

FRIENDS OF KING'S GARDENS SOUTHPORT

England & Wales · Charity number 1167700

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-06-17

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

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Activities

Objects: TO MAINTAIN THE KING'S GARDENS IN CO-OPERATION WITH THE LOCAL AUTHORITY IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION FOR THE PUBLIC AT LARGE WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE.

Activities: Supporting volunteers with gardening, organising events, guided tours, liaising with Sefton Council with regard to the management and maintenance of the gardens.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Sefton

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£105	£1,490	-	-
2023-09-30	£330	£1,760	-	-
2022-09-30	£382	£156	-	-
2021-09-30	£0	£317	-	-
2020-09-30	£605	£620	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Gillian Rickhuss		2025-03-12
Isabella Jane Macefield		2019-10-15
Jane Hamilton		2025-03-12

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. Chair's report AGM 2025- Geraldine Aughton

We continue to meet infrequently, keeping in touch by email and phone as and when necessary. This helps to keep down the workload for myself and Jane, our excellent secretary. As always, if any member thinks we should hold a meeting in-between times, this can be arranged.

Once again, Julie and the team put a lot of effort into organising a fun day which was sadly rained off. The tombola outside the arts and crafts shelter on a sunny Saturday did very well, as in 2023. The way forward seems to be to just plan to organise a tombola and wait until the weather forecast is good.

We had two festive gatherings – an afternoon tea at the Bold Hotel and a lunch at Westminster Tea Rooms, both of which were very sociable.

Last year we sent a message of support to Mark Shaw, as requested, detailing what a difference it made to the gardens when we had a dedicated on-site gardener. However, it appears that there are no funds for this at present.

We asked Green Sefton for a report on progress in the gardens during the past year and plans for the coming months; we are pleased to welcome Katie, our Community Ranger, to bring us up to date. Some gardening has taken place on Wednesdays, when weather has permitted, now that Spring is here. Thanks to those who have been working in the gardens, and to Katie the Community Ranger who has also gardened and advised. We welcomed a new volunteer last year – Alan Reason.

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Our Charity's Purpose for Public Benefit

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Activities and Events during the 2021- 2022 season

We resumed our Committee and Events meetings in accordance with the Government guidelines, after the regulations after Covid 19. Our committee meetings were relocated to a new meeting place, which has proved to be convenient and congenial. At these meetings we decide on the needs of the gardens and liaise with Green Sefton in this regard. Our events meetings (which involve fewer people) is located at one of our member's homes. This is to discuss and report on the progress of the arrangements bring made to organise the annual Fun Day, this year was to coincide with the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Our events are organised with the primary intention of giving families an inexpensive venue to bring families together and engage in wholesome activities.

How funds were raised and used during the 2012 - 2022 season

1. Funday Event- a tea tent and big garden game activities, and raffles and tombola stall formed our focus of raising money.
2. Visitor tours of Kings Gardens- arranged as requested. These are conducted by member volunteers.

Funds are used to ensure all volunteers have the relevant tools to enable safe garden maintenance. FOKG equipment is purchased and kept in working order, eg, urn for the tea tent etc.

Most of what is planted in the garden is received via donations, but where necessary, plants are purchased. We have pledged to plant a Cherry Tree in the Gardens as part of the Queen's Canopy initiative to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee.

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Financial report 30.09.21 - 30.09.2022

Monies in (receipts) £

30.08.2022 Summer Fair	382.10
History walks x 2	
Balance as at 30 th Septmber 2022	£
01.10,21 bank balance Current Account	12595.70
Monies in 2021 - 2022	382.10
Monies out 2021 - 2022	156.40
30.09.2022 bank balance Current Account	<u>12821.40</u>

Monies out (payments) £

09.05 2022 cheque 100163	plants	21.00
28.09. 2022 cheque 100167	kloppers	35.00
29.09.2022 cheque 100165	Titus(entertainer)	50.00
Bank Charges @ £5.00 per month		50.00
Bank charges @ £0.40 per cheque		00.40
<u>Total</u>		<u>156.40</u>
Outstanding cheques 100164 radio heartbeat		140.00
	100166 cancelled	
	100168 K. Downward	114.00

Audited by Terry Rickhuss

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Prepared by Julie Rudge- Treasurer

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(payments) £

Monies Out

21.10.19 Sefton MBC (Spacehive) 200.00
Bloom Tickets 100.00

22.10.19 (Ch 100154) J.Rudge In

28.10.19 Idverde (Spacehive) 190.00
Plants and Tools 248.74

22.10.19 (Ch 100153) J.Rudge

26.11.19 Cash paid in from Xmas Fayre 215.00
2flash drives 19.98

24.10.19 (Ch 100152) J.Aughton

21.11.19 (Ch 100156) D.Eley spade 7.92 605.00

17.12.19 (Ch 100155) photoframe and keys 24.50 Spacehive funding was for
plants and garden tools 07.2.2020 Direct Debit USIC re website 150.78 Idverde
are a landscape and maintenance company 27.5.2020(Ch 100159) B.Haslam
weedkiller 18.00 8.7.2020 (Ch 100160) B.Haslam weedkiller 44.00 23.7.2020 (Ch
100158) B. Dovey secateurs 6.00 _____ 619.92 Balance as at 30th
September 2020 £ 1.10.19 Bank balance Current Account 12927.62 Monies In
2019 - 2020 605.00 (outstanding cheque 100157 D.Roney £38 for Champion
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2019-2020



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We have not had any meetings after March of 2020, due to the beginning of the lockdown which began at that time. We complied with Government guidelines and stopped our monthly meetings.

Our fundraising activities also stopped to ensure we protected our volunteers, and enabled social distancing procedures. In November of 2019, we held a Christmas Fayre, which was successful, in that it brought the community together with stalls and activities with a winter theme. This is reflected in the financial report.

Our core activities involve the maintenance of the Community Garden at King's Gardens. This is carried out by volunteers who maintain the gardens and install new plants within the confines of weather and seasons. This activity continued with mindful compliance of the guidelines laid out by Government. Attention was paid to the numbers and distancing of volunteers at any one time, and they all used their own tools.

Despite the difficulties, we have maintained a very pretty garden, enjoyed by many. Tributes must be paid to those who have continued to give their time during these challenging times. Thankyou.

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