

Hackney Tree People
(Registered charity, number 1168716)
Financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023

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**Hackney Tree People
Trustees' annual report
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

Full name Hackney Tree People

Other names by which the charity is known Hackney Community Tree Nursery
Tree Musketeers

Organisation type Charitable incorporated organisation

Registered charity number 1168716

Principal address

155 Chatsworth Road, London, E5 0LA

Trustees

Christine Kings, Chair
Olivia Kilmartin
Sarah Lo

Stephen Lee, Treasurer
Annie Chipchase
Francisco White

Independent examiner

John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

Governance and management

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO constitution adopted 10 August 2016.

Hackney Tree people is governed by its Board of Trustees. There are currently six trustees, board meetings take place approximately every 12 weeks.

In accordance with the constitution which states that at the annual general meeting of the members of the CIO one third of the charity trustees shall retire from office, the longest serving trustees may resign but have the option to show their willingness to continue with their duties and may be re-elected.

Membership of the CIO is open to anyone who is interested in furthering its purposes and who, by applying for membership, has indicated their agreement to become a member and acceptance of the duty of members. Only individuals are eligible to be members of the charity.

Objectives and activities

- 1) For the public benefit, to promote improvement of the physical and natural environment, and public health, in particular but not exclusively by the growing, care and conservation of trees, and other activities related to trees, mainly but not exclusively in the London Borough of Hackney;
- 2) The advancement of education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment, mainly but not exclusively in the London Borough of Hackney, in particular but not exclusively by the provision of workshops on woodland management and tree coppicing and felling.

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

Within the year HTP planted in excess of 1000 trees as well as continuing to maintain previously planted trees within the Hackney area.

HTP also undertook the production and sales of the bi-annual calendar with some fantastic photographs taken, this informs the public of their activities and some current projects.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Summary of the main achievements during the period

HTP continue to upgrade and improve the tree nursery, within the year a new composting toilet was constructed. HTP are progressing discussions with The London Borough of Hackney to develop new facilities within the nursery.

HTP also carried out an extensive tree survey within the London Borough of Hackney.

Financial review

As can be seen below, The HTP have had a good year with plenty of activity. Whilst there has been a higher level of receipts and payments compared to 2021 the overall net result was an increase to net receipts/payments of 10%.

The main reason for the increase in financial activity is the tree survey work we completed for LBH.

The charity's policy on reserves

The charity has no specific policy with regard to the level of reserves.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed *C Kings*_____ Date 27th June 2023
Christine Kings, Trustee

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Hackney Tree People
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Hackney Tree People (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed  Date 28/06/2023
John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

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Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 March 2023

2022			2023
£		Note	£
	Receipts		
20380	Grants & donations	2	22501
-	Consultancy work		11800
1037	Tree Sales		2785
350	Trees sponsored		150
149	Plant & shrub sales		211
30	Beekeeping sales		161
45	T shirt sales		270
-	Calendar sales		2584
-	Bank interest		6
-	Miscellaneous		455
<u>21991</u>	Total receipts		<u>40923</u>
	Payments		
2350	Horticultural supplies		2078
372	Tree nursery site maintenance		-
36	Vehicle maintenance		1737
-	Equipment, repairs & renewals		6583
1043	Insurance (vehicle & Site/activities)		927
262	Volunteer provisions		226
1867	Events, projects & activities		2125
142	Beekeeping		-
208	Website & social media		637
-	Publications printing		1865
-	Publicity materials		70
26	Administration		150
680	First aid training		674
430	Accounting		-
2880	Consultancy		10957
72	Sundry payments		92
<u>10368</u>	Total payments		<u>28121</u>
11623	Net receipts/(payments)		12802
<u>27754</u>	Cash funds at start of this period		<u>39377</u>
<u>39377</u>	Cash funds at end of this period		<u>52179</u>

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Statement of assets and liabilities

at 31 March 2023

2022		2023
£		£
	Cash assets	
39243	Bank accounts	52092
134	Cash in hand	87
<u>39377</u>		<u>52179</u>
	Other monetary assets	
335	Prepayments - Insurance	298
<u>335</u>		<u>298</u>
	Assets retained for the charity's own use	
	General equipment.	
	Goupi G3 electric vehicle, purchased 28/04/2020, cost £15,600	
	Liabilities	
-	Creditors - Independent examination	(456)
<u>-</u>		<u>(456)</u>

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed *SB Lee*
Stephen Lee, Trustee

Dated 23rd June 2023

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Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2023

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. Grants & donations

	£
London Borough of Hackney	15000
Sundry donations	7501
	<u>22501</u>

3. Trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

4. Glossary of terms

Creditors: These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.

Prepayments: These are services that the charity has paid for in advance, but not used during the accounting period.