

Friends of Handsworth Park

Charity Number: 1177786

{For Charitable Incorporated Organisation}

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

24th November 2022

Reference & Administration Details

Charity name: Friends of Handsworth Park

Charity number: 1177786

Charity's operating address: 18 Grestone Road, Handsworth, Birmingham,
B20 1NL

Names of the Charity Trustees who Manage the Charity (Add extra rows as required)

	<i>Trustee Name</i>	<i>Office (if any)</i>	<i>Appointed</i>	<i>Retired</i>
1	Graham Winfield	Chair	3.4.18	
2	Rachel Chiu	Treasurer	3.4.18	22.3.22
3	Tonia Clark	Secretary	3.4.18	
4	Theo Daniel		3.4.18	22.3.22
5	Rose Blair		3.4.18	22.3.22
6	Lee Southall	Exofficio BCC	3.4.18	3.6.22
7	Ed Freshwater		16.5.22	
8	Kalpana Joshi		16.5.22	
9	Karim Shah		16.5.22	

Names & Addresses of Advisors

<i>Name</i>	<i>Address & Postcode</i>
Bank:	Lloyds Bank, Box 1, BX1 1LT

Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document: Constitution

How the Charity is Constituted: Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee Selection Methods: Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting. Local people with an interest in the park are approached to join the committee.

How New Trustees are Inducted and Trained: Prospective trustees are asked to attend a meeting before they commit. They meet with the Chair who explains the history and the role of the charity.

Objectives & Activities

Summary of the Objects of the Charity as set out in its Governing Document

The objects of the CIO are for the benefit of the inhabitants of Handsworth and surrounding areas, 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 their 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 Handsworth Park.

Summary of the Main Activities Undertaken for the Public Benefit in Relation to the Charity's Objects

The charity organises events to educate and inform local people about the park and its benefits. It also manages the Community Garden which provides free gardening sessions and specialist workshops about fruit, vegetables and herbs.

FOHP also monitors the upkeep of the park by the Council and feeds back comments from local people to the Council Parks Team.

Achievements & Performance

Statutory Declaration

The trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Summary of the Main Achievements of the Charity for the Year – Chair's Report

I want to begin my report this year by focussing on the Friends of Handsworth park committee. The Friends of Handsworth Park is the legacy of the Handsworth Park Association and the Save Handsworth Park group which came into being in 1994.

The hard work of these volunteers stopped the demise of the park and they were instrumental in obtaining the Heritage Lottery Fund grant which transformed it.

Over the years, other volunteers have put in prodigious amounts of time and skill in helping to maintain the park as a vital local and regional asset. None more so than committee members Rachel Chiu and Tonia Clark. As Treasurer and Secretary respectively, they have kept the management of the Friends group completely stable and have continuously raised funds for our projects.

Earlier this year, Rachel stepped down from her role as Treasurer and committee member and at this year's AGM Tonia will resign as Secretary. I want to thank Tonia and Rachel for their remarkable support for the park and we will miss their input so much.

I am pleased to welcome Ed, Kalpana and Shah to the committee and thank them for their skills and enthusiasm.

Lee Southall retired this year from his role as Constituency Parks Manager and we thank him for all the support he has given us over the years and wish him the best for the future.

The park continues to look good thanks to Mike Curry and his team of gardeners. The sewage problem in the upper pool is not resolved and is still being worked on by Severn Trent.

The community garden and forest school, under the stewardship of Eleanor Hoad, are thriving and are back to pre-Covid levels of attendance.

The Well Being Centre is well used although the roof repair to the main pool remains a work in progress. A new mural on the Playcentre walls celebrating reggae from Handsworth was commissioned by Simmerdown Festival.

The large range of activities in the park and Sons of Rest continues; Tai Chi, meditation sessions, playschemes, gardening sessions, Film night, Birmingham International Dance Festival, tea and socials every Wednesday at the Sons of Rest, Commonwealth Games Festival, Simmerdown which attracted over 15,000 people, lantern parade and Handsworth Cricket Club.

The Arts Trail by Handsworth Creative, installed two new pieces and another is in the pipeline for the sunken garden.

The Boathouse Cafe was opened only very occasionally and the lease is up for tender. The Sons of Rest is increasingly being used and we would like to have a formal arrangement with the Council which would assist us in raising funding for activities.

I would like to thank the committee for all the support over the year and on their behalf thank everyone involved in the life of the park.

Graham Winfield

Financial Review

Brief Statement of the Charity's Policy on Reserves

The charity does not intend to build up reserves as there are no employees and no capital assets to maintain.

Details of Any Funds Materially in Deficit

None

Statutory Notes to the Accounts

Particulars of Any Outstanding Guarantee Given by the CIO

Particulars of Any Outstanding Debt

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

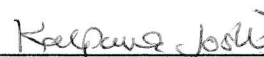
Signature(s):



Full Name(s): EDWARD FRESHWATER

Position(s): CHAIR

Date: 26/11/2022



KALPANA JOSHI

TRUSTEE

26/11/2022



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/21	To	31/03/22
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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					
Simmerdown	150	-	-	150	0
BCC NNS Grant (Tai Chi)	-	1820	-	1,820	0
Covid response grant	-	-	-	-	5730
Police and Crime Commissioner	-	4868	-	4,868	-
BOSF	120	-	-	120	100
other	400	-	-	400	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	670	6,688	-	7,358	5,830
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	670	6,688	-	7,358	5,830
A3 Payments					
Community Garden	-	3635	-	3,635	5,490
other	70	-	-	70	70
Tai Chi	-	1505	-	1,505	-
Cinema	30	-	-	30	-
Forest School	1120	-	-	1,120	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,220	5,140	-	6,360	5,560
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,220	5,140	-	6,360	5,560
Net of receipts/(payments)	-550	1,548	-	998	270
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2199	2226	-	4,425	4,155
Cash funds this year end	1,649	3,774	-	5,423	4,425

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	Cash in bank	1649	3774	
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,649	3,774	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
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	