

Uckfield Millennium Green Charitable Trust
Registered Charity 1069936

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2022

The aims of the Trust are to hold the freehold land of Uckfield Millennium Green at New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield and the land to be held in perpetuity for the people of Uckfield and District.

The trustees during the year ended 31st December 2022 were:

Michael J Harker – Chairman
Anne Parker
Joe W Conway
Nicola Walsh – Treasurer

Dorothy M Sparks - Secretary
Nigel P Williams
Carol Sweetland

The Trust is a voluntary group holding and managing the Uckfield Millennium Green. The land, including the area previously used for the extraction of clay by the local brick and tile industry, is managed for wildlife and people. The network of paths ensures that the public can benefit from access to all parts of the Green.

Financial Review

The Trust is supported by local people through a Friends scheme and seeks funding from local authorities and charitable trusts. The work of the Trust is also supported practically by volunteers and without this help the cost of managing the Green would be considerably higher.

The large number of new housing developments in Uckfield means that the Trust has to be vigilant and seek to mitigate any direct or indirect impact on the Green from new building. In 2022 a large option payment was received from a company seeking to build a development on Eastbourne Road to secure their right to run a storm water drain along Shipreed Lane.

The ownership of the Green and the commitment to manage it for wildlife and people mean that it is necessary for the trust to hold an appropriate level of reserves. In view of this long term commitment and uncertainty over future income the Trust is setting aside most of the additional funds received this year as a long term investment.

Solicitors

Rix & Kay
The Courtyard
River Way, Uckfield

Bankers

National Westminster Bank Plc
High Street, Uckfield

Examining Accountant

Andrew Ledward FCA DChA

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' Report.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

M.J. Harker Chair

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Uckfield Millennium Green Charitable Trust, Registered Charity Number 1069936

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Dated: 18th May 2023

Andrew Ledward
Chartered Accountant
47 Roman Way
Uckfield
East Sussex
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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended 31 December 2022

2021		2022
	Incoming resources	
627	Friends Subscriptions	547
5,000	Option payment received	81,980
-	- Donations	253
-	- Fundraising events	165
8	Wayleave	8
158	Gift Aid Tax Relief	120
1	Interest received	61
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5,794		83,134
	Resources expended	
	Charitable activities	
4,015	Site maintenance	1,360
616	Insurance	616
54	Room hire for meetings	36
25	Advertising and promotional material	-
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4,710		2,012
1,084	Net income	81,122
	Transfer to Investment Fund	78,000
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<u>1,084</u>	Net movement in funds	<u>3,122</u>

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

2021		2022
	Fixed Assets	
23,000	Freehold land	23,000
	Current Assets	
257	Tax refund due	-
7,207	Cash at bank - Current account	88,586
616	Insurance prepaid	616
<u>6,300</u>	Charity Official Investment Fund	<u>6,300</u>
14,380		95,502
-	Less Creditors	-
<u>14,380</u>		<u>95,502</u>
<u>37,380</u>		<u>118,502</u>
	Unrestricted Fund	
31,899	Opening balance	32,983
<u>1,084</u>	Result for the year	<u>3,122</u>
32,983		36,105
	Designated Investment Fund	
-	Transfer in the year	78,000
	Special Restricted fund	
	New Pathway through the quarry	
	Legacy R. Gordon Thomas	
<u>4,397</u>	deceased	<u>4,397</u>
<u>37,380</u>		<u>118,502</u>

N Walsh Treasurer on behalf of the Trustees

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022

Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the notes to the accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Charities Act 2011. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

Grants and Donations

2021		2022
	Donations received	
-	Other	253.00
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-		253.00
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Designated Investment Fund

£81,890 was received during the year from an agreement granting a wayleave.

The trustees have designated £78,000 of these proceeds as an investment fund to provide a regular source of income for the Millennium Green. The use of the fund is not restricted and so it could be used by the trustees if needed to deal with unforeseen events.