

FRIENDS OF RIVERSIDE PARK - CHESTER-LE-STREET

England & Wales · Charity number 1168443

Details

Other names FORP - CLS

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-07-26

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

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF INHABITANTS OF CHESTER LE STREET AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED FOR SUCH FACILITIES WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE RIVERSIDE PARK, CHESTER LE STREET, COUNTY DURHAM

Activities: To promote for the benefit of inhabitants of Chester le Street and the surrounding areas, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need for such facilities within the context of the Riverside Park, Chester le Street, County Durham.

Classification

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

Geography

- Durham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31		£0	£0	-
2024-07-31		£0	£0	-
2023-07-31		£0	£0	-
2022-07-31		£2	£0	-
2021-07-31		£0	£0	-
2020-07-31		£750	£0	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Audrey Willis		2016-09-20
CLARE TODD		2016-07-26
David Todd		2025-01-14

FRIENDS OF RIVERSIDE PARK - CHESTER-LE-STREET

England & Wales - Charity number 1168443

Accounts

Trustees: Clare Todd (Secretary)
Audrey Willis

Registered Charity Number: 1168443

Date of Registration: 26.07.16

Financial Year End Date: 31.07.25

Introduction

The Trustees submit their report and financial statement for the Friends of Riverside Park – Chester-le-Street (the CIO) for the financial year ending 31st July 2025. The financial statement complies with the Charities Act 2011 and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Small Entities (effective January 2015).

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To promote for the benefit of inhabitants of Chester le Street and the surrounding areas, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need for such facilities within the context of the Riverside Park, Chester le Street, County Durham.

Review of Achievements & Performance

During the last year we managed to win Silver Gilt and Best in Group for both the Gardens and Chester le Street in the Northumbria In Bloom Summer 2025 judging.

We continue to review our Risk Assessments and policies for the group. We have been lucky with support of our H&S etc policies, and continue to take advice on any RA needed.

We have held our Annual Easter Egg Hunt with the sponsorship of the onsite café who supplied the chocolate easter eggs for the children. This continues to be a very successful and well supported event.

Work continues in the park gardens by volunteers and entering the Northumbria in Bloom once again this year, this is one of our favourite activities in the gardens at Riverside.

Financial Review

The CIO banks with Santander using a 'Treasurer's Current Account'. During this financial year no funds were raised for the FoRP group. The CIO has no assets, no depreciation, no investments, no debtors, no creditors, no liabilities and a cash balance of £762, arising from previous donations and 'member's subscriptions. Accounts will be filed using the Charity Commission's 'Receipts & Payments' template.

Public Benefit Statement

In exercising their powers and duties the Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on 'public benefit' published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Preparation of This Report

This report has been prepared in accordance with guidance published by the Charity Commission in March 2015, entitled 'Charity Reporting and Accounting – The Essentials', and is signed on behalf of the Trustees by,

Clare Todd

Trustee and Secretary



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Friends of Riverside Park - Chester le Street	No (if any) 1168443
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 8/1/2024	To	Period end date 7/31/2025
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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					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-	762
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	762
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-	762
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	-	-	-	762

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		262	500	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	262	500	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	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
	Clare Todd - Trustee/Secretary	20.07.26

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England & Wales - Charity number 1168443

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Review of Achievements & Performance

During the last year we have reviewed volunteer opportunities due to ill health and have decided to keep activities to a minimum concentrating on making new connections and only maintaining the gardens for the Northumbria In Bloom Summer 2025 judging.

David Todd will review Risk Assessments and policies as he is experienced in this aspect from his work life,

We continue to have the support of Durham County Council on many aspects and work with them whenever possible.

We held our Annual Easter Egg Hunt with the sponsorship of the onsite café who supplied the chocolate easter eggs for the children. This continues to be a very successful and well supported event with more children attending.

Our NIB work continues to develop and we are working with Chester le Street BA in how we can continue to develop not only the park side of the entry but also the town.

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Trustee and Secretary



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.08.23	To	Period end date 31.07.24
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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					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-	762
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	762
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-	762
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	-	-	-	762

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

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B1 Cash funds		262	500	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	262	500	-

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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	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
	Clare Todd - Trustee/Secretary	20.07.25

FRIENDS OF RIVERSIDE PARK - CHESTER-LE-STREET

England & Wales - Charity number 1168443

Accounts

Trustees: Clare Todd (Secretary)
Audrey Willis
Paul Evans
Jeffrey Murphy

Registered Charity Number: 1168443
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Financial Year End Date: 31.07.23

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Review of Achievements & Performance

Despite the breakdown as reported by the then Treasurer Paul Evans – FoRP volunteers continued with the support of Cestrian Community Volunteers, and we managed to continue as a group.

