

FRIENDS OF THE RIVER CRANE ENVIRONMENT

England & Wales · Charity number 1155971

Details

Other names FORCE

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [08383410](#)

Registered 2014-02-28

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

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Activities

Objects: 1.TO OPERATE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC, AND WITH OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES, TO PROTECT AND ENHANCE THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE RIVER CRANE, THE DUKE OF NORTHUMBERLAND'S RIVER, THEIR CORRIDORS AND SURROUNDING OPEN SPACES WITHIN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF RICHMOND UPON THAMES AND ITS ENVIRONS, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ECO-SYSTEM, RESIDENTS AND VISITORS.2.TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE ECOLOGY, CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE RIVER CRANE, THE DUKE OF NORTHUMBERLAND'S RIVER, THEIR CORRIDORS AND SURROUNDING OPEN SPACES WITHIN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF RICHMOND UPON THAMES AND ITS ENVIRONS.

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IMPROVEMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE RIVER CRANE

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hounslow
- Richmond Upon Thames

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£78,207	£69,517	-	-
2024-03-31	£4,647	£6,668	-	-
2023-03-31	£7,400	£6,440	-	-
2022-03-31	£12,822	£20,457	-	-
2021-03-31	£19,372	£10,609	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALAN JOHN CHARLES		2017-09-20
ALISON CLAIRE HORWOOD		2017-09-20
Catherine Mary Wyatt		2020-12-02
Jane Marguerite Satchwell		2015-01-01
Joe Pecorelli		2015-01-01
ROB GRAY		2014-01-07
Sharon Denise Young		2021-09-16

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Accounts

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

Registered Company Number 08383410
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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2025

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

The Trustees, who are also directors of the Charity, present their report with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2025. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011; the Companies Act 2006; the Articles of Association, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities; and the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company Number

08383410

Registered Charity Number

1155971

Registered Office

C/o Habitats & Heritage
East Twickenham Neighbourhood Association Community Centre
13 Rosslyn Road
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Directors / Trustees

Alan Charles
Robert Gray
Brett Haakenson (resigned 2nd October 2024)
Alison Horwood
Joe Pecorelli
Jane Satchwell
Catherine Wyatt, Company Secretary
Sharon Young, Treasurer

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document and commencement

Friends of the River Crane Environment (“FORCE” or “the Company”) is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity governed by its Articles of Association. The Company (Number 08383410) was registered on 31st January 2013 and became a registered charity (Number 1155971) on 28th February 2014. It was set up to continue the work of FORCE (Charity Number 1108542) with identical aims, which was an unincorporated association, set up on 15th September 2003.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustee Board is made up of a minimum of four trustees and is not subject to any maximum. As at 31st March 2025 there were seven (2024: eight) trustees. It is a requirement of the Articles of Association that the longest standing third of trustees stand down and can be re-elected each time an Annual General Meeting is held. As a result, trustees are subject to re-election once every three years.

New trustees can be appointed by members at a General Meeting, or at any time by a resolution of the Trustees, but they must stand for election at the next Annual General Meeting. FORCE encourages prospective trustees to be co-opted to the Board in an unofficial capacity, until the date of the next Annual General Meeting, when they can stand for election as a trustee. FORCE employs various recruitment methods for trustees, including advertising for candidates via a quarterly newsletter, and using local environmental and voluntary sector networks.

Induction and training of new trustees

Prospective and new trustees undergo an induction process to brief them on their legal obligations under charity and company law, the contents of the Articles of Association, Annual Review and business plans, FORCE’s decision-making processes, and its financial performance including the most recent financial statements. The Chair and Trustees act as a source of information and guidance including referral to existing policies and procedures. During this induction, new trustees also meet volunteers and existing trustees of FORCE.

Organisational structure

The Trustee Board governs FORCE and has adopted an organisational structure formed around its activities. These are either Corporate, supporting the entire organisation; or Executive, implementing portfolio strategies.

Corporate functions have been assigned to the following roles: Chair, Treasurer, Company Secretary and Legal (previously filled for specific purposes by Dentons LLP on a pro bono basis; currently unfilled and not prioritised for recruitment).

Executive functions are assigned to six portfolios as follows:

- Nature
- Volunteering
- Planning
- Partnerships
- Membership
- Communications

A five-year strategy was produced in 2021 for each of the six portfolio areas above, alongside a separate overall strategy spanning the period 2021-26. These built on the work of the previous five-year strategies for 2016-21. The "Partnerships" portfolio was added in 2021 and the Communities and Education portfolio was removed (see also below).

