



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report
on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

FRIENDS OF BELHAM

On accounts for the year
ended

31 AUGUST 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1168767

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2024

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust'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

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

25/5/2025

Name:

ALEXANDRA GREEN

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

FCA (RETIRED)

Address:

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CAMBRIDGE

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Friends of Belham Trustees' Annual Report 2023-2024

Period Start date: 01/09/2023

Period End Date: 31/08/2024

Charity name: Friends of Belham

Charity number: 1168767



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Objectives and Activities	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	The purpose of Friends of Belham (FoB) is to advance the education of pupils at The Belham Primary School (the School) in particular by: - Developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school; - Engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Organising family and parent events for the school community: fun run, ceilidh, egg hunt, school fairs, disco, quiz night, camping weekend, community lunches and bake sales.2. Fundraising to purchase equipment or services which support the school and the education of the pupils, and to support families of Belham pupils who are experiencing financial difficulty. <p>In the year 2023-24, FoB had income of £49,587.69 and expenditure of £42,305.88.</p> <p>Net fundraising income was £24,676.44.</p>

	<p>The top 10 sources of net fundraising income were:</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>- Camping (Jul 2024)</td><td>£4,022.18</td></tr> <tr><td>- Winter Fair (Dec 2023)</td><td>£3,408.75</td></tr> <tr><td>- Summer Fair (Jun 2024)</td><td>£2,308.97</td></tr> <tr><td>- Disco (Mar 2024)</td><td>£2,005.28</td></tr> <tr><td>- Christmas tree (Dec 2024)</td><td>£1,969.34</td></tr> <tr><td>- Fun Run (Sep 2023)</td><td>£1,916.55</td></tr> <tr><td>- Ceilidh (Jan 2024)</td><td>£1,683.08</td></tr> <tr><td>- Quiz night/raffle (Feb 2024)</td><td>£1,355.90</td></tr> <tr><td>- Bake sale (Mar 2024)</td><td>£973.38</td></tr> <tr><td>- Bake sale (Sep 2023)</td><td>£648.54</td></tr> </table> <p>Net funding from other events totalled £4,384.47. These events included an outdoor cinema and talk by Jeffrey Boakye for Black History Month, Mothers' Day flowers, egg hunt, Christmas cards, bake sales, second-hand uniform sales, parents' drinks, class tea towels, Y6 yearbooks, hoodies, Y6 leavers' prom,</p> <p>Other revenue and expenditure was £3,313.43</p> <p>Other revenue items:</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>- Ticket revenue collected for school play (to be repaid to school in 2024-25)</td><td>£2,429.39</td></tr> <tr><td>- Gift Aid collected from previous years' events</td><td>£475.55</td></tr> <tr><td>- Parent donations not associated with an event</td><td>£429.03</td></tr> <tr><td>- Third-party fundraising (Easyfundraising)</td><td>£259.34</td></tr> <tr><td>- Interest income on savings account</td><td>£217.74</td></tr> <tr><td>- Donation income from loan of FoB resources</td><td>£87.58</td></tr> </table> <p>Other expenditure items:</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>- One-off purchases/repairs of stock</td><td>£231.20</td></tr> <tr><td>- Justgiving monthly subscription</td><td>£216.00</td></tr> <tr><td>- Parentkind membership</td><td>£140.00</td></tr> <tr><td>- One-off purchases/repairs of stock</td><td>£272.40</td></tr> </table> <p>To further the purpose of FoB to enhance the education of the pupils, donations to the School totalled £20,708.06</p> <p>The items that FoB paid for were:</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>- Laptops x30</td><td>£6,820.44</td></tr> <tr><td>- School theatre trips</td><td>£4,406.50</td></tr> <tr><td>- Reception phonics resources</td><td>£2,332.74</td></tr> <tr><td>- Before-school sports clubs</td><td>£1,500.00</td></tr> <tr><td>- SEND resources and trips</td><td>£1,379.80</td></tr> <tr><td>- Y6 perf. venue hire (22-23)</td><td>£1,077.50</td></tr> <tr><td>- Emergency Support payouts</td><td>£1,005.49</td></tr> <tr><td>- Y6 performance license fee</td><td>£478.00</td></tr> <tr><td>- Sports day lollies</td><td>£451.02</td></tr> <tr><td>- Sketchbooks for classrooms</td><td>£439.96</td></tr> <tr><td>- Jeffrey Boakye workshops</td><td>£395.00</td></tr> <tr><td>- Halal fridge for school kitchen</td><td>£266.57</td></tr> <tr><td>- Playground mural</td><td>£101.83</td></tr> <tr><td>- Repairs</td><td>£53.21</td></tr> </table>	- Camping (Jul 2024)	£4,022.18	- Winter Fair (Dec 2023)	£3,408.75	- Summer Fair (Jun 2024)	£2,308.97	- Disco (Mar 2024)	£2,005.28	- Christmas tree (Dec 2024)	£1,969.34	- Fun Run (Sep 2023)	£1,916.55	- Ceilidh (Jan 2024)	£1,683.08	- Quiz night/raffle (Feb 2024)	£1,355.90	- Bake sale (Mar 2024)	£973.38	- Bake sale (Sep 2023)	£648.54	- Ticket revenue collected for school play (to be repaid to school in 2024-25)	£2,429.39	- Gift Aid collected from previous years' events	£475.55	- Parent donations not associated with an event	£429.03	- Third-party fundraising (Easyfundraising)	£259.34	- Interest income on savings account	£217.74	- Donation income from loan of FoB resources	£87.58	- One-off purchases/repairs of stock	£231.20	- Justgiving monthly subscription	£216.00	- Parentkind membership	£140.00	- One-off purchases/repairs of stock	£272.40	- Laptops x30	£6,820.44	- School theatre trips	£4,406.50	- Reception phonics resources	£2,332.74	- Before-school sports clubs	£1,500.00	- SEND resources and trips	£1,379.80	- Y6 perf. venue hire (22-23)	£1,077.50	- Emergency Support payouts	£1,005.49	- Y6 performance license fee	£478.00	- Sports day lollies	£451.02	- Sketchbooks for classrooms	£439.96	- Jeffrey Boakye workshops	£395.00	- Halal fridge for school kitchen	£266.57	- Playground mural	£101.83	- Repairs	£53.21
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Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the	The trustees had due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance when they exercised their powers and duties. All activities have been in accordance with the charity's purposes.																																																																				