Both Audrey Willis and Clare Todd – named as Trustees wished to continue the group and were glad that this could happen with support from DCC and Cestrian Community Volunteers.

With the support of Durham County Council Health and Safety policies were agreed and this meant insurance for public liability could be obtained, however the volunteers continue to be covered by Cestrian Community Volunteers until such time as to resolve access to FoRP funds.

We have held our Annual Easter Egg Hunt with the sponsorship of the onsite café who supplied the chocolate easter eggs for the children. This continues to be a very successful and well supported event.

Work continues in the park gardens by volunteers and a Gold standard was achieved in Northumbria in Bloom once again this year.

Financial Review

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Trustee and Secretary



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.08.22	To	Period end date 31.07.23
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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					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-	762
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	762
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-	762
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	-	-	-	762

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		262	500	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	262	500	-
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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	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
	Clare Todd - Trustee/Secretary	20.02.23

FRIENDS OF RIVERSIDE PARK - CHESTER-LE-STREET

England & Wales - Charity number 1168443

Accounts

Trustees' Report

Trustees: Paul Evans (Treasurer)
Jeffrey Murphy (Chair)
Clare Todd (Secretary)
Audrey Willis

Registered Charity Number: 1168443

Date of Registration: 26.07.16

Financial Year End Date: 31.07.22

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Review of Achievements & Performance

During the first 6 months of 2021, and just ahead of entering its sixth year, it is fair to say that the working relationships of those trustees involved in the management of the CIO completely broke down. This came to a head during the development of 'post-pandemic' Health & Safety policies in pursuit of obtaining suitable Public Liability Insurance cover for the activities of the CIO's volunteers.

As a consequence of the disagreements that arose, the trustees met only once during the reporting year - for the purposes of an Annual General Meeting – on 7th June 2022. During that AGM it was obvious that significant barriers to the future governance and aspirations of the CIO still existed.

In light of the identified difficulties, those members who were fully paid up prior to the financial year end on 31.07.22, unanimously resolved that the CIO should be dissolved and closed as of that date.

It was also resolved that the CIO's assets – detailed in the accompanying 'Receipts & Payments' submission of the 'Financial Review' section of this report – should be disposed of in accordance with the dissolution application submitted to the Charity Commission.

Constitution

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (the CIO) and was registered with the Charity Commission on 26th July 2016. Its Constitution follows the 'Association Model' and allows for membership with voting rights

Governance & Management

The management of the CIO is the responsibility of its Trustees who are elected and co-opted in accordance with the constitution – which allows for a maximum of 12 Trustees and a minimum of 3. Four of the trustees will be appointed in the 'executive' roles of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

As per the Annex of Rules allowed for by the constitution, the CIO trustees will meet on a minimum of 4 occasions per year and there will be a minimum of 4 General Meetings per year convened for Members.

In accordance with the constitution, all trustees will stand down at the Annual General Meeting and may seek re-election.

Financial Review

The CIO is presently banks with Santander using a 'Treasurer's Current Account'.

During this financial year no funds were raised other than £2 in 'member's subscriptions'.

The CIO has no assets, no depreciation, no investments, no debtors, no creditors, no liabilities and a cash balance of £762, arising from previous donations and 'member's subscriptions'.

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Public Benefit Statement

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Paul Evans

Trustee & Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.08.21	To	Period end date 31.07.22
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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					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2	-	-	2	760
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2	-	-	2	760
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	2	-	-	2	
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end					760
Cash funds this year end	2	-	-	2	762

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

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B1 Cash funds	Current Account	260	500	-
	Cash Held	2	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	262	500	-
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B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Paul Evans - Trustee / Treasurer	30.05.23	

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Review of Achievements & Performance

In its fifth year - it is fair to say - the Covid-19 pandemic and the restrictions imposed during various iterations of 'lockdown' have had a significant limiting impact on the work of the CIO during the Summer of 2020 & Spring of 2021.



In light of this Trustees utilised a number of virtual meetings during the Spring of 2021 to commence work on formulating a number of Health & Safety policies whilst also exploring the requirement of Public Liability Insurance to cover the activities of the group's volunteers once Covid-19 restrictions are removed.

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Financial Review

The CIO is presently banks with the Chester le Street branch of Santander using a 'Treasurer's Current Account'.

