

# **Trustees Annual Report East Pines Park 2019 – 2020**

## **Introduction**

Without doubt this year has been a huge challenge for our Park and the community that used it. During the pandemic, the cafe and play ground was closed as well as all volunteer activities on the ground suspended.

Despite all of the challenges we have faced, the Park has grown in completely new ways and reached out to support the community who were either isolating with Bags of Hope or thanking the key workers with Thank you bags or giving out Pots of Hope to residents who had lost someone.

Tier 3 challenges continue at the time of writing with all volunteer activity currently suspended but a huge amount of work has been undertaken to ensure as soon we are allowed the volunteers will return and ensure the Park continues to be seen as a solution to a lot of the mental and physical health challenges that have risen during the covid pandemic.

Never has our Park been more needed.

**Paul Galley Chair of the Friends Group 19/12/20**

## **Summary of activity**

The year started on a high following the grant from the Vera Wolsencroft Foundation to buy and install a new slide and resurface the whole playground. The work was carried out in February and the playground looks and feels great, the project has really lifted the whole Park.

Sadly the consequences of the Covid 19 pandemic forced us to suspend all volunteering activities after March 17<sup>th</sup> as well as the closure of our Cafe and the Playground.

During the lockdown the Park was used by many and we reinvented ourselves as a group to support the local community who were shielding and isolated as well as key workers to provide over 150 Thank You and Bags of Hope, we also provided over 150 Pots of Hope with the support of our isolated Green Team to members and sadly there were many who had lost someone during the pandemic.

Through out the lockdown even though the playground was closed the Park was seen as a life line by many just to be in a community green space and we are extremely proud our Park played in helping many by being a green friend to all.

Our volunteers were able to return in July, sadly the Green Team were isolated so a core six volunteers worked in some terrible conditions to try and restore the Parks flower beds which following the pandemic were very over grown. We are extremely proud of the six volunteers for their work and commitment in such difficult circumstances.

Around October the Library and Cafe reopened and became a beacon of light although the cafe had to close in early November as we entered tier 3.

During tier 3 one volunteer who had previously been a carpenter asked to work in the polytunnel alone to make some wooden planters, the success of his work has been appreciated by many and we are now looking at creating a wood work team to really support residents who would like to get involved as well as raise funds for the playground.

A final highlight of a very difficult year was winning the Swallowdale award of £4000 in partnership with the Blackpool Gazette, it came at a tough time for us and was a great lift. We can't wait to see the work carried out and use it to inspire and educate young minds that use our playground.

## **Values**

Our Park values are needed more than ever as we support our volunteers, support the surrounding Park community and support the local economy with nearly all of our spending spent with businesses within a ten mile radius of the Park.

## **Covid Impact**

- The loss of our Green Team
- Closure of the cafe
- Closure of the Playground
- Cessation of all volunteer activity in the Park itself
- Creation of a wood work group
- New volunteers and stronger links with the wider community that live around the Park and not just the users of the Park.

## **Future**

Despite all the pain and loss of 2020, as a charity and a Park we enter the new financial year in a strong and robust position.

Our accounts are in a healthy position with ear marked reserves committed to delivering the following projects:

- New painted educational surfacing in the Playground
- Painted railings around the playground
- New plants for the Park gardens
- New website
- The adoption of 3 Pocket Parks in the local community.
- New wood work group
- and relaunch of FC East Pines
- Grant areas we are keen to source are for more playground equipment especially the replacement springers and a roundabout which would give us a complete playground.

- Other core priorities are the reopening of the Cafe once Covid rules allow and the return of our much loved Green Team volunteers.

## **Friends of Eastpines Park**

### **Bank Account - Santander - 87115181 - 09-01-5**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Payor /Payee</b>
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Opening Balance as at 1 August 2014