Each portfolio has a small sub-group, led by a Trustee, and including one or more other Trustees and/or members. These groups lead on the management of allocated projects, with associated fundraising and reporting, identifying and working with stakeholders and partners, and monitoring and reporting on the environmental and community benefits pertaining to that strategy.

Progress on the six portfolio strategies is reviewed monthly by the Trustee Board. Decisions which commit FORCE to an activity, relationship or public position are brought to the Trustee Board for discussion and decision. The strategies themselves are subject to annual review and update by the Board. Each strategy reports to members annually at the AGM and through the annual report to members.

Gary Backler stood down as Chair of FORCE in March 2024. Trustees have been looking for a new Chair since April 2023 when Gary announced his intention. This search has not been successful to date and the Trustees agreed to operate with a rotating Chair for monthly Trustee meetings during this interim period. Whilst this system is permitted by our governance and working reasonably well the Trustees still have finding a suitable new Chair as a priority for the organisation.

Related Parties

The Trustees confirm that there were no transactions with related parties during the period.

Risk Management

Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which FORCE is exposed, and to ensure appropriate controls are in place, to provide reasonable assurance against fraud or error.

The Trustees' strategy is to review the risks that FORCE faces on a regular basis and to integrate risk into the strategic and business planning process. Additionally, portfolio holders have a responsibility to identify, review and report risk relating to their portfolio to the Board. The overarching FORCE strategy and each portfolio strategy include a risk assessment which is reviewed annually by the Board and updated. Unforeseen risks are raised at Trustees' monthly meetings, and appropriate mitigation strategies agreed there.

Examples of risk mitigation include:

- Lampton360 of Hounslow Borough Council request a view of the FORCE risk assessments for any Walks and Talks or volunteer days held on Hounslow land.
- A risk long identified of the security and longevity of managing members' renewals has been satisfactorily mitigated.
- An industry standard platform to manage membership applications and renewals has been implemented with great success.

Notably, a significant risk remains the lack of trustee time, given that all are volunteers, to execute all the roles and tasks related to FORCE's organisational set-up and activities. Portfolio holders have identified resource shortfalls and identified support roles to address these. A recruitment programme has been in place for the last year and there are several prospective trustees in co-opted status at the moment. Not all roles have been filled to date and recruitment is still on-going including for the Chair.

FORCE has a suite of policies and procedures to provide guidelines and structure for the activities and conduct, including risk assessment and management to comply with the Charity Commission's recommendations. These are reviewed and updated, enabling organisational risks to be further mitigated. Risk is a standing item on the monthly Trustee Board agenda. A risk assessment is produced for each activity day, be it a Volunteer Day, a Walk & Talk or other educational event. These are dynamic and reflect specific events and changes in circumstances.

Trustees agree to conduct themselves in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Company, including in relation to conflicts of interest and loyalty. The Charity maintains a register of Trustees' interests and new interests are reported as a standing item on the agenda for Trustees' monthly meetings.

PARTNERSHIPS

As a small and volunteer led organisation FORCE relies on relationships with many partners to deliver on its Objects.

Crane Valley Partnership and Crane Valley CIC

FORCE has been a member and keen supporter of the Crane Valley Partnership (CVP) since its foundation in 2005. CVP includes all five landowning boroughs in the Crane catchment alongside Heathrow, The Environment Agency, Thames Water and FORCE plus other third-sector and community-based groups. CVP has been a key partner in the delivery of major projects along the Crane valley over the last twenty years.

Crane Valley CIC (CVCIC) was officially registered as a Company and CIC on 1st April 2021, on the same date as it took over the hosting of the Crane Valley Partnership. Crane Valley CIC is set up to represent the interests of communities throughout the Crane Valley. The CIC is currently helping to deliver a major programme of work, known as the Smarter Water Catchment programme, alongside Thames Water and other partners.

CVCIC is an independent organisation with no structural links to FORCE. Nevertheless, there are strong working ties between the two organisations and CVCIC is set up to provide a similar level of service to FORCE at a catchment-wide level. This development further emphasises the value of partnership working for FORCE. Rob Gray, founding Chair of FORCE and Partnerships portfolio lead trustee, is also Chair of the Crane Valley CIC. This further facilitates the development of partnership working with the CIC, the wider Partnership and other prospective partners.

