

FRIENDS OF BOWLING PARK

England & Wales · Charity number 1156565

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2014-04-08

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF BRADFORD, TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION AND OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE INHABITANTS OF THE AREA OF BENEFIT IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY THE PRESERVATION, PROMOTION, SUPPORT, ASSISTANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF BOWLING PARK.

Activities: A group of enthusiastic volunteers who love the wonderful green open spaces of Bowling Park situated in Bradford, West Yorkshire. We want to see the park improved, its heritage protected and its place valued in the local community. We put on community events, run weekly activities, help maintain the park and raise funds for use in the park.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Bradford City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£508	£4,848	-	-
2023-12-31	£14	£1,104	-	-
2022-12-31	£242	£2,306	-	-
2021-12-31	£890	£5,037	-	-
2020-12-31	£7,618	£5,962	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
GEORGINA TAYLOR		2023-10-09
Hannah de Villiers		2025-06-19
IAN SLATTERY		2023-10-09
Scott Hinsley		2018-10-01
Vincent James Blackwell		2025-06-19

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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2024

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
David Brickman	Chair	
Scott Hinsley	Secretary	
Ian Slattery		
Georgina Taylor		
Hannah de Villiers		Appointed 19 June 2025
Vincent Blackwell		Appointed 19 June 2025
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Structure, governance and management

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Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

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Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

The Friends of Bowling Park (FOBP) have had another year of successfully operating a schedule of regular events and activities. The monthly litter pick has changed its gathering venue to accommodate refreshments and the weekly walking group makes use of the same cabin space after walking to extend their social time. Many of our volunteers support Parkrun every Saturday morning and have a reputation for having a friendly and welcoming team. We continued to partner with The Lodge Cafe and our volunteers have supported by maintaining the flower beds and pots in the outdoor seating area. In the Summer we hosted a networking event for local groups and organisations to highlight their work in the community. The event attracted park users and the local community who were able to take part in some fun activities and pick up information about services in the park and surrounding area. During the later part of the year we were involved in exciting conversations about Bradford 2025, UK City of Culture and the impact of a touring venue coming to Bowling Park, for a month in May 2025. Our new website set up and managed by volunteers is now operational.

Financial review

The net payments for the year were £4,340, including net payments of £4,340 on unrestricted funds and net receipts of £0 on restricted funds.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, at the year end were £5,073.

No formal policy has been approved although the trustees work on an informal principle of at least 3 months running costs at any time. Based on projections for the next 12 months the Board accepts that the current level of reserves at 31 December 2024 still exceeds this target. As a result, the Board have a plan to continue using this level of reserves in principle, but will start to explore further avenues of income generation/funding available in 2025.

Approved by the board of trustees on 6/10/2025

Georgina Taylor (Trustee)

Friends of Bowling Park
Receipts and payments account
for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Receipts					
Grants and donations	(2)	208	300	508	14
Total receipts		<u>208</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>14</u>
Payments					
Rent		280	-	280	-
Event and activity expenses		1,160	300	1,460	123
Park equipment		1,500	-	1,500	-
Insurance		255	-	255	197
Printing and stationery		50	-	50	-
Water rates		1,028	-	1,028	444
Accountancy		240	-	240	240
Sundry expenses		35	-	35	-
HMRC penalty fees		-	-	-	100
Total payments		<u>4,548</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>4,848</u>	<u>1,104</u>
Net receipts / (payments)		<u>(4,340)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,340)</u>	<u>(1,090)</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>9,413</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,413</u>	<u>10,503</u>
Fund balances carried forward	(3)	<u>5,073</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,073</u>	<u>9,413</u>

Friends of Bowling Park
Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31 December 2024

	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cash funds				
Cash at bank	5,052	-	5,052	9,376
Cash in hand	21	-	21	37
Total cash funds	<u>5,073</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,073</u>	<u>9,413</u>

Debtors and prepayments

	2024
	£
Prepayments	<u>191</u>
	<u>191</u>

Liabilities

	2024
	£
Accruals	<u>282</u>
	<u>282</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 6/10/2025

Georgina Taylor (Trustee)

Friends of Bowling Park

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2024

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and have prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

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Notes to the accounts continued
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2 Grants and donations	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Bradford Metropolitan District Council (BMDC)	-	300	300	-
Donations	208	-	208	14
	<u>208</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>14</u>

3 Restricted funds	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
BMDC Community Chest	-	300	300	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
BMDC Community Chest	Towards the cost of summer community events.