Nov-14	Blackpool Council
Dec-14	Acorn Woodcrafts
Feb-15	Blackpool Council
Mar-15	Queensdeans Charity
Mar-15	Duchy of Lancaster
May-15	Michelle Backhouse
Jul-15	Sages Hardware store
Aug-15	Paul Galley
Aug-15	Michelle Backhouse
Dec-15	Blackpool Council
Dec-15	Blackpool Council
Dec-15	Michelle Backhouse
Jun-16	Sport England / Lottery Fund
Jun-16	Michelle Backhouse
Aug-16	Michelle Backhouse
Aug-16	Sport Blackpool / Blackpool Council
Aug-16	Sport Blackpool / Blackpool Council
Aug-16	Sport Blackpool / Blackpool Council
Aug-16	Sport Blackpool / Blackpool Council
Aug-16	Sport Blackpool / Blackpool Council
Oct-16	Michelle Backhouse
Oct-16	Acorn Woodcrafts
Nov-16	Lancashire Environmental Trust
Nov-16	Paul Galley
Jan-17	Friends Cash transfer to bank account
Jan-17	Blackpool Council
Jan-17	Steelcraft Gates Ltd
Feb-17	Tesco
Feb-17	Barbara Goulding
Apr-17	Steelcraft Gates Ltd
Apr-17	Sages Hardware store
Apr-17	Michelle Backhouse
Apr-17	Michelle Backhouse
Apr-17	Sages Hardware Store
May-17	Community Foundation
May-17	Sages Hardware Store
May-17	Tesco
Jun-17	Steelcraft Gates Ltd
Jun-17	Barbara Goulding
Jul-17	Groundworks UK (OneStop)
Jul-17	Just Giving
Jul-17	Lancashire Police & Crime Commissioner
Jul-17	Paul Maynard MP
Jul-17	Northern Glass Ltd
Oct-17	Barbara Goulding
Oct-17	Michelle Backhouse
Oct-17	Member of public

Nov-17	Michelle Backhouse
Nov-17	Blackpool Council
Nov-17	Blackpool Council
Dec - 17	AMF Lawns
Feb - 18	Tesco
Mar - 18	Paul Galley
Mar - 18	Paul Galley
Mar - 18	Paul Galley
Mar - 18	Warburtons
Apr - 18	Awards for All (Lottery)
Apr - 18	Michelle Backhouse
May - 18	Fylde Coast Cricket Society
May - 18	Blackpool Council
May - 18	Blackpool Council
May - 18	Michelle Backhouse
Jul-18	Woodward Charitable Trust
Jul - 18	Aviva
Aug - 18	Paul Galley
Aug - 18	Michelle Backhouse
Aug - 18	Postcode Lottery
Aug - 18	Barbara Goulding
Sep - 18	Awards for All (Lottery)
Sep - 18	Blackpool Council
Oct-18	Michelle Backhouse
Nov-18	Glasdon's Plastics
Dec - 18	Bt My Donate
Dec - 18	Michelle Backhouse
Dec - 18	Michelle Backhouse
Dec - 18	Glasdon's Plastics
Jan-19	Blackpool Council
Jan-19	Blackpool Council
Jan-19	Michelle Backhouse
Jan - 19	Paul Galley
Jan - 19	Paul Galley
Feb - 19	Blackpool Council
Feb - 19	Michelle Backhouse
Feb - 19	Michelle Backhouse
Mar - 19	Sport Blackpool / Blackpool Council
Mar- 19	Michelle Backhouse
Apr - 19	Lancashire Police & Crime Commissioner
Apr - 19	Co - Op Community Fund
May - 19	Sport England / Lottery Fund
May - 19	Lancashire Environmental Trust
May - 19	Michelle Backhouse
May - 19	Michelle Backhouse
May - 19	Paul Galley
May - 19	Paul Galley
June - 19	Dale Casser
June - 19	Michelle Backhouse
July - 19	Dale Casser
July - 19	TK Maxx
July - 19	Paul Galley
July - 19	Dale Casser
Aug - 19	Paul Wilshaw
Aug - 19	Warburtons
Aug - 19	Facebook Donations

Sep – 19	Dale Casser
Sep – 19	Barbara Goulding
Sep – 19	Michelle Backhouse
Oct – 19	Paul Wilshaw
Oct – 19	Dale Casser
Oct – 19	Maureen Kippax
Oct – 19	Paypal
Oct – 19	Glasdon's Plastics
Oct – 19	Vera Wolstencroft foundation
Nov – 19	Co – Op Community Fund
Nov – 19	Member of public
Dec – 19	Michelle Backhouse
Jan – 20	WH Smith
Jan – 20	Michelle Backhouse
Jan- 20	Morrisons
Feb – 20	Paul Galley
Feb – 20	Blackpool Council
Feb – 20	Vera Wolstencroft foundation
Mar – 20	Michelle Backhouse
Mar – 20	Blackpool Council
Apr- 20	Warburtons
Apr – 20	Michelle Backhouse
Jun – 20	Lancashire Covid Recovery Support Fund
July – 20	Paypal
Jul – 20	Paypal
Jul- 20	Paul Galley
Jul – 20	Paul Galley
Aug – 20	Michelle Backhouse
Sep – 20	Michelle Backhouse
Sep – 20	Michelle Backhouse