Charity Commission on public benefit	Social and fundraising events have been open to all members of the school community, and in some cases the wider local community. Expenditure of funds has been for the benefit of pupils at the school. There has been no personal benefit to the trustees.
Contribution made by volunteers	Friends of Belham is entirely reliant on the contribution of volunteers, mostly parents and carers of children at the school. All the trustees are volunteers. Class representatives volunteer their time to help coordinate communication and activities in their respective classes, and often attend and contribute to committee meetings. Many volunteers help with the running of events.

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.

The social events held by Friends of Belham have enhanced the school community, giving parents, carers, pupils and their siblings a chance to meet and socialise. Activities also promote social good, for example through the organisation of the Fun Run promoting sport and healthy exercise, or the organisation of second-hand uniform sales, promoting sustainability in the community. Events also promote local volunteerism, with numerous parent volunteers involved across the year at various events.

School Fairs held in summer and winter and the outdoor cinema are also open to the wider local community, offering a chance for them to engage with and support the school.

Spending of funds has gone towards advancing the education of the pupils through the enhancement of the school environment, facilities and the experience of all pupils.

The charity has also aimed to define and promote its values through its ethical policy. This is shared on the school website. Ethical values are promoted in all aspects of fundraising activities. This year, this included an emphasis on environmental protection through organisation of multiple second-hand uniform sales. This year, 81% of the charity's commercial expenditure was with local or independent businesses, a 5 percentage point (pp) improvement on the previous financial year and a 12pp improvement on 2021/22.

