

THE FRIENDS OF GLADSTONE PARK

England & Wales · Charity number 1180529

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2018-11-02

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 1. TO PROTECT, PRESERVE AND ENHANCE FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT THE ENVIRONMENT AND BIODIVERSITY OF GLADSTONE PARK AS A PLACE OF HISTORIC AND ECOLOGICAL INTEREST IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY A. ADVANCING EDUCATION INTO THE HISTORY AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE PARK B. PROVIDING OR ASSISTING 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 C. LIAISING WITH COMMUNITY GROUPS AND THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT COUNCIL AND FACILITATING EVENTS AND FUNDRAISING IN SUPPORT OF THE STATED OBJECTIVES.

Activities: The Friends of Gladstone Park organise activities to encourage interest in and use of the park such as expert-led walks and group activities. Additionally, there is a weekly gardening group whereby volunteers help to maintain the park, in particular the walled garden.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Brent

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-10-31	£1,645	£1,441	-	-
2023-10-31	£4,171	£2,275	-	-
2022-10-31	£5,372	£5,333	-	-
2021-10-31	£1,279	£991	-	-
2020-10-31	£2,358	£3,148	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
HAZEL MARION GLENISTER	Chair	2018-11-02
David Thomas Elliott McClements		2024-04-11
FRANCINE ALYSON LAWRENCE		2018-11-02
Fitzroy Anthony Saint Patrick Lee		2024-06-04
GILLIAN SUSAN CLOSE		2018-11-02
HELEN SOPHIA GOODSSELL		2018-11-02
LIA COLACICCO		2018-11-02
LIZ ANN DIXON		2018-11-02
MARK CUMMINS		2018-11-02
Owen Plummer		2024-06-04
PAUL JOHN HURST		2018-11-02
TARIQ MAHMOOD DAR		2018-11-02

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**CHARITY COMMISSION
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Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01/11/2023 to 31/10/2024

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Objectives and Activities

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- Liaising with community groups and the London Borough of Brent Council and facilitating events and fundraising in support of the stated objectives

During this period the Friends of Gladstone Park have supported these objectives with the activities below. Most activities during this period have continued to be curtailed or cancelled due to Covid restrictions but as most of our activities are outside we have been fortunate enough to continue in a limited capacity.

- Various guided walks through the parks led by an expert. This year there were walks with a focus on trees, birds, bats and butterflies.
- Active fundraising was curtailed, but we received generous donations into a bucket left out while we worked in the park
- Organising regular Litter Picks in the park with members of the public continued.

The Friends of Gladstone Park also organise a weekly Gardening Group consisting of regular volunteers who undertake various tasks to maintain and improve the park – in particular the walled garden and the copse area.

All trustees have had sight of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, to make sure this is taken into account during decision-making.

Achievements and Performance

All Friends of Gladstone Park activities have an underlying purpose of encouraging people into the park to enjoy and benefit from this beautiful public space.

The Gardening Group continued to maintain the Walled Garden in Gladstone Park along with the formal rose beds outside (now refreshed with the roses purchased by FOGP).

In addition to the Walled Garden, beds around the upper terrace adjacent to the Walled Garden were maintained, as well as the beds around what was the bowling green.

Although still a part of the Gardening Group, the volunteers working in the copse effectively became a discrete 'Copse Group' meeting on Fridays while the Gardening Group continues to meet on Mondays and Wednesdays allowing those who wish to be part of both groups. Additionally, FOGP commenced the process of having the copse classified as a Local Nature Reserve in order to recognise the area and to ensure a plan for its future alongside Brent Council.

The group of people who monitor butterflies continue to do so and record data. For 2024 we had a complete data set – that is we recorded an entry for every week of the period from the beginning of April to the end of September.

In January 2024 we hosted our first post-Covid public meeting where we enabled the local community to meet the manager of the new contractors to maintain Gladstone Park, and their Safer Neighbourhoods team from the local Police Force and ask questions and raise issues. A further public meeting in April allowed the community to meet and question officers from Brent Council responsible for Gladstone Park.

Financial Review

At the end of this period we have £3,060.13 in the account, which is a healthy amount for us and a tribute to the generous users of Gladstone Park who drop donations into our bucket. Only a small amount remains ring-fenced - for bluebells.

The charity does not hold reserves as there are no regular outgoings over and above the annual public liability insurance premium and website costs.

Friends of Gladstone Park Account

Balance at 1st November 2023: **£2,856.04**

Outgoings: **£1,440.91**

Regular costs including Public Liability Insurance and Website hosting, as well as plants for the park, manure for the Walled Garden, materials for rustic benches in the copse and a thank-you gift of flowers to our departing chair.