Other Partners

FORCE engages with a number of local, regional and national bodies to help deliver its Objects. As a small and volunteer-led organisation, FORCE often works in a supporting role to larger organisations, better able to deliver actions on the ground. In this role FORCE often provides advisory services, supports proposals and guides project delivery, to deliver effective improvements to the Crane Valley in line with its Objects.

FORCE works closely with the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames ('LB Richmond') and the London Borough of Hounslow ('LB Hounslow'), as the two main landowners within its key area of interest in the lower Crane Valley. FORCE obtains permissions for projects it carries out, and works alongside the two boroughs on larger projects that help to meet its Objects.

FORCE has supported the delivery, through the Crane Valley Partnership (CVP), of major improvement works including (over the last five years) a major project to enhance the environment and access to the lower Duke of Northumberland's River and a major river restoration project for the lower Crane.

In April 2020 CVP started work on the Smarter Water Catchment programme with Thames Water. This ten-year programme of work invested £3m in improvements along the Crane Valley over the first five years with a further £20m identified by partners. The programme is delivering enhancements at a catchment level across its five key themes – water quality; geomorphology; biodiversity; flooding and community. FORCE has input to these themes – including supporting the release of water voles to the lower Crane catchment in 2024, the ongoing delivery of the Citizen Crane programme and enhancements to Little Park, Crane Park and Pevensey Nature Reserve.

FORCE works closely with other third-sector organisations such as Habitats & Heritage, The Conservation Volunteers ('TCV'), Let's Go Outside and Learn (LGOAL) and the Zoological Society of London ('ZSL'), to deliver its Objects more effectively.

OBJECTS, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Objects

Friends of the River Crane Environment was set up with the following Objects:

1. To operate for the benefit of the public, and with other interested parties, to protect and enhance the environment of the River Crane, the Duke of Northumberland's River, their corridors and surrounding open spaces within the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames and its environs, for the benefit of the ecosystem, residents and visitors.
2. To advance the education of the public in the ecology, conservation, protection and improvement of the environment of the River Crane, the Duke of Northumberland's River, their corridors and surrounding open spaces within the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames and its environs.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and that the activities carried out by FORCE during the year were undertaken to further FORCE's Objects. A detailed explanation is shown below under Activities, Achievements and Performance.

Activities, achievements and performance

1. Protection of the environment

The following activities were carried out in the year to 31 March 2025 to fulfil the objective of protecting the environment of the River Crane, its corridors and surrounding open spaces:

- Ongoing negotiation and discussion with LB Richmond and LB Hounslow councils, and various other parties (including private landowners and developers), regarding management of the Crane Valley
- FORCE helped to produce a detailed Lower Crane Valley Management Plan with LB Richmond and this is being used to guide all the environmental enhancements and maintenance

requirements in this part of the Crane valley. FORCE is supporting the delivery of this programme

- FORCE tracked all major planning applications along the lower Crane Valley and has been actively involved in negotiating environmental and community benefits on a number of key sites. In the last year FORCE was involved in the following major planning developments: (a) in LB Richmond: Richmond College, the former Greggs Bakery site, Kneller Hall and the Teddington Direct River Abstraction scheme; and (b) in LB Hounslow: the West of Borough Local Plan, BA Cranebank site and Central Park Estate
- The approach is the same for all river corridor related sites – seeking net benefits to the environment and community from any development. In each of the cases above the negotiation, planning or development process is ongoing, incremental improvements on the ground have been achieved, and FORCE remains hopeful that all promised benefits will be delivered
- FORCE works to protect and improve the water quality and flow of the River Crane through discussions with Heathrow Airport Ltd, Environment Agency and Thames Water Plc; as well as through a regular monthly programme of monitoring undertaken by the citizen scientists working on the Citizen Crane project, alongside many partners including ZSL, Frog Environmental and others
- FORCE continues to monitor and remove litter from riverside spaces along the River Crane, collating and analysing the litter statistics, and using this information to target and improve key problem areas. We are in the ninth year of this programme and believe it shows that litter removal, and the associated promotion of pro-social behaviour, is having the effect of reducing litter production, particularly in the most popular parts of the lower Crane. We have issued 35 free litter pickers to volunteers, and 19 to Duke of Edinburgh students, to encourage litter removal by the wider community
- We have continued our programme of usage surveys begun in 2012. Our survey data were instrumental in showing the success of the new riverside pathway linking Twickenham Station with Moormead Park (which finally opened this year following many years of work by FORCE and others) and recording the continuing success of the public pathway opened through Twickenham Junction Rough in 2018.