4 Related party transactions

Donations from trustees and related parties

The total aggregate value of unconditional donations to the charity from the trustees or related parties was £208 (2023: £0).

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.

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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2023

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
David Brickman	Chair	
Anna Boocock		Resigned 9 October 2023
Shahid Islam		Resigned 9 October 2023
Scott Hinsley	Secretary	
Ian Slattery		Appointed 9 October 2023
Georgina Taylor		Appointed 9 October 2023
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Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

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Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular (eg the advancement of education).

Achievements and performance

FOBP have had another year in transition with some minor changes made to the management group and Board of trustees, with two new members joining in September. We successfully continued to operate our usual schedule of events in the Park including a monthly litter pick and weekly walking groups. Our volunteers continued to support the weekly Park Run which has re-established itself as a popular event after the disruption during the Pandemic. Further planting of Spring bulbs was undertaken in the Autumn period across the park. We continued to partner with the Lodge Café who provided space for our meetings this year. Our recently installed defibrillator continues to be managed by the group on behalf of the community, thankfully this has not had to be used this year.

Financial review

The net payments for the year were £1,090, all relating to unrestricted funds.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, at the year end were £9,413.

No formal policy has been approved although the trustees work on an informal principle of at least 3 months running costs at any time. Based on projections for the next 12 months (2024/25) the Board accepts that the current level of reserves at 31 December 2023 still exceeds this target. As a result the Board have a plan to utilise them over the next few years and no significant restricted funds will be sought in the meantime.

Approved by the board of trustees on 14/10/2024

David Brickman (Trustee)

Friends of Bowling Park
Receipts and payments account
for the year ended 31 December 2023

	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Receipts		
Donations	14	105
Event takings	-	137
Total receipts	<u>14</u>	<u>242</u>
Payments		
Office rent	-	200
Event and activity expenses	123	1,129
Insurance	197	151
Printing and stationery	-	30
Water rates	444	166
Accountancy	240	300
Sundry expenses	-	130
HMRC penalty fees	100	200
Total payments	<u>1,104</u>	<u>2,306</u>
Net receipts / (payments)	<u>(1,090)</u>	<u>(2,064)</u>
Fund balances brought forward	<u>10,503</u>	<u>12,567</u>
Fund balances carried forward	(3) <u>9,413</u>	<u>10,503</u>

Friends of Bowling Park
Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	Total	Total
	£	£
Cash funds		
Cash at bank	9,376	10,468
Cash in hand	37	35
Total cash funds	<u>9,413</u>	<u>10,503</u>

Debtors and prepayments	2023
	£
Prepayments - Insurance	113
	<u>113</u>

Liabilities	2023
	£
Accruals - Accountancy fee	240
	<u>240</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 14/10/2024

David Brickman (Trustee)

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2 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2022

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The charity's objects

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Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of environmental protection and improvement of Bowling Park and its local community.

Achievements and performance

The charity has continued its regular activities in and around bowling park including weekly walking groups and monthly litter picking events. The charity has supported other groups working in various projects in the park benefiting the local community. In particular Friends of Bowling Park (FoBP) have:

installed a defibrillator, purchased in late 2021, at The Lodge - the case is being maintained by FoBP volunteers. This is for use as needed by the community and emergency services; and

undertaken a large scale planting exercise across the park in the autumn with over 4,000 bulbs planted.