Income : **£1,645.00**

Brent Council funded the purchase of manure and there was a £500.00 donation from George Irwin (who hold a funfair in the park). The remainder came from supporters via EasyFundraising, Sumup and cash donations.

Balance as at 31st October 2024: **£3,060.13**

Structure, Governance and Management

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Under the current constitution, new trustees are appointed by a vote at a properly organised meeting of the current trustees.

Reference and Administrative details

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates Acted if not for the who;e year
Sally Long	Chair	Until 09/01/2024
Hazel Glenister	Treasurer until 09/01/2024 then Chair	
Francine Lawrence	Deputy Chair	
Paul Hurst	Treasurer from 09/01/2024	
Sylvie Gautherau		Until 27/02/2024
Dick Heath-Brown		Until 29/11/2024
Gill Glose	Secretary	
Owen Plummer		From 04/06/2024
Fitzroy Lee		From 04/06/2024
David McClements		From 04/06/2024
Mark Cummins		
Tariq Dar MBE		
Lia Colacicco		
Liz Dixon MBE		
Helen Goodsell		

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature	
Full Name	Hazel Glenister
Position (eg Secretary, Chair etc)	Chair
Date	31/07/25

Friends of Gladstone Park - Statement of Accounts 2023-2024

This statement covers the period: 1st November 2023 to 31st October 2024

Friends of Gladstone Park Account

Balance at 1st November 2023: **£2,856.04**

Outgoings: **£1,440.91**

Public Liability Insurance	212.62
Plants for:	787.05
• the Walled Garden	
• the rose beds	
• the upper terrace	
• the beds outside the Stables cafe entrance and in front of the toilet	
Manure for the Walled Garden (funded by Brent)	243.00
One-off award of flowers to retiring Chair	40.00
Website hosting renewal	123.56
Materials for installing rustic benches in the woodland area	34.68

Income: **£1,645.00**

Donation from George Irwin for funfair in park	500.00
EasyFundraising Donations	20.44
Donations via Sumup	234.79
London Borough of Brent	250.35
Donations to FOGP bucket, at organised walks and litter picks, plant sales	639.42

Balance at 31st October 2024 : **£3,060.13**

Friends of Gladstone Park Account Transactions 1/11/2023 to 31/10/2024

Date	Description	Debit	Credit
09/11/23	MAGIC BUCKET		20.00
14/11/23	EASY FUNDRAISING		20.44
03/01/24	FOGP WEBSITE	67.17	
03/01/24	MAGIC BUCKET		15.00
15/01/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		20.81
15/01/24	MAGIC BUCKET		28.42
16/01/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		20.00
26/01/24	MAGIC BUCKET		111.00
22/02/24	WEBSITEDOMAIN 3YRS	56.39	
22/02/24	COPSE BENCHES	34.68	
29/02/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		3.00
29/02/24	PLANTS/FLOWERS	278.35	
11/03/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		10.00
13/03/24	MAGIC BUCKET		95.00
28/03/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		10.00
28/03/24	CHAIRS FLOWERS	40.00	
08/04/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		15.00
15/04/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		3.00
15/04/24	MAGIC BUCKET		105.00
22/04/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		6.93
10/05/24	MAGIC BUCKET		80.00
20/05/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		9.83
22/05/24	ZURICH INSURANCE	212.62	
28/05/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		21.71
24/06/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		60.95
03/07/24	PLANTS/FLOWERS	272.55	
15/07/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		10.00
17/07/24	LB BRENT		250.35
22/07/24	MAGIC BUCKET		110.00
13/08/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		3.00
27/08/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		14.75
28/08/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		10.00
25/09/24	MANURE REFUND	243.00	
30/09/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		13.81
02/10/24	IRVINS FUNFAIR		500.00
08/10/24	SUMUP PAYMENTS		2.00
25/10/24	MAGIC BUCKET		75.00
28/10/24	PLANTS/FLOWERS	236.15	
	Totals	1440.91	1645.00