2. Enhancing the environment

We ran nine volunteer days this year and these helped to deliver ongoing maintenance and enhancement to key parts of the lower Crane Valley.

We now have 24 FORCE carved benches installed along the Crane Valley. We undertake a regular maintenance programme every summer to care for these. FORCE secured funding from the Bupa Foundation Green Community Grants programme to create a new set of self-guided family walks focusing on the carved benches. Visitors can scan QR codes which have been attached to the wooden benches to learn more about the carvings and see if they can answer some questions about what they can see and hear whilst they are there.

The following activities were carried out in the year to 31 March 2025 to fulfil the objective of enhancing the environment of the River Crane, its corridors and surrounding open spaces:

- Our 9 volunteer days along the River Crane corridor provided new and enhanced wildlife habitat and improvement of open spaces for local people. This programme of work took place at 9 locations and included 1,260 (2024: 1,296) hours of FORCE volunteer time by 254 (202: 216) volunteers. This also included an annual programme of bench maintenance. and managing Nil (2024: 12) DofE bronze award students

- FORCE helped to install three new kingfisher nesting banks along the River Crane in Crane Park using a grant from the Crane Valley Community Fund
- Continued to support the opening up, and environmental enhancement, of public open spaces with LB Richmond and LB Hounslow as the landowners
- FORCE has continued to work with partners including LB Richmond, LB Hounslow, ZSL and others to enhance the habitat for water voles. In the summer of 2024 we helped to release 137 water voles in to these open spaces. We have continued to work with many partners to record the numbers and locations of water voles in Crane park and adjacent areas
- FORCE also worked with these partners to help monitor for mink – which are the major predator for water voles. This monitoring work has expanded in recent years as we linked to a major regional programme being managed by Water Recovery Trust and ZSL and covering all of Greater London
- FORCE worked closely with TCV and the local authorities to design regular (typically weekly) volunteer activities that help to enhance further habitats – including river restoration; and the improved management of meadows, hedges and woodland
- FORCE continued to support the delivery of the Biodiversity Action Plan by LB Richmond and last year joined the LB Hounslow Nature Recovery Action Plan board
- FORCE continued working with Thames Water, through the Crane Valley Partnership, on the “Smarter Water Catchments programme”. This makes the River Crane the UK’s first urban smarter catchment and invested over £3m in improvements to the river corridor to March 2025. The programme has also identified a further £20m of investment in the key theme areas.

3. Engagement with the public

The following activities were carried out in the year to 31 March 2025 to fulfil the objective of advancing the education of the public in the ecology, conservation, protection and improvement of the environment of the River Crane, the Duke of Northumberland's River, their corridors and surrounding open spaces:

- By 31st March 2025 FORCE membership was 713. This represents a decrease in membership of 4.76% from 747 in 2024. We are still seeing the slowing of new members and less memberships renewing associated with the cost of living crisis in the country resulting from some people having to take stock of their outgoings and having to eliminate all non-essential spending
- Four Quarterly newsletters were produced and distributed to FORCE members
- The FORCE website is regularly updated with new information and all FORCE reports and submissions are posted online
- FORCE continued with regular social media activity on its three main social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram) and engagement with the public across all platforms continued to be high. This year we also set up platforms on Bluesky and Tik Tok. These platforms had a total of 6705 followers by the end of the year
- Ten walks were presented from April 2024 to March 2025. The topics covered nature for bats, bird, fungi and, most interestingly, some unique locale reptiles in House Heath. Longer walks both upstream and downstream of the River Crane and the Duke of Northumberland River broadened the walk base for all audiences. 177 people attended these events overall. Walks were targeted to promote other nature organisations e.g. Big Butterfly Count & London Rivers Week.
- FORCE attended the Rotary Fair, a community event in Twickenham, to raise awareness of the Crane Valley and the work that has been undertaken by FORCE to enhance this area.

