

Avon LOC AGM  
Treasurer's Report  
24/03/2025

I continued the treasurer's role from January 2024 to today.

My remit was to manage the incomes and expenses of the Avon LOC.  
The figures in the accounts cover activity for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

Avon LOC income for the period was £41,382.74, this was mostly from the statutory levy. The statutory levy is deducted by NHS England as a percentage from the NHS GOS sight test fee prior to payment to GOS contractors. The Avon LOC proportion of the statutory levy remained at 0.6%. Avon LOC will actively monitor its financial surplus and reduce its proportion of the statutory levy when the level of surplus is judged to be appropriate.

The proportion of statutory levy paid to continue our membership of LOCSU (LOC Support Unit) remained at 0.5%.

Expenditure by Avon LOC was £31,053.82 which was a little less than the previous year.

Compared to last year:

There was no paid attendance at National Optical Conference as The National Optical Conference wasn't held in 2024. In its place there were Regional Optical Conferences funded by LOCSU.

Expenditure on our comms (website fees etc) was similar, we continued our inclusive way of working through Microsoft Teams.

Recorded expenditure on CET was minimal as the CET we provided formed part of our AGM, the cost of which was offset by sponsorship.

LOC work was carried out by individual committee members and our administration secretary Carolyn Hudd. Support from LOCSU (LOC Support Unit) was provided as part of our continued LOCSU membership.

The hourly rate for committee work remained at £80.00 per hour.

Committee member attendance at LOC committee meetings was funded which is in line with the practices of other LOCs in England.

In my view the time costs paid to committee members in the last year were an accurate reflection of the work undertaken.

I would like to thank Carl Becker Hughes for independently examining the LOC accounts.

I am happy to answer any questions you have either now or at any time throughout the year. I can be contacted by email at [andrewp@avonloc.co.uk](mailto:andrewp@avonloc.co.uk)

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