Financial review

The net payments for the year were £2,064, all relating to unrestricted funds.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, at the year end were £10,503.

No formal policy has been approved although the trustees work on an informal principle of at least 3 months running costs at any time. Based on projections for the next 12 months (2023/24) the Board accepts that the current level of reserves at 31 December 2022 still exceeds this target. As a result the Board have a plan to utilise them over the next few years and no significant restricted funds will be sought in the meantime.

Approved by the board of trustees on 28/9/2023

David Brickman (Trustee)

Friends of Bowling Park
Receipts and payments account
for the year ended 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
	funds	funds
	£	£
Receipts		
Donations	105	890
Event takings	137	-
Total receipts	<u>242</u>	<u>890</u>
Payments		
Hut purchases	-	1,465
Office rent	200	-
Event and activity expenses	1,129	1,494
Insurance	151	151
Printing and stationery	30	59
Trustee support	-	200
Water rates	166	238
Donations to other organisations	-	1,100
Accountancy	300	330
Sundry expenses	130	-
HMRC penalty fees	200	-
Total payments	<u>2,306</u>	<u>5,037</u>
Net movement in funds	<u>(2,064)</u>	<u>(4,147)</u>
Fund balances brought forward	<u>12,567</u>	<u>16,714</u>
Fund balances carried forward	<u>10,503</u>	<u>12,567</u>

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Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
	£	£
Cash funds		
Cash at bank	10,468	12,544
Cash in hand	35	23
Total cash funds	<u>10,503</u>	<u>12,567</u>

Prepayments	2022
	£
Prepayments - Insurance	113
	<u>113</u>

Liabilities	2022
	£
Accruals - Accountancy fee	240
	<u>240</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 28/9/2023

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2 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

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Public benefit statement

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Achievements and performance

The organisation has continued to slowly recover with its level of activities post-pandemic in 2021. Regular activities, as in previous years, included weekly and monthly litter picks in the Park, regular walking group sessions and partnering with E:merge for continued youth provision locally. Park Run continues to operate weekly from the Park with close partnerships with the Friends and other local organisations developed through volunteering.

There were two large scales community events:

1. a weekend of litter picking and clearance of rubbish from the woodland areas in the park in April; and
2. a planting event in November.

At the end of the year the Friends purchased and installed a defibrillator for emergency community use located at the Lodge café. A celebration event was held at the end of the year in recognition of 15 years of the group being in existence. A particularly thank you was given to some of the founder members and trustees who have given so much to the local community during that time.

Financial review

The net payments for the year were £4,147, including net payments of £1,020 on unrestricted funds and net payments of £3,127 on restricted funds.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £12,567.

No formal policy has been approved although the Board of trustees works on the informal principle of having at least three months running costs available at any time; which based on budgeted 2022/2023 expenditure equates to £1,463.

The trustees recognise the level of reserves at 31 December 2021 exceeds their target and as a result have plans to gradually reduce them over the next few years given no new restricted funds will be sought.

Approved by the board of trustees on 25/10/2022

David Brickman (Trustee)

Friends of Bowling Park
Receipts and payments account
for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Receipts					
Grants and donations	(2)	890	-	890	7,470
Hut takings		-	-	-	148
Total receipts		<u>890</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>890</u>	<u>7,618</u>
Payments					
Salaries and NI		-	-	-	5,681
Hut purchases		551	914	1,465	376
Office rent		-	-	-	200
Event and activity expenses		-	1,494	1,494	579
Consultancy fees		-	-	-	3,020
Insurance		151	-	151	151
Printing and stationery		-	59	59	19
IT		-	-	-	110
Trustee support		200	-	200	-
Water rates		63	175	238	64
Donations to other organisations		615	485	1,100	2,500
Accountancy		330	-	330	780
Total payments		<u>1,910</u>	<u>3,127</u>	<u>5,037</u>	<u>13,480</u>
Net receipts / (payments)		<u>(1,020)</u>	<u>(3,127)</u>	<u>(4,147)</u>	<u>(5,862)</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>13,587</u>	<u>3,127</u>	<u>16,714</u>	<u>22,576</u>
Fund balances carried forward	(3)	<u>12,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,567</u>	<u>16,714</u>

