



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	Jan	2022		31	Dec	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Bryn Residents Action Group

Other names charity is known by

BRAG

Registered charity number (if any)

1158947

Charity's principal address

5 Bryn Varteg, Bryn, Port Talbot

Postcode

SA13 2RJ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Paul Bulmer	Chair	NA
2	Dafydd Bowen		NA
3	John Thomas		NA
4	Dianne Thomas		NA
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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	Lloyds	115 Station Road, Port Talbot, SA13 1NR

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution- adopted 23 rd October 2013
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are elected from and by the members of BRAG during the Annual General Meeting.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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BRAG are members of Neath Port Talbot Council for Voluntary Service (NPT CVS) and have access to roles and responsibilities information via the website. They also receive regular news bulletins.

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

The objects of BRAG are:

The promotion for the benefit of the public of urban or rural regeneration in areas of social and economic deprivation (and in particular in the village of Bryn) by all or any of the following means:

- (a) the maintenance, improvement or provision of public amenities:
- (b) the preservation of buildings or sites of historic or architectural importance:
- (c) the provision of recreational facilities for the public at large or those who by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances, have need of such facilities:
- (d) the protection or conservation of the environment:
- (e) the promotion of public safety and prevention of crime:
- (f) Such other means as may from time to time be determined subject to the prior written consent of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales."

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

Using a grant from the Big Lottery, we obtained a 25yr lease from NPT Council for the derelict Tennis Courts area on Bryn Recreation Ground. During 2021, we maintained these grounds, arranged the annual safety inspection and organised activities to make full use of these facilities.

Having established a 4-mile Heritage Walk at the edge of the village, starting in the Bryn Nature reserve picnic area and returning to this point. The path has been kept clear of fallen trees, undergrowth etc. Further stones had to be laid in sections to bridge streams and bogs and drainage ditches dug by hand. Way markers and signage have been maintained or replaced as required. All this work was undertaken by voluntary members of BRAG. The route continues to be maintained on a monthly basis. BRAG also maintains a picnic area and miners memorial located at the start of this walk.

In the past, we undertook a number of one off activities such as installing a memorial to the memory of local miners and organising the official opening of this. The old coal dram rescued from the school closure the year before was used as part of this memorial. We continue to maintain this memorial site.

Other activities include:

- Helping with the running of the Richard Burton Race, attracting over two thousand runners and raising money for local charities.
- Support of social clubs in the village such as a Heritage Club, an over 50's club, a Bowling Club, a Cricket Team, The Bryn Ukraine Aid group, etc.
- Community events such as a Halloween Party, a Christmas Event and an annual Party in the Park.

- We also produce and deliver a village newsletter and run a village website and social media groups.

In planning and delivering all the individual activities and plans for the year the Trustees have considered and had regard to the Public Benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

With Covid restrictions, many of our normal activities were still restricted for the first quarter of 2022.

We have also worked with other organisations to help deliver many other activities for the village such as monthly walks, including an evening walk during the summer months.

We have worked alongside Afan Environment group to help protect the environment in the surrounding area.

We were unable to deliver the village newsletter due to Covid restrictions but it appears that most of the village are now happy to receive information via the website, social media and the community centre notice board. We moved the village website from the Chess hosted site at <https://bryn-porttalbot.chessck.co.uk/> to a new location at <https://brynporttalbot.wordpress.com/> This new site offers better tools to improve the quality of the site.

We delivered children's events for Easter, Summer, Halloween and Christmas.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees have considered a reserves policy and felt it is necessary to keep £5,000 to cover any potential damage to assets such as tennis court nets and to sustain BRAG through any short-term drought in grant funding.

£5000 would cover running costs such as insurance, lease rents, printing, etc. for about two years.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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The organisation had good funding from the Beast of Bryn event resulting in a £1,000 improvement in our account balance over the year.

Section F

Other optional information

In future years, if pandemic restrictions allow, we intend to continue the regular activities as listed in this report plus planned new activities that include:

- Introduce Sports coaching on the village playing fields
- Organise the annual events such as Party in the Park, Halloween, Christmas, etc.
- Work with other groups to deliver sports, protect the environment, deliver supervised walks, etc.
- Protect and publicise the local heritage of the area.

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Paul Bulmer	Dafydd Bowen
	(hand written signatures on hard copy in BRAG files)	
	Full name(s)	Paul Bulmer
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee & Chair	Trustee

Signature(s)	John Thomas	Diane Thomas
	Full name(s)	John Thomas
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee

Date	08/03/2023
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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Bryn Residents Action Group (CIO)

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/01/2022	To	31/12/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donation from Richard Burton 10k	249			249	419
Donations from Christmas tree appeal	-			-00	570
Halloween donations	100			100	388
Donations to Stop Y Bryn appeal	-			-00	1,427
Beast of Bryn race donation	2,500			2,500	49
Beast of Bryn T shirt sales etc	393			393	-00
Christmas receipts	228			228	-00
Dwr Cymru donation for cabin	200			200	-00
Other donations	75			75	-00
Website refund (BT)	80				
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,825	-00	-00	3,745	2,853
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-		
	-	-	-		-
Sub total	-	-	-		-
Total receipts	3,825	-	-	3,825	2,853

A3 Payments

Insurance costs	249			249	440
Beast of Bryn race costs	1,100			1,100	-00
Paints etc	170			170	36
Website	111			111	72
Printing, stationery and computer supplies	109			109	609
Safety inspections	78			78	-00
Signage	53			53	-00
Thank you gifts	9			9	25
Tennis court maintenance	91			91	35
Halloween party costs	110			110	100
Wreath for Remembrance Day	37			37	25
Christmas party and tree costs	560			560	100
Interpretation panel costs - Heritage project	0			-00	1,500
Rent/other	45			45	30
Information leaflets - Stop Y Bryn	0			-00	352
Domain name	0			-00	14
Banners and other promotional material	0			-00	415
Support for Ukraine	44			44	-00
Sub total	2,766	-	-	2,766	3,753

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-		-	-	
	-	-	-		
Sub total	-	-	-		-
Total payments	2,766	-	-	2,766	3,753
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,059	-00		1,059	-900
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	12,877	646		13,523	14,423
Cash funds this year end	13,936	646		14,582	13,523

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank and cash	13,936	646	
	Total cash funds <small>(agreed balances with receipts and payments account(s))</small>	13,936	646	
		OK	OK	OK
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets				
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets				
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)

B5 Liabilities

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Signed hard copy in the	Dafydd P Bowen	08/03/2023
BRAG records	John Thomas	08/03/2023

Report to the Trustees and Members of Bryn Residents Action Group

Charities in England and Wales are regulated by the Charity Commission for England and Wales and are subject to the requirements set by the Charities Act 1993. Under section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 an audit for a financial year is required if the:

charity's gross income in that year exceeds £500,000, or

aggregate value of the charity's assets, without deducting any liabilities, exceeds £3.26m and its gross income exceeds £250,000.

Charities which are not required to have an audit of their accounts are required to have an independent examination if their gross income exceeds £25,000. In addition for charities with gross income exceeding £250,000 the independent examiner will need to hold a relevant professional qualification.

Bryn Residents Action Group is not required to undertake an independent examination as its gross income is less than £25,000

As Bryn Residents Action Group gross income is less than £500,000 and there are no assets the charity is not required to carry out an audit as required by the Companies Act 2006.

Terry Filer FCCA
06-May-23