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- Regular litter picks (typically monthly) between March and October.
- 18th February 2023: Tree Event (at Cricklewood Library). A celebration of trees for local children. After an illustrated talk on the life-cycle of trees they divided into groups to produce artwork of trees at each season of the year.
- 10th April 2023: Easter Event. Easter themed activities and games for families.
- 19th April 2023: Cherry Tree Walk. Led by an expert, a walk to help people identify and learn about the cherry trees in the park.
- 6th May 2023: Dawn Chorus bird walk. A guided walk with an expert to hear and identify the birdsong heard in the park as the sun rises.
- 20th May 2023: Public meeting with Make Space for Girls to discuss making safe spaces for girls and young women to encourage them to use the park.
- 21st May 2022: Nature walk. A walk led by an expert showing the diverse habitats in the park.
- 5th June 2023: History and Myths of the Park walk. Led by a local tour guide and lecturer this event also gives local people with long memories the opportunity to share their experiences and add to the knowledge provided by the walk leader.
- 2nd July 2023: Butterfly Walk. A guided walk with an expert to identify and find out more about the various species of butterfly in the park at this time of year.
- 23rd July 2023: Nature Walk across the Acid Grassland. A guided walk with an expert on this rare habitat which has been identified within the park.
- 3rd September 2023: A stroll through the Copse. A walk led by local volunteer David McClements who has been organising work to refresh a small wooded area within the park and make it more inviting as well as increasing its biodiversity.

- Bat strolls. Walks at dusk with bat monitoring equipment to detect and identify the various species of bat living in the park. These were organised at relatively short notice when weather conditions were favourable.

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Achievements and Performance

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The Gardening Group continued to maintain the Walled Garden in Gladstone Park along with the formal rose beds outside (now refreshed with the roses purchased by FOGP).

In addition to the Walled Garden, beds around the upper terrace adjacent to the Walled Garden were maintained, as well as the beds around what was the bowling green.

FOGP continued to improve the dead-hedging around the copse area to help discourage anti-social activities there, and to encourage wildflower areas and ferns to enhance the copse and increase biodiversity. The paths within the copse were maintained with fresh woodchip being laid.

During this year the Gardening Group also worked with Brent Council regarding the problem with the box hedge in the Walled Garden which was getting ravaged by box moth and blight. The Council approved replacing the box with Japanese Ilex and agreed to fund this.

Members of FOGP and the Gardening Group have been actively involved with the Big City Butterflies project, run by Butterfly Conservation. With the help of a member of their team, a set route through the park (a transect) was identified to cover different habitats within the park. Volunteers continued to walk this transect every week from April to September, recording the butterflies seen as well as information about the weather conditions at the time. The observations are uploaded to the UK Butterfly Monitoring Scheme.

Financial Review

At the end of this period we have £3086.54 in the account, which is a mainly due to continuing healthy donations from John Lewis/Waitrose with the addition this year of donations from George Irwin and CAF. As ever, we also benefit from the generous users of Gladstone Park who drop donations into our bucket. Only a small amount remains ring-fenced - for bluebells.

The charity does not hold reserves as there are no regular outgoings over and above the annual public liability insurance premium.

Friends of Gladstone Park Account

Balance at 1st November 2022: **£959.89**

Outgoings: **£2,274.51**

Public Liability Insurance, website costs and plants and new railings for the park.

Income : **£4170.66**

There were donations from Waitrose, Amazon Smile and EasyFundraising. We also had a couple of unexpected donations from George Irwin (who ran a funfair in the park) and CAF. And of course the income from general donations and money given during the various events. This year we also joined SumUp to enable us to accept donations by card now fewer people are carrying cash.

Balance as at 31st October 2023: **£2856.04**

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3	Gill Close	Secretary	
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5	Helen Goodsell		
6	Sylvia Gautherau		
7	Mark Cummins		
8	Tariq Dar MBE		
9	Dick Heath-Brown		
10	Paul Quinn		Until 10 th July 2023
11	Paul Hurst		
12	Lia Colaccico		
13	Liz Dixon MBE		
14	Sajjad Dar		From October 3 rd 2023
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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)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date



Friends of Gladstone Park Statement of Accounts 2022-2023

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Friends of Gladstone Park Account

Balance at 1st November 2022: **£959.89**

Outgoings : £2,274.51

- Public Liability Insurance
- Plants for the park. Mostly for the Walled Garden, but also for the beds we are beginning to refurbish outside the Stables cafe and in front of the toilet.
- Manure for the Walled Garden (funded by Brent)
- Costs of fixing outside taps in the Walled Garden and in the courtyard of The Stables cafe (used for water in the Walled Garden) (funded by Brent)

Income : £4170.66

- Donations from Waitrose amounted to £1,600.00
- Donations from Amazon Smile amounted to £88.16
- Donations from EasyFundraising, amounted to £26.21
- Donations vis SumUp amounted to £10.90
- George Irwin regularly hosts a Funfair in the park and this year gave a donation of £500.00 to FOGP.
- An unexpected donation from CAF of £630.00
- The rest was down to general donations in the bucket left out while the gardening group is working or given to us during organised Litter Picks or guided walks in the park.

More detail of the transactions on the account are given overleaf.

