

Charity No: 1178858

**BETHWIN ROAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAYGROUND
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
31 MARCH 2024**

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BETHWIN ROAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAYGROUND TRUSTEES' REPORT 2023/24

TRUSTEES/MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Hilary Rimington (Chair/Treasurer)
Hannah Ojo (Secretary)
Amy Compton

OBJECTS

To provide safe, stimulating, supervised recreational and social activities for children and young people in West Camberwell aged 5-15, so enabling their physical, social and emotional development.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES OVER THE PAST YEAR AND FUTURE PLANS

We celebrated our 48th year of adventure play in Camberwell in April 2024. We have continued to provide an exciting range of activities for 6-16 year olds but this work is increasingly focused on food support for young people and their families and on mental health and well-being of young people. We are also providing more for 16-19 year olds through our Young Volunteers Scheme

We are still waiting for our extension which was promised by a local developer nearly 10 years ago watch this space. We have also been promised a playground makeover by the council which has started with a new pitch surface.

Many thanks to Steph and her team who have worked hard to provide the fun and support needed by our users.

Hilary Rimington – Trustee and Chairperson

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC BENEFIT

We are a fully constituted voluntary charity which exists to provide safe and stimulating play, recreational and youth facilities for children and young people aged 5-15 in Camberwell, south east London, with a view to supporting their physical, emotional and social development and improving their overall quality of life.

RESERVES POLICY

Our policy is to keep 3 months' salaries and running costs in reserve (approx 25k). This has been achieved this year when including restricted reserves which cover a substantial part of these costs.

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the Playground's financial activities during that year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Playground will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for:

- keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Playground and enable them to ensure that the annual financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011; and
- safeguarding the Playground's assets and for taking reasonable steps for prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Hilary Rimington – Treasurer & Trustee

7 February 2025

**BETHWIN ROAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAYGROUND
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
BETHWIN ROAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAYGROUND**

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINERS

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts: you consider that the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) does not apply and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act, follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by s.130 of the Act;
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do 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.

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7 February 2025

**BETHWIN ROAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAYGROUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Voluntary Income				
London Borough of Southwark	-	37,500	37,500	6,519
Grants & Donations (Note 2)	122,870	7,600	130,470	74,960
Fees & Parents' Contributions	-	-	-	4,638
Pitch Hire & Other Income	-	5,792	5,792	4,131
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	122,870	50,892	173,762	90,248
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable Activities				
Salaries & Freelance	73,605	-	73,605	66,874
Insurance	-	2,303	2,303	2,093
Telephone	-	629	629	429
Light & Heat	7,589	7,589	15,178	16,346
Supplies/Equipment	3,808	-	3,808	5,332
BASS & BRAP Expenditure	-	26,623	26,623	28,954
Photocopier	-	4,027	4,027	3,275
Activities and Outings	7,746	-	7,746	1,940
Volunteers' Expenses	1,850	-	1,850	1,150
Food	4,166	-	4,166	5,152
Building & Maintenance	2,196	-	2,196	2,004
Rent	-	1,250	1,250	1,250
Training	-	100	100	-
Waste	-	1,655	1,655	1,504
Cleaning	3,842	3,531	7,373	6,859
External Consultancy	-	1,219	1,219	1,219
Sundry Expenses	-	2,410	2,410	1,355
	104,802	51,336	156,138	145,736
Governance Costs				
General Administrative Costs	-	-	-	-
Independent Examiner's Fee	-	1,080	1,080	900
	-	1,080	1,080	900
TOTAL OUTGOING RESOURCES	104,802	52,416	157,218	146,636
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR	18,068	(1,524)	16,544	(56,388)
FUNDS AT 1 APRIL 2023	2,700	4,390	7,090	63,478
FUNDS AT 31 MARCH 2024	£ 20,768	£ 2,866	£ 23,634	£ 7,090

**BETHWIN ROAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAYGROUND
BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2024**

	2024 £	2023 £
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank	45,407	555
Debtors due within one year	-	13,760
	<u>£ 45,407</u>	<u>£ 14,315</u>
 CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Creditors falling due within one year (Note 4)	<u>21,773</u>	<u>7,225</u>
 NET ASSETS	 <u>£ 23,634</u>	 <u>£ 7,090</u>
 FUNDS		
Restricted Funds	20,768	2,700
Unrestricted Funds	<u>2,866</u>	<u>4,390</u>
	 <u>£ 23,634</u>	 <u>£ 7,090</u>

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Hilary Rimington – Trustee

7 February 2025

**BETHWIN ROAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAYGROUND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- (i) The accounts of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.
- (ii) General funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are funds subject to specific restrictive conditions imposed by the donors.
- (iii) All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Bank Interest is recognised as an incoming resource when it is credited to the bank statement.
- (iv) Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT that cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates. Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries. Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the independent examiner's fee.

2. GRANTS AND DONATIONS	2024	2023
Restricted and Unrestricted		
Big Lottery Fund/Reaching Communities (Restricted)	96,850	60,000
CAF	1,200	3,100
Holiday Food Project (Restricted) (LBS)	25,120	10,560
Jack Petchey Foundation (Restricted)	900	900
St Olaves & St Saviours	2,500	-
Active Communities	-	400
Other	3,900	-
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	£ 130,470	£ 74,960
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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

No trustee received any remuneration or was reimbursed expenses in the year or the previous year in respect of their role as trustees. However, two trustees have received payments for other duties including HR, payroll and summer staff cover.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024
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4. CREDITORS due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
Sundry Creditors	8,337	7,225
Amounts Owing to BASS and BRAPG	13,436	-
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	£ 21,773	£ 7,225
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5. SPLIT OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Current Assets	20,768	24,639	45,407
Current Liabilities	-	21,773	21,773
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	£ 20,768	£ 2,866	
23,634	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>

6. STAFF COSTS

The average number of employees in the year was 3 (full time equivalents) (2023: 3).

The breakdown of staff costs was as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gross Salaries	72,640	65,738
Social Security Costs	-	-
Pension Costs	965	1,136
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	£ 73,605	£ 66,874
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7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Voluntary Income			
Grants & Donations	71,460	3,500	74,960
Other Income	-	15,288	15,288
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TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	71,460	18,788	90,248
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RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable Activities	74,026	71,710	145,736
Governance Costs	-	900	900
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TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	74,026	72,610	146,636

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