

Hackney Tree People
(Registered charity, number 1168716)
Financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024

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**Hackney Tree People
Trustees' annual report
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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, until 02/09/2023
Sarah Lo
Natalie Sutton, from 02/09/2023

Stephen Lee, Treasurer, until 31/5/24
Annie Chipchase
Francisco Marcelo White
Felicity Jones, from 02/09/2023

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. New Trustees are recruited from being volunteers they are proposed and seconded by existing Trustees.

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.

Hackney Tree People

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

Within the year HTP organised multiple community tree planting sessions including the planting of six mini forests over two days in winter. HTP continues to maintain previously planted trees within the Hackney area and grow elm trees for the London Elms Project which aims to re-plant elms across the Capital by using disease resistant clones.

An ambitious propagation project was set up, grafting workshops produced new apple trees and a programme of winter orchard pruning was undertaken in parks with local volunteers.

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. With the help of a grant, HTP installed a new automatic irrigation system which will free up volunteers to do other tasks, provide consistent watering and save water. HTP are progressing discussions with The London Borough of Hackney to develop new facilities at the nursery.

Financial review

As can be seen below, The HTP have had a good year with plenty of activity. A large school project saw the income and expenditure to be increased as did the start of the irrigation project.

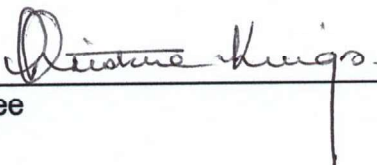
The charity's policy on reserves

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____

Christine Kings, Trustee



Date 1 July 2024

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Hackney Tree People
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Hackney Tree People (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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').

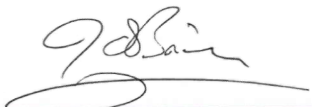
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 08/07/2024
John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

Hackney Tree People
Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 March 2024

2023 £		Note	2024 £
	Receipts		
22501	Grants & donations	2	19266
11800	Consultancy work		11800
-	School projects income		11250
2785	Tree sales		639
150	Trees sponsored		-
211	Plant & shrub sales		-
161	Beekeeping sales		-
270	T shirt sales		20
2584	Calendar sales		53
6	Bank interest		107
455	Miscellaneous		300
<u>40923</u>	Total receipts		<u>43435</u>
	Payments		
2078	Horticultural supplies		5090
-	Tree nursery site maintenance		3466
1737	Vehicle maintenance		2379
6583	Equipment, repairs & renewals		1867
927	Insurance (vehicle & site/activities)		870
226	Volunteer provisions		363
2125	Events, projects & activities		13314
637	Website & social media		222
1865	Publications & printing		927
70	Publicity materials		-
150	Administration		605
674	Training (first aid & other)		804
-	Professional fees		456
10957	Consultancy		10944
-	Bank charges		60
92	Sundry payments		959
<u>28121</u>	Total payments		<u>42326</u>
12802	Net receipts/(payments)		1109
<u>39377</u>	Cash funds at start of this period		<u>52179</u>
<u>52179</u>	Cash funds at end of this period		<u>53288</u>

**Hackney Tree People
Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 March 2024**

2023		2024
£		£
52092	Cash assets	53284
87	Bank accounts	4
<u>52179</u>	Cash in hand	<u>53288</u>
	Other monetary assets	
298	Prepayments - Insurance	277
<u>298</u>		<u>277</u>
	Assets retained for the charity's own use	
	General equipment.	
	Goupi G3 Electrical vehicle, purchased 28/04/2020, cost £15,600	
	Liabilities	
(456)	Creditors - Independent examination	(504)
<u>(456)</u>		<u>(504)</u>

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

Signed Christine Kings
Christine Kings, Trustee

Dated 1 July 2024

**Hackney Tree People
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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 grants & donations	4266
	<u>19266</u>

3. Trustees' remuneration

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

4. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the period.

5. 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.