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Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31 December 2021

	2021	2021	2021	2020
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cash funds				
Cash at bank	12,544	-	12,544	16,659
Cash in hand	23	-	23	55
Total cash funds	<u>12,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,567</u>	<u>16,714</u>

Liabilities	£
Independent examination	<u>300</u>
	<u>300</u>

Approval of the accounts

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 25/10/2022

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for the year ended 31 December 2021

1 Accounting policies

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Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

2 Grants and donations

	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Bradford Metropolitan District Council (BMDC)	-	-	-	2,470
The Charles & Elsie Sykes Trust	-	-	-	5,000
Other donations	890	-	890	-
	<u>890</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>890</u>	<u>7,470</u>

3 Restricted funds

	Balance b/f £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Sovereign Health	274	-	274	-	-
The Charles & Elsie Sykes Trust	883	-	883	-	-
BMDC Cleaner Streets	1,970	-	1,970	-	-
	<u>3,127</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,127</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Fund name

Purpose of restriction

Sovereign Health	To support the costs of outreach work in Bowling Park.
The Charles & Elsie Sykes Trust	To help improve the environment of Bowling Park.
BMDC Cleaner Streets	To support improvements to the park including planting and events.

4 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.

Accounts

Friends of Bowling Park

Charity number 1156565

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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2020

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
David Brickman	Chair	
Eunice Smith	Treasurer	Resigned December 2020
Anna Boocock		
Shahid Islam		
Donald Smith		Resigned December 2020
Scott Hinsley	Secretary	

Charity number

The charity was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales, number 1156565, on 8 April 2014.

Principal address

247 Bowling Hall Road
Bradford
West Yorkshire BD4 7TJ

Bankers

Santander UK plc
2 Darley Street
Bradford
West Yorkshire BD1 3HR

Accountants

West Yorkshire Community Accounting Service

Stringer House
34 Lupton Street
Leeds
LS10 2QW

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) foundation formed on 8 April 2014 and is governed by a constitution.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2020

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

The objects of the CIO are for the benefit of the inhabitants of Bradford, to provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupation in the interests of social welfare with the object of improving their conditions of life for the inhabitants of the area of benefit in particular but not exclusively by the preservation, promotion, support, assistance and improvement of Bowling Park.

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of environmental protection and improvement of Bowling Park and advancement and improvement in and around the local community.

Achievements and performance

The charity experienced a very difficult year as many other organisations in the sector did due to the global pandemic. The decision was made to cease all public operations/activities at the start of the lockdown in March 2020. Our employed staff member continued to work remotely until her resignation in October 2020. On behalf of everyone involved at FOBP, we thank her for her hard work in difficult times. The trustees of the charity made the decision to support some of our local partners in bringing relief to local people who were severely affected by the pandemic. This was primarily in the form of financial donations to local food banks.

As the restrictions started to lift in the summer, we were able to hold a few in-person activities in the park including socially distanced 'family bubble' gardening activities. The charity was also able to support other local partners through financing park-wide improvement works carried out in 2020. This included significant investment in infrastructure and the planting of new trees.

On behalf of the trustees and volunteers of FOBP, we thank Donald and Eunice Smith for over 15 years of voluntary service in the park as they resigned as founder trustees at the end of the year. Your long service and inspiration have been invaluable over these years to everything that has happened in the park.

Financial review

The net payments for the year were £5,962, including net payments of £3,192 on unrestricted funds and net payments of £2,670 on restricted funds.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £13,587.