4. Projects

- The Citizen Crane project is an initiative by FORCE, in partnership with ZSL and Frog Environmental, which started with a feasibility study in 2013. Around 100 citizen science volunteers have been trained and deployed to undertake monthly sampling (from May 2014), at sixteen sites along the river catchment to measure the ecological and chemical quality of the river in time and space. The overall purpose is to better understand the character of the river system and how this is influenced by factors such as geomorphology and pollution inputs. These data have been used to re-align and optimise the approaches of Thames Water and the Environment Agency to investigating and reducing pollution impacts along the river. Eleven years data have been gathered and this has provided an invaluable baseline for work being delivered to reduce pollution issues and enhance the river ecosystem through the Smarter Water Catchment programme. This work is ongoing and improvements are starting to be seen in the river condition sufficient that the Environment Agency and other partners recognise the River Crane as being one of the few river systems in the UK which currently has the potential to reach Good Ecological Status
- In 2024 FORCE ran a major public engagement campaign about misconnections alongside the Clean Up River Brent group and following the discovery that seven blocks of flats were discharging all their waste water in to the Crane and Brent catchments. This campaign has started to change the approach of key organisations to the misconnection problem as well as raise considerable publicity with stakeholders and the wider public
- FORCE helped to set up the Lower Crane Restoration programme in 2014 and this has been working to enhance the condition of the concrete lined Lower Crane channel. In 2022 a pilot scheme was installed at the Rifle Club site in Twickenham and FORCE has helped to monitor the beneficial effects of this site. Several other site opportunities are at various stages of development over the year. We have also continued to support investigations at the new tidal creek at Northcote Nature Reserve in LB Hounslow
- FORCE is supporting LB Hounslow and other partners to enhance the linkages through the Hounslow parts of the Crane Valley. A major improvement was delivered in 2024/25 with the enhancement of the pathway through Feltham Marshalling Yards and a part of Brazil Mill Wood

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

Total funding in the year was £78,207 (2024: £4,647). Of this total £7,407 (2024: £4,647), was from membership subscriptions, donations and gift-aid. FORCE also received grant income relating to specific projects in accordance with its Objects to the total of £70,800 (2024: £Nil). The Trustees are very grateful to FORCE members and grant funding organisations for their generosity and support.

FORCE trustees invested about 2,500 (2024: 2,595) expert volunteer hours in developing and delivering projects across the six portfolios. This equates to about £80,000 (2024: £84,500) gift in kind, some of which is used as match funding. This is in addition to the 800 (2024: 800) hours trustees spent on governance and directorship. There was a further investment from FORCE volunteers of over 1,260 (2024: 750) hours on practical work days and other support activities. These hours do not include volunteer activities provided through our partner organisations.

FORCE is a small community-based charity with no paid staff. This model depends on volunteers to deliver benefits through partnership working, often with larger charities or landowners. FORCE estimates that the total investment this year from projects managed in partnership with others, in line with its Objects, to which FORCE has made a significant contribution, was around £500,000.

An Enforcement Undertaking is an agreement between a water company and the Environment Agency (EA) as regulator to pay funds to a third party to enhance the condition of the riverine environment as an alternative to prosecution. In 2017, Thames Water (TW) approached FORCE to see if we would be willing to accept the funds from an Enforcement Undertaking they were negotiating with the Environment Agency (known as the Kimbers Close and Childrey Brook EU). FORCE agreed to this in principle and the details were agreed in 2018 with the funds to be invested in the lower Crane around the Mill Road part of Crane Park in association with LB Richmond. This Enforcement Undertaking process then took over six years to be completed – with agreement in principle between the EA and TW in 2024. Over the interim period FORCE worked closely with LB Richmond to develop the Lower Crane Valley Management Plan which sets out detailed plans for investments in this area – subject to future funding. LB Richmond are leading this as landowner and FORCE are part of the steering group alongside other key parties.

When we heard that the Enforcement Undertaking was about to be completed, we discussed and agreed with LB Richmond that they were better placed to hold and spend a large part of the funds with a balance retained by FORCE for funding that may not be as easily provided by LB Richmond (for example works in the adjacent borough). This approach was then agreed with TW. The accounts for 2024-25 show the transfer of £70,000 into the FORCE accounts as the total Enforcement Undertaking amount and a further transfer of £60,000 out of the accounts to LB Richmond as the major portion of the fund.

Reserves Policy

The Company's reserves policy is that unrestricted reserves should be at least equal to nine months estimated unrestricted expenditure plus working capital – this policy is met in the year ended 31 March 2025. The working capital is required to cover, for example, any timing mismatches between expenditure on projects and the receipt of funding.

Funds in deficit

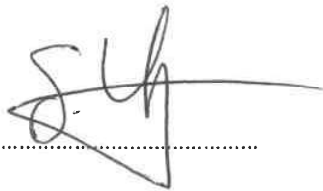
There are no funds in deficit.

