

Chairman's Report 2023

The Park, Kilnwick

Charity No 1168729

The Park, Kilnwick started off as a project about 8 years ago when the land unexpectedly came up for sale. The idea of a park to create a communal green space had been floated many times previously: the opportunity afforded by this neglected field galvanised the village into the largest community effort anyone could remember, and The Park was successfully opened in 2017.

Today, the 6.5 acre site comprises a central playing field surrounded on three sides by maturing woodland, a play area for children with swings etc., an orchard, a wild life pond, a dog exercise area and much more. It is the focal point for outdoor local events and the Parklings youth club and also provides a diverse range of habitats for wild life.

With excitement building in the village around the coronation of King Charles, a weekend of celebration was planned for the village hall and The Park. The marquee was erected and people came with picnics and enjoyed an afternoon with a communal barbecue, games, sports day, tug o war (popular with all age groups) and a colour run.

The Parklings youth club continues to be very active and a £2000 Positive Activities Grant was awarded by East Riding Council. Activities have included nature ramble, boat race in the local beck, sports day, Easter crafts, wreath making, Lab rascals science experiments, animal handling, Halloween party, giant bubbles, tie dye clothing, and fossil hunting on a local beach.

The play equipment inspections and maintenance is an ongoing activity carried out by trustees to ensure that a visit to The Park is safe and enjoyable. A recent ROSPA inspection was carried out with no significant adverse findings. Financially, The Park remains in a sound position.

At the recent AGM, I stepped down as Chairman, having held this position since the charity was created, and a new chairman was elected to the board of trustees. All of the other trustees agreed to stay on for another year and thus a broad range of ages and young families remains represented.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the trustees and volunteers, past and present, for their continuing dedication and support, without which The Park couldn't operate.

Tim Bristow, former Chairman of The Park, Kilnwick charity, December 2023.

**THE PARK, KILNWICK
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2022 Total Funds £
Receipts				
Charitable Donations and grants	24	4,000	4,024	143
Fundraising events	14	0	14	
Total Receipts	38	4,000	4,038	143
Payments				
Land preparation, fencing, trees & landscaping	312	0	312	2,034
Events	-93	0	-93	240
Play equipment	183	352	535	794
Children's activities	-40	1,287	1,247	202
Stationery and miscellaneous	177	0	177	2,418
Insurance	449	0	449	341
Subscriptions	187	0	187	100
Legal and professional fees	0	0	0	
Total payments	1,176	1,638	2,815	6,130
Net surplus of receipts over payments for the period	-1,138	2,362	1,223	-5,987
Cash funds brought forward at beginning of period	18,033	78	18,111	24,098
Net surplus / (deficit) for the period	-1,138	2,362	1,223	-5,987
Cash funds carried forward at end of period	16,895	2,440	19,334	18,111

**THE PARK, KILNWICK
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2022 Total Funds £
Assets				
Bank & Cash Funds				
Bank balances	16,789	2,439	19,228	17,961
Cash balances	106	0	106	150
Total bank & cash funds	16,895	2,439	19,334	18,111
			0	
Other Monetary Assets				
Grant income due to the charity	0	0	0	0
Assets retained for the charity's own use				
Land, at market value upon gift	0	45,000	45,000	45,000