

FOREST ROW COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1120133

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2007-07-18

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: 1 TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE AREA OF BENEFIT WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, NATIONALITY, AGE, DISABILITY, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID INHABITANTS AND THE STATUTORY AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION PARTICULARLY FOR THOSE WHO, BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABLEMENT, POVERTY OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES, HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS;2 TO ESTABLISH, OR TO SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT, OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE THE SAME (WHETHER ALONE OR IN CO-OPERATION WITH ANY STATUTORY AUTHORITY OR OTHER PERSON OR BODY) IN FURTHERANCE OF THE ABOVE OBJECTS;3 TO PROMOTE SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE DETERMINED.THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE NON-PARTY IN POLITICS AND NON-SECTARIAN IN RELIGION. THE AREA OF BENEFIT SHALL BE COLLIER ROW AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD.

Activities: To provide training and workshops for the local community and accommodation for local user groups including dance, mother and toddler, karate and fitness

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** COLLIER ROW
- Essex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£106,834	£105,249	-	-
2024-03-31	£124,325	£135,154	-	-
2023-03-31	£128,494	£127,158	-	-
2022-03-31	£125,903	£128,068	-	-
2021-03-31	£81,622	£93,556	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JOHN STANFIELD		2012-02-02
Jeremy Quy		2026-01-29
LISA LEE		2025-12-04
Mark David Lee		2025-12-03
PETER KENNETH TAYLOR		

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FOREST ROW CENTRE

Lodge Lane
Collier row
RM52LD
01708 766652
4/12/23

Trustees report

The year up to march 2023 has been financially very Demanding, with utility bills reaching record levels. But we have Managed to expand our services to the local community with Our preschool and early years services going from strength to strength

Sports such as karate and football along with pilates and keep Fit have been exceptionally busy ,music and dance are part of our Core activities

The local Romanian community have put on an event along With many of our local community groups

We are hopeful of expanding our activities as we progress Through the year

Peter Taylor/trustee



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ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

YEAR ENDED: 31 March 2023

The attached Income and Expenditure account showing net Income/(Expenditure) of £1,336 and Balance Sheet have been prepared, without carrying out an audit, from the books, vouchers, information and explanations given to me.

Alison Yard

Alison Yard
CHADWELL PAYROLL

15 Electric Parade
Seven Kings Road
Ilford
Essex IG3 8BY

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1	Month 4	Year 2021		Day 31	Month 03	Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Forest Row Centre		
Other names charity is known by	The Forest Row Community Association		
Registered charity number (if any)	1120133		
Charity's principal address	The Forest Row Centre		
	241 Lodge Lane		
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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Peter Taylor			
2	Sharon Lee			
3	John Stanfield			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Peter Taylor	
Sharon Lee	
John Stanfield	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the Committee

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To promote the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction.
To provide facilities for recreational and educational needs.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The charity provides meeting rooms, halls, multi-use games area and football pitches for various leisure activities including dance, judo, and fitness.

The centre is also a centre of excellence for Essex County Football Association who provide coaching courses, first aid and safeguarding.

We also have a OFSTED regulated preschool.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This year another a very difficult year for the Forest Row Centre, trying to recover from post lockdown financial issues.

Some grants were received but the grants we secured barely covered our rent, and so our reserves were unfortunately depleted more.

We were also challenged by maintenance of our heating system, which required significant funding.

In addition we were surprised with the need to replace roller shutters, which we discovered were installed into the building by our landlord the London Borough of Havering during the build, without complying to regulations, but because of the terms of the lease we were responsible for that cost – despite trying to argue for some financial assistance.

This took over £10k out of our budget for the year.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We would normally hold a reserve of £15,000 to enable any necessary business repairs. However due to the losses during the pandemic we were unable to do this.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F


Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Tina Hill	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Ex-Chair (Advisor)	
Date	23/1/23	

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This year was a very difficult year for the Forest Row Centre, as with many other Charities.

We were closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and staff furloughed.

It was a year spent applying for grants, and the grants we secured barely covered our rent, and so our reserves were unfortunately depleted.

We managed to reduce costs where we could, but extra costs were incurred in signage, cleaning and PPE.

Due to furlough we managed to retain our two caretakers.

We look forward to a time where we can once more invite our full functions back and believe our committee did everything they could this year to keep the Centre from closing.

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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	31/1/22	

