



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 05/04/24 To 04/04/25

Charity name: Friends of Markeaton Park

Charity registration number:1168828

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To enhance and assist in the conservation of Markeaton Park, particularly the walled garden and provide a welcoming, peaceful and nature abundant space for the community in Derby and the surrounding area to enjoy.
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.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Activities include access to the walled garden for specified hours on 5 days per week; guided walks around the wider park; a music and flower festival in summer and Christmas Craft Fair in winter. We also grow plants and produce for the public to purchase.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees have access to guidance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	NA
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	NA
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers work in the walled garden during the times it is open and assist with other fund raising events.

Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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.	Para 1.20	<p>We gained an outstanding level RHS 'In your neighbourhood' award.</p> <p>Green Flag community award.</p> <p>Continued improvement of the walled garden.</p> <p>Working with volunteer groups from local businesses and other community groups.</p> <p>Provide, at reasonable cost, plants and produce for visitors to the garden.</p> <p>Provide a space for people to enjoy the outdoors; being active and making friends.</p> <p>Provide gardening advice for visitors during open sessions and as specific workshops, e.g. Wreath Making at Christmas.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Funds raised from the sale of plants and produce, guided walks and charges for stall holders at festivals are used to improve visitor experience of the Park.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Money spent to enhance enjoyment of the walled garden and wider park.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Solvent. Funds £15,598 Exp enditure £6,623 Receipts £6,151
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves to cover cost of any major incident e.g. flooding/ storm damage.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£5,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	NA
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	NA
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no financial concerns but recruitment of new trustees remains problematic.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Sales of produce and plants. Fund raising events. Donations.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Funds used to maintain and improve the Walled Garden.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Trustee recruitment
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
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	Para 1.25	Our volunteer base is the main source of recruitment for trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Trustees meet once a month to discuss maintenance and management of all aspects of the garden and also to plan events for fund raising and discuss new ideas.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Lease the walled garden from Derby City Council and work with our designated Parks Officer on all aspects of maintenance of the garden and fundraising events.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friends of Markeaton Park
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1168828
Charity's principal address	Walled Garden Markeaton Park Derby DE22 3BG

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	Mel Bayes	Chair		
2	Sarah Fowler	Vice Chair		
3	Linda Reid			
4	Janet Dent			
5	Chris Gear			
6	Anne Morgan			
7	Linda Proud			
8	Peter McRorie			
9	Paul Morley			
10	Susan Beech	Secretary		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
	NA	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	NA
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

<i>M Byles</i>	<i>S Fowler</i>
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Full name(s)

MELANIE BAYES	SARAH FOWLER
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

CHAIR	VICE CHAIR
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Date

31/9/25



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Friends of Markeaton Park

1168828

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

05/04/2024

To

Period end date

04/04/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to the nearest £	Restricted to the nearest £	Endowment to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sales	3354	-	-	3,354	3,866
Events	2623	-	-	2,623	1,872
Trips	0	-	-	-	-
Donations	174	-	-	174	168
Grants Received	0	-	-	-	-
Sub total (GROSS income for)	6151	-	-	6,151	5,906
A2 Asset and investment sales,					
	0	-	-	-	-
	0	-	-	-	-
Sub total	0	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6151	-	-	6,151	5,906
A3 Payments					
	0	-	-	-	-
Cost of Sales	319	-	-	319	378
Garden Maintenance	4994	-	-	4,994	5,205
Events costs	467	-	-	467	702
Trips cost	0	-	-	-	-
Insurance	262	-	-	262	259
Volunteers costs	242	-	-	242	354
Lease	0	-	-	-	-
Stationery and other costs	339	-	-	339	272
Lease legal costs	0	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	6,623	-	-	6,623	7,170
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	6,623	-	-	6,623	7,170
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 472	-	-	- 472	- 1,264
A5 Transfers between funds					
	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,070	-	-	16,070	17,334
Cash funds this year end	15,598.00	-	-	15,598	16,070

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted to nearest £	Endowment to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	Bank	15,573	-	-
	Cash	25	-	-
		-	-	-

Total cash funds	15,598.00	-	-
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(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Unrestricted
funds
to nearest £

Restricted
funds
to nearest £

Endowment
funds
to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

Details

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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B5 Liabilities

Details

Details	Fund to which	Amount due	When due
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on

Signature	Print Name	Date of
M Breen	MELODIE BAYES	3/9/25
S Fowler	SARAH FAWLER	3/9/25