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees on 26/10/2021

David Brickman (Trustee)

Friends of Bowling Park
Receipts and payments account
for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Notes	2020 Unrestricted funds £	2020 Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
Receipts					
Grants and donations	(2)	-	7,470	7,470	5,717
Hut takings		148	-	148	1,738
Events income		-	-	-	1,481
Total receipts		<u>148</u>	<u>7,470</u>	<u>7,618</u>	<u>8,936</u>
Payments					
Salaries and NI	(3)	40	5,641	5,681	3,915
Hut purchases		-	376	376	1,650
Lodge project		-	-	-	155
Office rent		-	200	200	1,000
Youth outreach donation		-	-	-	200
Event and activity expenses		-	579	579	1,171
Consultancy fees		2,520	500	3,020	2,328
Insurance		-	151	151	169
Printing and stationery		-	19	19	431
IT		-	110	110	55
Equipment		-	-	-	1,008
Volunteer expenses		-	-	-	316
General expenses		-	64	64	112
Grant payments		-	2,500	2,500	-
Accountancy		780	-	780	-
Total payments		<u>3,340</u>	<u>10,140</u>	<u>13,480</u>	<u>12,510</u>
Net receipts / (payments)		<u>(3,192)</u>	<u>(2,670)</u>	<u>(5,862)</u>	<u>(3,574)</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>16,779</u>	<u>5,797</u>	<u>22,576</u>	<u>26,150</u>
Fund balances carried forward	(4)	<u>13,587</u>	<u>3,127</u>	<u>16,714</u>	<u>22,576</u>

Friends of Bowling Park
Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31 December 2020

	2020	2020	2020	2019
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cash funds				
Cash at bank	13,532	3,127	16,659	22,512
Cash in hand	55	-	55	64
Total cash funds	<u>13,587</u>	<u>3,127</u>	<u>16,714</u>	<u>22,576</u>

Liabilities	£
Accountancy fees	<u>330</u>
	<u>330</u>

Approval of the accounts

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 26/10/2021

David Brickman (Trustee)

Friends of Bowling Park

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2020

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and have prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

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for the year ended 31 December 2020

2 Grants and donations	2020 Unrestricted funds £	2020 Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
Bradford Metropolitan District Council (BMDC)	-	2,470	2,470	-
The Charles & Elsie Sykes Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-
Betty's Centenary Trees for Life Fund	-	-	-	4,000
Bradford City Challenge Foundation	-	-	-	625
Ecclesiastical Movement for Good Fund	-	-	-	1,000
Donations	-	-	-	92
	<u>-</u>	<u>7,470</u>	<u>7,470</u>	<u>5,717</u>

3 Staff costs and numbers	2020 £	2019 £
Gross salaries	4,986	3,989
Pensions	249	200
Add/Less: Salary owing at 31 December 2019	446	(446)
Add: Pension prepayment	-	37
Add: HMRC PAYE credit balance	-	135
	<u>5,681</u>	<u>3,915</u>

The average number employees during the year was 0.6, being an average of 0.2 full time equivalent (2019: 0.6, 0.2 FTE). There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000.

Defined contribution pension scheme	2020 £	2019 £
Costs of the scheme to the charity for the year	249	200

4 Restricted funds	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Sovereign Health	2,504	-	2,230	-	274
Betty's Centenary Trees for Life	3,293	-	3,293	-	-
The Charles & Elsie Sykes Trust	-	5,000	4,117	-	883
BMDC Cleaner Streets	-	1,970	-	-	1,970
BMDC Community Chest	-	500	500	-	-
	<u>5,797</u>	<u>7,470</u>	<u>10,140</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,127</u>

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
Sovereign Health	To support the costs of outreach work in Bowling Park.
Betty's Centenary Trees for Life	To support both a kindergardeners project with school children and a tree planting project.
The Charles & Elsie Sykes Trust	To help improve the environment of Bowling Park.
BMDC Cleaner Streets	To support improvements to the park including planting and events.
BMDC Community Chest	To support events being held in the park. Due to the impact of covid-19 it was agreed with BMDC that the funding would be re-directed for the support of the local community via a local foodbank.

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5 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.