## **Petty Cash**

## **Payor /Payee**

### **Date**

Opening Balance	Mrs Kippax
	Friends (for Warren Hub volunteers)
Mar-15	Friends (for Warren Hub volunteers)
Apr-15	B&M
Apr-15	Bucket Collection (cummunity event)
May-15	Raffle / Refreshments (cummunity event)
Jun-15	Home Bargains
Jun-15	Works
Jun-15	Tesco
Jun-15	Asda
Jun-15	Michelle Backhouse
Jun-15	Member of public
Jun-15	Member of public
Aug-15	Members of public
Aug-15	M&S
Aug-15	Poundland

Aug-15	Poundland
Aug-15	Home Bargains
Aug-15	One Stop
Aug-15	M&S
Aug-15	Home Bargains
Aug-15	Wilkinsons
Aug-15	Morrisons
Aug-15	Heron Foods
Aug-15	Tesco
Aug-15	Booths
Aug-15	Morrisons
Aug-15	Morrisons
Jun-July-Augus	Refreshment stall
Aug - Oct 16	Sport England money for prizes
Oct-16	Sports Direct & Poundland
Dec-16	Tramway Pub
Dec-16	Cash donated
Jan-17	Transfer to Friends of Eastpines Park Bank A

## **Summary of Accounts - January 2013 to Nov**

Funds as at August 2014

Funds as of November 2020

Made up of:

Bank Account Balance

Petty Cash

Total Funds

## Accounts from Ja

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Description	Payment Method	Income £
Bid income - new garden and reducing ASB	Cheque	3,000.00
Owl Carving	Cheque	
Overtime costs - removing hedges (Luton Rd)	Cheque	
Bid Income - new Park Garden (Luton Rd)	Cheque	400.00
Bid Income (plants for new garden - Luton Rd)	Cheque	400.00
6 plants for raised planters	Cheque	
345 plants for garden (Luton Rd)	Cheque	
Printed Photos - for public display	Cheque	
Food and drink for launch event	Cheque	
Railings manufacture and installation (Luton Rd)	Cheque	
Removal of hedges and posts (Luton Rd)	Cheque	
Bulbs	Cheque	
Bid income -to run sports programme in the Park	Bank Giro Credit	9,875.00
to buy stock for the refreshment table in the Park	Cheque	
Flyers posters and rewards	Cheque	
2 Promotional Sessions (2 hours per weeks x 8 weeks)	Cheque	
3 Coaching programmes (5 hours) per week 5 weeks	Cheque	
2 Continuations Sessions (2 Hours) per week x 6 weeks	Cheque	
Sporting Equipment	Cheque	
Flyers posters and rewards	Cheque	
Rewards	Cheque	
Owl Carving & Pussy Cat Carving plus installation and	Cheque	
Bee friendly Perennial plants for Learning Garden	Cheque	210
Purchase of Bee friendly perennial plants from Sages	Cheque	
Friends Cash transfer to bank account	Cheque	318
Railings manufacture and installation / Plants (Eastpi	Bank Giro Credit	6000
Deposit for railings manufacture and installation (Eas	Cheque	
Railings manufacture and installation / Plants (Eastpi	Bank Giro Credit	6000
Purchase of plants for Eastpines Garden	Bank Giro Credit	50
Railings manufacture and installation / Plants (Eastpi	Cheque	
Plants for new Eastpines Garden	Cheque	
Plants for new Eastpines Garden	Cheque	
Plants for new Eastpines Garden	Cheque	
Plants for new Eastpines Garden	Cheque	
Plants and bird boxes	Bank Giro Credit	398
Plants for new Eastpines Garden	Cheque	
Railings manufacture and installation / Plants (Eastpi	Bank Giro Credit	2000
Final payment for railings on Eastpines Drive side of	Cheque	
Purchase of plants for Park	Bank Giro Credit	50
Purchase and Installation of Noticeboard	Bank Giro Credit	1000
Online donations for playground	Bank Giro Credit	641.61
Donation to fund sports in the Park	Bank Giro Credit	1900
Donation for Playground	Cheque	100
Donation for Playground	Cheque	350
Purchase of plants for Park	Bank Giro Credit	50
Donation to Park	Cheque	57.43
Donation to Park	Cash	70