An emphasis has been made on ensuring events are accessible to low-income families by keeping entry fees low or zero for most events, with the option to donate. The charity also pays for leavers' hoodies and yearbooks for pupil premium families and subsidises the Y6 leavers' prom.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

The charity had cash balances and reserves of £38,345.55 at end-year (31 Aug 2024) and no other assets or liabilities.

Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held

Reserves are held to fund future funding requests from the school.

Amount of reserves held

£38,345.55 of which:

- £13,427.12 restricted
 - STEAM restricted fund £8,562.00
 - The Lane restricted fund £4,641.29
 - Makers Room restricted fund £223.83
- £24,918.43 unrestricted
 - Pending payments to school £4,560.20
 - Free reserve £20,358.23

Reasons for holding zero reserves	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	n/a

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Structure, Governance and Management	
Description of charity's trusts:	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	<p>PTA-UK Model Constitution for Parent Teacher Associations (England and Wales) (Nov 2011 version) adopted Nov 2015.</p> <p>As of 18 Nov 2020: Parentkind Model Constitution for Parent Teacher Associations in England and Wales (Feb 2018 version, as modified 18 Nov 2020)</p>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Unincorporated association with wider membership (parents and carers of school pupils and anyone else who has been accepted as a member)
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Trustees are elected by the members of Friends of Belham at an annual AGM, or may be co-opted to the committee by committee members/trustees at any time, and co-opted committee members/trustees shall serve until the date of the next AGM.

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Reference and Administrative details	
Charity name	Friends of Belham
Other name the charity uses	n/a
Registered charity number	1168767
Charity's principal address	Belham Primary School 165 Bellenden Road LONDON SE15 4DG

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Chantelle Edwards	Chair (until Nov 2023) Co-Chair (from Nov 2023)	18 Nov 2021 – ongoing*	Members of FoB
2	Joan Hillman	Co-Chair	16 Nov 2023 – ongoing*	Members of FoB
3	Douglas Renwick	Treasurer	18 Nov 2021 – ongoing*	Members of FoB
4	Lindsey Wales		16 Nov 2023 – 25 Apr 2024	Members of FoB
5	Isabelle Wood		16 Nov 2023 – 25 Apr 2024	Members of FoB
6	Libby Sarsfield		16 Nov 2023 – 25 Apr 2024	Members of FoB
7	Shereen Davis		16 Nov 2023 – 26 Mar 2024	Members of FoB
8	Brendan Feeney		16 Nov 2023 – 25 Feb 2024	Members of FoB
9	Rachel Noar	Secretary	18 Nov 2021 – 16 Nov 2023	Members of FoB
10	Lucy Beedham		18 Nov 2021 – 16 Nov 2023	Members of FoB
11	Rose McDonnell		23 Nov 2022 – 16 Nov 2023	Members of FoB
12	Sarah Marien		23 Nov 2022 – 16 Nov 2023	Members of FoB

*as of end of financial year (31 Aug 2024)



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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others	
Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Chantelle Edwards	Douglas Renwick
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Co-Chair	Treasurer
Date	14 Nov 2024	14 Nov 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

FRIENDS OF BELHAM

1168767

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/09/2023


To

31/08/2024

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					
Total receipts	45,528	4,060	-	49,588	45,590
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	45,528	4,060	-	49,588	45,590
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	45,528	4,060	-	49,588	45,590
A3 Payments					
Total payments	36,609	5,697	-	42,306	38,050
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	36,609	5,697	-	42,306	38,050
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	36,609	5,697	-	42,306	38,050
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,919	- 1,637	-	7,282	7,540
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,000	15,064	-	31,064	23,523
Cash funds this year end	24,918	13,427	-	38,346	31,064

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 balance	12,079	927	-
	Savings account balance	12,500	12,500	-
	Cash box	340	-	-
	Total cash funds	24,918	13,427	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
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	
		Douglas Renwick	31/12/2024	