



FRIENDS OF CHaT PARKS.

(Reg. Charity no: 1166255)

Minutes of the 13th Annual General Meeting

21 April 2022 at 7.00 pm

1 Present: 27

2 Apologies:

3 Welcome: Members were welcomed to the 13th AGM meeting by Ian Deighton (Chair), noting that it had been 2 years since we were able to hold the meeting in person.

4 Minutes of AGM 2021: these were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5 Matters arising: nil

6 Chairman's Report: Ian thanked everyone who has worked throughout this year. The Games area opened at Easter, but the public are not allowed into the Ticket Office. Tennis proving very popular and the nets will be kept up through the winter. Players have continued to pay.

Many usual events have not been able to happen e.g. car rally. Major events that have happened were the Music Festival and the Fireworks, which went very well.

Thanks to Melvyn Eddy for his work.

Thanks also to the Family Services trainees and the people planting up the Formal gardens.

Many good comments about the Secret Garden but it has experienced some vandalism. We celebrate the 10th anniversary of its opening in June.

Not much has been able to be done in the Conservatory, but two new volunteers are now working in the middle section to enhance it.

The Aviary work has continued despite Covid and bird flu. Thanks to Jason for his work.

Many trials have been experienced but they have been overcome.

Planned work – the children's play area, Clarence Park Arena, the Lake – should be completed next year.

Other structures are needing improvement e.g. Ticket Office.

Tennis – new courts are proving popular. A grant from WMDC means an increase in people being able to access tennis and coaching.

Financial Report:-

See separate sheets for full accounts for the year.

These show 4 accounts, which will be merged into one before transferring the account to another bank. The transfer papers have been signed.

The Accounts were agreed.

HSBC are now charging £5 per month for each account and 40p per item for transactions.

No car boot sales have taken place because of Covid restrictions.
Brian Else is standing down as Treasurer and he was thanked for his work over the years. Margaret Kershaw was appointed Treasurer.
Mrs Crowther has examined our accounts but is no longer able to do it. It was agreed we pay her £75 for her work.

Website: Jean Reeve oversees this. We have a new company - 34sp - and it was agreed we send a letter of thanks to David Florence.

Facebook has 2,400 followers.

Thanks were offered to Jean for her work on our behalf.

Car Boot Sales: Linda has organised them in the past but is now stepping down from this role. Thanks were expressed to Linda for the work she has done.

We have 4 licences that are paid for.

Trustees:

Miriam is standing down because of work commitments. Thanks offered to for her contributions in the past.

A new trustee was appointed - Margaret Kershaw. Brenda Ashurst is considering taking up the role.

In addition, Merewyn and Chris are due to stand down but are available for re-election. This was agreed. The Trustees are now:-

Ian Deighton	Chris Welsh	Merewyn Sayers	Margaret
Morgan			

Margaret Dodd	Peter Stokes	Margaret Kershaw	Jean
Reeve			

Thanks were expressed to Ian for all his work.

That completed the Agenda for the AGM

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There followed a general discussion on the work in the park.

Penny Appeal: the planning application is very vague and needs to be more specific. No date yet for the planning committee. Rewiring is being done in the building.

Vandalism: CCTV installed in Secret Garden and is running. This year we celebrate 10 years since the Secret Garden was opened and we look to have a celebration.

Ticket Office: new doors and windows to be installed, as well as fascia boards. Electric shutters to go over windows. The Friends group will contribute to the costs.

Lake: needing to make it a healthier environment. The bottom end needs clearing of leaves, the water flow cannot be increased, there is not a lot of silt. The lake is not suitable for fish, needs a way of aerating it, walkway needs hard landscaping, and there is a problem with rats. These are matters of maintenance.

Clarence Park Arena: needs maintenance, and new vertical panels to be installed on the steps.

Shelter: not much left of it! It is part of the park's heritage and needs to be restored.

Gates near arena: to be restored.

Paxton Corner: still an idea to progress and it would give access to the castle site.

Bandstand: it has had two redevelopments. Problem with flooding. We agreed we would support brass band concerts.

Conservatory: two new volunteers working in the middle section.

Trees: some have been chopped down and concern expressed whether new ones are being planted. We felt a plan was needed. The Queen's Green Canopy is encouraging people to plant a tree for the Jubilee.

Pet's Cemetery: A plan is needed for this area.

Park Wardens: doing work in the park. Their priorities seem to be tidying up the shrubs, and will help with bunkers on Golf course. We felt they needed to be more visible. Possibility of asking for a speaker for one of our meetings.

Perimeter walls: Streetscene are responsible for their maintenance.

Bee hives: these will be installed near Open Country area.

Community Ambassadors are around in the park.

Book Exchange: to be set up in the Ticket Office using the old store room.

Helen Antcliffe is taking responsibility. Working on the same principle as 'Little Library'.

The meeting then closed,



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Friends of CHaT Parks

No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 1/1/2021	To	Period end date 12/31/2021
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
Membership Fees	888	-	-	888
Donations	1,324	-	-	1,324
Games Income	7,225	288	-	7,513
Sale of Flowersetc	1,250	-	-	1,250
Tennis Project Grant	-	28,000	-	28,000
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	10,687	28,288	-	38,975
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	10,687	28,288	-	38,975
A3 Payments				
Purchase of Plants	3,119	-	-	3,119
Repairs and Maintenance	518	-	-	518
Office costs	327	-	-	327
Tennis Project costs	-	1,900	-	1,900
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
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Sub total	3,964	1,900	-	5,864
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,964	1,900	-	5,864
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,723	26,388	-	33,111
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	6,723	26,388	-	33,111

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank account	28,578	26,388
	cash	64	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	28,642	26,388
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
		-	-
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B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name
		Chris Welch	Chris Welch

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

On accounts for the year
ended

Charity no
(if any)

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

E. Crowther

Date:

30/12/22

Name:

E. CROWTHER

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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