Investment policy and objectives

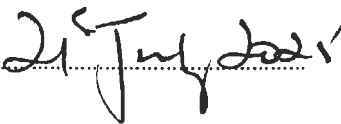
FORCE does not have significant funds to invest and funds above those needed to deal with day to day transactions are kept on bank deposit.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Signed 

Trustee

Dated 

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of FRIENDS OF THE RIVER CRANE ENVIRONMENT

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025 which are set out on pages 13 to 17.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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: 

David Golton LL.B. FCA
Chartered Accountant

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15 Lion Road
Twickenham TW1 4JH

Dated: *11th September 2025*

**Statement of Financial
Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March
2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies		3,878	-	3,878	943
Charitable Activities	2	-	70,800	70,800	-
Other	3	3,529	-	3,529	3,704
TOTAL INCOME		7,407	70,800	78,207	4,647
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities		6,956	62,000	68,956	6,131
Other		561	-	561	537
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		7,517	62,000	69,517	6,668
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE		(110)	8,800	8,690	(2,021)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(110)	8,800	8,690	(2,021)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		20,199	-	20,199	22,220
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		20,089	8,800	28,889	20,199

Balance Sheet

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets		NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	759	-	759	1,457
Cash at Bank		19,830	8,800	28,630	19,242
		<u>20,589</u>	<u>8,800</u>	<u>29,389</u>	<u>20,699</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	500	-	500	500
		<u>20,089</u>	<u>8,800</u>	<u>28,889</u>	<u>20,199</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>20,089</u>	<u>8,800</u>	<u>28,889</u>	<u>20,199</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>20,089</u>	<u>8,800</u>	<u>28,889</u>	<u>20,199</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds	7			20,089	
Restricted Funds				8,800	
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>28,889</u>	

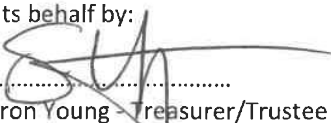
The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st March 2025.

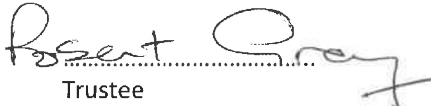
The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 21st July 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

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 Sharon Young - Treasurer/Trustee

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 Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st March 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015) and the Companies Act 2006. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Income

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the Charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

The company owns no fixed assets.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity.

Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for restricted purposes.

	2025	2024
2 INCOMING FUNDS		
Grants	70,800	-
3 OTHER		
Management Fees	100	-
Subscriptions	2,583	2,939
Gift aid	846	765
	3,529	3,704
4 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS		
No Trustees were paid expenses during the year.	-	-

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st March 2025 - Continued

5 DEBTORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Other debtors	759	1,457
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6 CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Other creditors	500	500
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7 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	as at 01 April 2024 £	Net Movement in Funds £	as at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted Funds			
General Funds	20,199	(110)	20,089
Restricted Funds			
Crane Valley Community Fund	2,000	(2,000)	-
Thames Water RCEU	67,000	(60,000)	7,000
Groundwork London (Bupa Foundation)	1,800	-	1,800
	70,800	(60,000)	8,000
Total	90,999	(62,110)	28,889

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows

	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfer Between Funds	Movement in Funds
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	7,407	7,517	-	(110)
Restricted Funds				
Crane Valley Community Fund	2,000	2,000	-	-
Thames Water RCEU	67,000	60,000	-	7,000
Groundwork London (Bupa Foundation)	1,800	-	-	1,800
Total	78,207	69,517	-	8,690

**Detailed Statement of Financial
Activities**

for the year end 31/03/25

Income and Expenditure Account

			2025	2024
			£	£
INCOME FROM:				
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
Donations and legacies	3,878	-	3,878	943
Grants	-	70,800	70,800	-
Subscriptions	2,583	-	2,583	2,939
Gift aid	846	-	846	765
Management Fees	100	-	100	-
TOTAL INCOME	7,407	70,800	78,207	4,647
EXPENDITURE ON:				
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
Charitable activities				
Grants		60,000	60,000	-
Insurance	159	-	159	154
Materials	1,733	-	1,733	532
Postage	-	-	-	75
Bookkeeping	1,440	-	1,440	1,440
Services	2,842	2,000	4,842	3,523
Admin	782	-	782	482
	6,956	62,000	68,975	6,131
Other				
Governance & Independent Exam	484	-	484	463
Bank Charges & PayPal Fees	77	-	77	74
TOTAL EXPENSES	7,517	62,000	69,517	6,668
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE	(110)	8,800	8,690	(2,021)