

Chairman's Report 2025

The Park, Kilnwick

Charity No 1168729

During a recent walk around The Park I looked at what has been created in the last 7 years and thought how lucky we are to have such a beautiful space at the heart of our village. The Park continues to mature nicely with the trees growing well and starting to feel like an established wood. The playing field and playground areas are looking neat, well kept and tidy: I'd like to say a special thank you to David and Ben for grass cutting. The fruit trees are now starting to produce a good amount of fruit and hope next year we can start making some community produce.

The Parklings youth club has again been very active this year. The Positive activities grant was successfully applied for. Parklings have had some lovely days out to local water parks and other outings, as well as a great camp out in the summer.

We continue to have some successful maintenance days to keep hedges etc looking smart. It has been great to see new people from the village helping out. The slide mound has been regularly mowed and topped up with top soil then grassed and is looking in a lot better shape. The tunnel mound has had similar treatment recently, and by the spring will be looking great. Plaques continued to be repaired and in some cases tied to trees. The play equipment is in good order and regularly inspected by trustees. The annual ROSPA inspection has been completed with only a few minor recommendations. The toddler swing has just had a new basket fitted.

Sadly we had some vandalism to trees, but the community rallied round and new trees have been planted.

The land transfer to the Charity ownership is still with solicitors, the matter being complicated by a legal agreement when purchasing the land. Thankfully this is nearly completed.

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.

Susannah Bristow, Chairman, The Park Kilnwick, November 2025

THE PARK, KILNWICK
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Receipts				
Charitable Donations and grants	1860	2500	4360	49
Fundraising events	0	0	0	0
Total Receipts	1860	2500	4360	49
Payments				
Land preparation, fencing, trees & landscaping	3375	130	3505	143
Events	0	421	421	0
Play equipment	0	310	310	341
Children's activities	0	1,724	1,724	1,713
Stationery and miscellaneous	221	0	221	370
Insurance	491	0	491	484
Subscriptions	24	0	24	116
Legal and professional fees	1247	0	1247	
Total payments	5358	2,585	7,943	3,167
Net surplus of receipts over payments for the period	-3498	-85	-3,583	-3,118
Cash funds brought forward at beginning of period	16,056	158	16,214	19,334
Net surplus / (deficit) for the period	-3498	-85	-3,583	-3,118
Cash funds carried forward at end of period	12,558	73	12,631	16,216

THE PARK, KILNWICK
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Assets				
Bank & Cash Funds				
Bank balances	12,473	73	12,546	16,118
Cash balances	85	0	85	98
Total bank & cash funds	12,558	73	12,631	16,216
Assets retained for the charity's own use				
Land, at market value upon gift	0	45,000	45,000	45,000

These financial statements have been approved by the trustees and are signed on their behalf:

Trustee:

David Smith

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Trustee:

Tim Bristow

[Signature]

Date:

26th Nov 2025

Date:

23rd Dec 2025