Purchase of plants for Eastpines Garden	Cheque	
Creation of the Library Garden linking Park to cafe	Bank Giro Credit	4836.65
Payment towards the installation of Noticeboard	Cheque	
Payment towards the creation of the Library Garden	Cheque	
Payment towards purchase of 3 new bins & paint	Bank Giro Credit	1000
Purchase of bamboo fencing for library garden	Cheque	
Purchase of bamboo fencing for library garden	Cheque	
Purchase of solar water fountain for Library Garden	Cheque	
Donation towards cost of summer sports programme	Bank Giro Credit	200
Donation for plants for Library Garden	Bank Giro Credit	471
Michelle Backhouse to purchase plants for library gar	Cheque	
Donation towards Park	Cheque	100
Paint for playground railings	Cheque	
3 dustbins for childrens playground	Cheque	
Purchase of display Board & photographs for ongoing	Cheque	
Donation to fund sports in the Park	Bank Giro Credit	400
Community grant donation	Bank Giro Credit	100
Payment for Printing 3000 leaflets for Circus School	Cheque	
Payment for Circus School	Cheque	
Payment towards the rebuild of the Football pitch, in	Bank Giro Credit	10888.8
Donation to the Park	Bank Giro Credit	50
Payment towards the creation of Healthy Anchorsholr	Bank Giro Credit	700
Payment towards the build and installation of new rai	Bank Giro Credit	3552
Payment towards the purchase of Christmas items fo	Cheque	
Donation towards the Park	Cheque	300
Online donation towards the Park	Bank Giro Credit	9.85
Payment towards the Christmas event in the Library	Cheque	
Donation towards Christmas gifts for café staff	Cheque	
Donation towards the Christmas event in the library	Cheque	200
Payment towards the extension of the Park railings (v	Cheque	
Payment towards the creation of the Football Pitch dr	Cheque	
Payment towards the purchase of CCTV signs in the F	Cheque	
Costs for design and delivery of Healthy Anchorsholm	Cheque	
Costs towards purchase of lawn mower	Cheque	
Payment towards the removal of the old goal posts	Cheque	
Payment towards crafts to help set up a community k	Cheque	
Payment towards purchase of fake CCTV camera	Cheque	
Payment for running sports 2017 / 2018 in the Park	Cheque	
Payment towards wool for knitting group	Cheque	
Payment towards Football coaching	Bank Giro Credit	1133.35
Payment towards crafts and plants	Bank Giro Credit	726.1
Payment towards 2 years of walking football coaching	Bank Giro Credit	1200
Payment for Polytunnel, Seeds and compost	Cheque	820
Paint for Library Garden	Cheque	
Wool for knitted Bees	Cheque	
Seeds for Polytunnel	Cheque	
Polytunnel and compost	Cheque	
Football Coach travel expenses	Cheque	
Plants for East Pines Park and Library Garden	Cheque	
Football Coach travel expenses	Cheque	
Grants towards green initiatives in the Park	Bank Giro Credit	200
Payment of football equipment for coaching	Cheque	
Football Coach travel expenses	Cheque	
Football Coach travel expenses	Cheque	
Donation towards build of fish pond	Bank Giro Credit	250
Paul Galley birthday donations via facebook	Cheque	249.95

Football Coach travel expenses	Cheque	
Donation to the Park	Bank Giro Credit	50
Payment for plants		
Football Coach travel expenses	Cheque	
Football Coach travel expenses	Cheque	
Donation from coffee morning	Cheque	90
General Donation to the Park	Cheque	13.75
Donation for football strip for FC East Pines	Cheque	260
Donation towards the purchase of a Slide	Cheque	6479
Donation towards new plants	Bank Giro Credit	3004.01
donation towards general funds	Cheque	10
Green Team Christmas presents	Cheque	
Grant towards paint	Cheque	200
Purchase of bamboo fencing for library garden	Cheque	
Grants towards purchase of new tools	Bank Giro Credit	2000
costs of hosting christmas thank you event for volunt	Cheque	
costs of purchase and installation of new slide	Cheque	
Grant towards resurface of playground	Cheque	9205
Children's tools	Cheque	
Resurfacing costs of Playground	Cheque	
Grant towards Covid 19 Support	Cheque	400
Purchase of gift bags for Thank You bags to key work	Cheque	
Covid grant Thank you pots		300
Online account set up code test	Bank Giro Credit	0.01
Donation	Cheque	254.47
Thank you Pots	Cheque	
Lawn Mower repair	Cheque	
Flowers for volunteer who lost family member	Cheque	
Bibs for volunteers	Cheque	
Winter bedding plants for Library Garden	Cheque	

