



Friends of Hamworthy Park

Trustees Annual Report and Accounts for year ended 31st December 2024

Reference and Administration Details.

CIO's name:

Friends of Hamworthy Park (FoHP)

CIO's principal address:

Friends Of Hamworthy Park

c/o The Café In The Park

Hamworthy Park

Lulworth Avenue

Poole

Dorset

BH15 4DH

Trustees:

Helen Craig (Acting Chair)

Fiona Rainback (Treasurer)

Laeila Hocking (Secretary)

Ian Fraser (Trustee)

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Structure, Governance and Management

Friends of Hamworthy Park is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) which was created and registered with the Charity Commission on 17th October 2017 and approved by the members on 23rd November 2017 when membership and assets were transferred to the new CIO.

Friends of Hamworthy Park is a membership-based organisation. Membership of the CIO is open to anyone who is interested in furthering its purposes.

The objective of the CIO is:

For the benefit of the inhabitants of Hamworthy and the surrounding area ('the area of benefit') to provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupation in the interests of social welfare with the object of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants of the area of benefit in particular but not exclusively by the preservation, promotion, support, assistance and improvement of Hamworthy Park and other local open spaces.

The trustees have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing objectives and when planning future activities. The trustees are satisfied that the charity meets the Charity Commission's public benefit test.

Achievements and Performance

Once again, 2024 saw a good fund-raising calendar. In addition to the usual ongoing fundraising events the CIO re-designed the FOHP logo to give it a fresher and more fun feel to the charity.

Trustees and Volunteers ongoing maintenance and minor repair work:

- Litter picking
- Dog poo picking
- Maintaining the flowerbed in front of the cafe
- Maintaining the Ashmore Ave flower bed
- Bulb planting
- Maintaining the Blandford Road planters

Once again, we thank all volunteers who helped us during 2024.

Summer Fete

Due to fundamental changes in the Trustee structure in 2024, it was decided that the 2024 fete be given to an external events management company to host, with the trustees taking a back-seat role.

It ended up being a very costly and stressful endeavour on the part of the charity.

Many lessons were learned and although a very small profit was raised, it proved to be a difficult process for the charity. After a lot of careful consideration, it was decided that the charity would need a significant number of skilled trustees and volunteers in future years to make it work. Without significant support and an influx of volunteers and trustees, it was decided that a fete in 2025 would prove very difficult to put on.

Paddling Pool

The paddling pool season was once again a great success, although afterwards BCP announced that BCP cannot fund the paddling pool past 2025 unless significant donations were raised to support the opening in future years.

Wider Park Enhancements

With relationships with the local schools, 4 new benches were designed and made, placed around the swimming pool perimeter. These beautiful benches are now a wonderful centrepiece to the paddling pool area and a great talking point.

Community Engagement and other local projects

Bluebell Woods

FoHP has continued to support the Bluebell Woods project at St Michael's Church.

Future projects

Saving the Paddling Pool for Future Years

The key project going forwards will be securing the future of the paddling pool, following the news that BCP would no longer fund the paddling pool. Key to this project will be understanding the annual running costs of the paddling pool and launching major fund raising campaigns to secure the monies to enable the paddling pool to remain open.

Financial Review

FoHP has a Santander Business Account and a Savings Account for its Main Account and a Santander Business Account and a Savings Account for the paddling pool project. Funds in the Paddling Poole Account are restricted.

The charity's income for the period totalled £16,455.86

Expenditure: During the period, payments made by the charity totalled £7956.99

Declaration:

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's trustees.

Malcolm Swords

Treasurer

FoHP Trustee

FRIENDS OF HAMWORTHY PARK ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Business Accounts (unrestricted Funds)

Financial statement for the period 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024

Balance carried forward from previous year £22,232.05

Income (£) Expenditure (£)

Fundraising £4044.00

Activity costs £960.00

Grants £7870.00

Bank Interest £117.50

Total Income: £15,744.46

Total Expenditure £7956.99

Income over Expenditure: (£7787.47)

Balance at 31st December 2024 £22,232.05

Funds held as follows: Reserve Account £9269.17

Current Account £10,923.95

Paddling pool £2038.93

Total £22,232.05

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024

The following notes provide additional analysis to assist with the understanding of the accounts.

1. Basis of preparation

As a CIO, the charity is required to follow accounting and reporting requirements set out by

charity law. As the charity's income is below £250,000, it is permitted to prepare the accounts on

a receipts and payments basis. The charity has therefore chosen to present receipts and

payments accounts.

2. Independent examination of account

An Audit or independent examination is only required if the charity's gross income is over

£25,000. The trustees have therefore decided not to have an independent examination performed in accordance with the Charity Commission's guidance set out in 'Independent examination of charity accounts: examiners (CC32)'.

3. Notes specific to the Financial Statement 31st December 2024

a) Fundraising income includes all income from the sale of publicity items (cards, calendars, coasters, keyrings, etc)

b) Collecting tin income includes that from tins placed with local businesses.

c) Other donations include all income received from individual donors, gate QR codes and donations via the website.

d) Fundraising costs is the expenditure incurred purchasing materials and items for use or sale at fundraising events.

Balance Sheet

The Friends of Hamworthy Park As at 31 December 2024

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Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets

Equipment	2,270.00
Total Tangible Assets	2,270.00

Total Fixed Assets	2,270.00
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Current Assets

Cash at bank and in hand

09012909718397 (Paddling Pool)	2,038.93
09012929604889	9,269.17
Main - 09012929604339	10,923.95
Petty Cash	1,159.83
Total Cash at bank and in hand	23,391.88

Total Current Assets	23,391.88
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Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

Accounts Payable	1,256.30
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1,256.30

Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	22,135.58
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Total Assets less Current Liabilities	24,405.58
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Net Assets	24,405.58
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Capital and Reserves

Current Year Earnings	7,787.47
Restricted Funds	2,017.75
Unrestricted Funds	14,600.36
Total Capital and Reserves	24,405.58