During this financial year no funds were raised.

The CIO has no assets, no depreciation, no investments, no debtors, no creditors, no liabilities and a cash balance of £760, arising from the above donations and previous 'member's subscriptions'.

As a consequence of the above information accounts will be filed using the Charity Commission's 'Receipts & Payments' template.

Public Benefit Statement



In exercising their powers and duties the Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on 'public benefit' published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Preparation of This Report

This report has been prepared in accordance with guidance published by the Charity Commission in March 2015, entitled 'Charity Reporting and Accounting – The Essentials', and is signed on behalf of the Trustees by

Paul Evans

Trustee & Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Friends of Riverside Park - Chester le Street

No (if any)
1168443

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.08.20	To	Period end date 31.07.21
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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					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-	750
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	750
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end					760
Cash funds this year end					760

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	Current Account	260	500	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	260	500	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	260	500	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	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
		Paul Evans - Trustee / Treasurer	30.05.22

FRIENDS OF RIVERSIDE PARK - CHESTER-LE-STREET

England & Wales - Charity number 1168443

Accounts

Trustees' Report

Trustees: Paul Evans (Vice Chair & Treasurer)
Jeffrey Murphy (Chair)
Clare Todd (Secretary)
Audrey Willis

Registered Charity Number: 1168443

Date of Registration: 26.07.16

Financial Year End Date: 31.07.20

Introduction

The Trustees submit their report and financial statement for the Friends of Riverside Park – Chester-le-Street (the CIO) for the financial year ending 31st July 2020. The financial statement complies with the Charities Act 2011 and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Small Entities (effective January 2015).

Aims & Objectives

To promote for the benefit of inhabitants of Chester le Street and the surrounding areas, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need for such facilities within the context of the Riverside Park, Chester le Street, County Durham.

Review of Achievements & Performance

In its fourth year the CIO has retained a strong focus on the development of a consistent group of volunteers whose work has mainly be directed to the ongoing development and maintenance of the park's Memorial Garden.



Given the sustained number of volunteers who now work with our organisation in the park – we have also worked with the ‘Volunteer’s Coordinator’ of Durham County Council to develop and implement robust Health & Safety Risk Assessments in relation to volunteer activities.

The charity has continued to be significantly involved in decisions made by Durham County Council in relation to the planting and maintenance projects within the park, but it is fair to say - like all similar organisations - the Covid-19 pandemic and its restrictions has had a significant limiting impact on the work of our group for both the spring & summer of 2020, beginning with the first ‘national lockdown’ in March 2020.

Constitution

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (the CIO) and was registered with the Charity Commission on 26th July 2016. Its Constitution follows the ‘Association Model’ and allows for membership with voting rights

Governance & Management

The management of the CIO is the responsibility of its Trustees who are elected and co-opted in accordance with the constitution – which allows for a maximum of 12 Trustees and a minimum of 3. Four of the trustees will be appointed in the ‘executive’ roles of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

As per the Annex of Rules allowed for by the constitution, the CIO trustees will meet on a minimum of 4 occasions per year and there will be a minimum of 4 General Meetings per year convened for Members.

In accordance with the constitution, all trustees will stand down at the Annual General Meeting and may seek re-election.

Financial Review

The CIO is presently banks with the Chester le Street branch of Santander using a ‘Treasurer’s Current Account’.

During this financial year funds were raised via donations from the Durham Cricket Foundation (£250) & Durham County Councillor Beaty Bainbridge (£500) – the latter of which is ‘restricted’ and designated for the future purchase of plants / signage for the park’s Memory Garden.

The CIO has no assets, no depreciation, no investments, no debtors, no creditors, no liabilities and a cash balance of £760, arising from the above donations and previous ‘member’s subscriptions’.



As a consequence of the above information accounts will be filed using the Charity Commission's 'Receipts & Payments' template.

Public Benefit Statement

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Paul Evans

Vice-Chair of Trustees & Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Friends of Riverside Park - Chester le Street	No (if any) 1168443
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.08.19	To	Period end date 31.07.20
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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 - Durham Cricket Foundation	250	-	-	250	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Donation - Councillor Beaty Bainbridge	-	500	-	500	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	250	500	-	750	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	250	500	-	750	-
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	250	500	-	750	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	10	-	-	10	-
Cash funds this year end	260	500	-	760	-

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	Current Account	260	500	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	260	500	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	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
		Paul Evans - Trustee / Treasurer	27.04.21