Description	Payment Method	Income £
Donation	Cash	15.00
Easter Eggs	Cash	
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3 bags of bark chippings	Cash	
Donation	Cash	8.20
Donation	Cash	54.65
Cups / crisps for sports events)	Cash	
Raffle Tickets - Planters	Cash	
Cookies for sports event	Cash	
Drinks / Pens	Cash	
Rake for garden	Cash	
Donation	Cash	20.00
Donation	Cash	2.91
Collection - Opening Event	Cash	3.50
Egg Maho x 2	Cash	
Cheese / Balloons	Cash	

Glasses	Cash	
Misc	Cash	
Crisps	Cash	
Snacks	Cash	
Ritz x 2	Cash	
Juice Cordial	Cash	
Bucks Fizz	Cash	
Peanuts	Cash	
Sausage Rolls	Cash	
Pate / Pineapple	Cash	
Misc (bread & biscuits)	Cash	
Misc (sweets for children)	Cash	
Sales of stock and donations	Cash	256.70
Unspent money carried forward	Cash	30.00
Prizes for sports awards	Cash	
Tramway Pub donated £53	Cash	53.00
Cash donated by member of the public	Cash	8.30
Money transferred to our Santander Bank Account		

### **ember 2020**

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2.67

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**in 2013 to present**

<b>Expense £</b>	<b>Balance £</b>
	8,994.37
	11,994.37
350.00	11,644.37
1,157.00	10,487.37
	10,887.37
	11,287.37
11.94	11,275.43
800.00	10,475.43
20.00	10,455.43
14.93	10,440.50
8,317.00	2,123.50
300.00	1,823.50
25.00	1,798.50
	11,673.50
50.00	11,623.50
120.00	11,503.50
1,600.00	9,903.50
5,625.00	4,278.50
1,200.00	3,078.50
1,000.00	2,078.50
320.00	1,758.50
10.00	1,748.50
1,050.00	698.50
	908.50
210.00	698.50
	1,016.50
	7,016.50
5,345.00	1,671.50
	7,671.50
	7,721.50
5,345.00	2,376.50
197.4	2,179.10
300.00	1,879.10
72.97	1,806.13
209.93	1,596.20
	1,994.20
529.70	1,464.50
	3,464.50
2,075.00	1,389.50
	1,439.50
	2,439.50
	3,081.11
	4,981.11
	5,081.11
	5,431.11
	5,481.11
	5,538.54
	5,608.54

248	5,360.54
	10,197.19
1150	9,047.19
4790	4,257.19
	5,257.19
28.98	5,228.21
28.98	5,199.23
114.98	5,084.25
	5,284.25
	5,755.25
471	5,284.25
	5,384.25
148.81	5,235.44
851.19	4384.25
200	4184.25
	4584.25
	4684.25
100	4584.25
380	4204.25
	15093.05
	15143.05
	15843.05
	19395.05
100	19295.05
	19595.05
	19604.9
200	19404.9
10	19394.9
	19594.9
4237	15357.9
10252.8	5105.1
30	5075.1
700	4375.1
153.11	4221.99
200	4021.99
30	3991.99
20	3971.99
2000	1971.99
153.11	1991.99
	3125.34
	3851.44
	5051.44
	5871.44
19.74	5851.7
13	5838.7
5	5833.7
797.05	5036.65
80	4956.65
300	4656.65
80	4576.65
	4776.65
141.29	4635.36
60	4575.36
80	4495.36
	4745.36
	4995.11

80	4915.11
	4965.11
10	4955.11
60	4895.11
80	4815.11
	4905.11
	4918.86
	5178.86
	11657.86
	14661.87
	14671.87
48.13	14623.74
	14823.74
138.94	14684.8
	16684.8
91	16593.8
6479	10114.8
	19319.8
5	19314.8
9200	10114.8
	10514.8
400	10114.8
	10414.8
	10414.81
	10669.28
300	10369.28
75	10294.28
35	10259.28
30	10229.28
20	10209.28

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Expense £	Balance £
	-
	15.00
6.00	9.00
1.00	8.00
7.47	0.53
	8.73
	63.38
3.37	60.01
1.00	59.01
1.50	57.51
4.95	52.56
3.00	49.56
	69.56
	72.47
	75.97
3.14	72.83
4.00	68.83

1.00	67.83
5.54	62.29
2.00	60.29
3.50	56.79
2.77	54.02
1.00	53.02
9.45	43.57
1.90	41.67
3.00	38.67
5.90	32.77
18.39	14.38
11.71	2.67
	259.37
	289.37
30.00	259.37
	312.37
	320.67
318.00	<b>2.67</b>