Balance as at 31st October 2023 : **£2856.04**

Friends of Gladstone Park Account Transactions

Date	Incoming	Outgoing	Description
01/11/22			Opening balance £959.89
15/11/22	£7.90		Donation from Amazon Smile
24/11/22	£1,000.00		Donation from Waitrose
22/12/22		£758.50	Reimbursement for manure for the Walled Garden
09/01/23		£364.82	Reimbursement for Helen
18/01/23	£630.00		Donation from CAF
19/01/23		£87.50	Room Hire for public meeting
31/01/23	£9.83		Donation from Amazon Smile
31/01/23	£758.50		Brent payment for manure for the Walled Garden
31/01/23	£600.00		Donation from Waitrose
14/02/23	£26.21		Donation from EasyFundraising
23/02/23	£45.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
07/03/23	£104.98		Brent payment for fixing tap in Walled Gaeden
14/03/23		£104.98	Reimbursement to Helen for tap in Walled Gaeden
14/03/23		£175.99	Reimbursement to Helen for tap in Stables area
14/03/23		£250.50	Reimbursement to Helen for plants
16/03/23	£55.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
14/04/23	£175.99		Brent payment for fixing tap in Stables area
24/04/23	£5.76		Donation from Amazon Smile
26/04/23	£80.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
15/05/23		£87.50	Room hire for Trees Art Event
19/05/23	£20.59		Donation from Amazon Smile
26/05/23		£194.57	Payment for Public Liability insurance
12/06/23	£75.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
24/07/23	£500.00		Donation from George Irwin
14/08/23	£65.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
29/08/23	£6.90		Donation via SumUp
04/09/23	£3.00		Donation via SumUp
12/09/23	£1.00		Donation via SumUp
02/10/23		£250.15	Reimbursement for plants for the walled garden
31/10/23			Closing Balance £2856.04

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- 13th November 2021: organised event for members of the public to help sow seeds of plants specifically identified as being beneficial to butterflies in defined areas in the park. Seeds and expertise were provided by the UK Butterfly Monitoring Project.
- 15th May 2022: Dawn Chorus bird walk. A guided walk with an expert to hear and identify the birdsong heard in the park as the sun rises.
- 18th May 2022: Ceremony to welcome the Sakura cherry trees. An event to mark the planting in Gladstone Park of some of the 100 cherry trees gifted to Brent Council from the Japan British Society in in 2018 in appreciation of the friendship between our two nations dating back 150 years. Speakers from the Japanese embassy, and organisers of the cherry tree project addressed the public alongside the Mayor of Brent, and food and drink was provided.
- 21st May 2022: Nature walk. A walk led by an expert showing the diverse habitats in the park.
- 7th June 2022: History of the Park walk. Led by a local tour guide and lecturer this event also gives local people with long memories the opportunity to share their experiences and add to the knowledge provided by the walk leader.
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- 13th July 2022: Bat stroll. A walk at dusk with bat monitoring equipment to detect and identify the various species of bat living in the park.
- 16th July 2022: Tree walk. A guided walk led by an expert to showcase and describe the variety of trees growing in the park.

The Friends of Gladstone Park also organise a weekly Gardening Group consisting of regular volunteers who undertake various tasks to maintain and improve the park – in

particular the walled garden and the copse area. This working group continued throughout although with social distancing being observed, and any common tools being sanitised before and after use.

All trustees have had sight of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, to make sure this is taken into account during decision-making.

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Members of FOGP and the Gardening Group have been actively involved with the Big City Butterflies project, run by Butterfly Conservation. With the help of a member of their team, a set route through the park (a transect) was identified to cover different habitats within the park. Volunteers walk this transect every week from April to September, recording the butterflies seen as well as information about the weather conditions at the time. The observations are uploaded to the UK Butterfly Monitoring Scheme. Additionally, the Big City Butterflies project provided seeds to plant strips of pollinator-friendly plants in the park.

FOGP funded and carried out the refurbishment of the noticeboards by the entrances to the park which had become untidy and dilapidated.

FOGP organised the funding (via grants from the Edward Harvist Trust and Together Towards Zero) and installation of new railings around a number of previously neglected flowerbeds which have been replanted. The railings not only smarten up these areas, but provide a level of protection for the new flower beds to flourish.

FOGP was active in enabling some of the cherry trees gifted to Brent by the Sakura Cherry Trees project to be planted in the park, and watered and maintained for 3 years to get them established. They will form a beautiful avenue from the south side of the park towards the main childrens playground. In addition, FOGP organised and hosted a ceremony to welcome these trees into the park. Photographs from the event can be seen in the Gallery of the Sakura Cherry Trees Project website.

Financial Review

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Friends of Gladstone Park Account

Balance at 1st November 2021: **£921.07**

Outgoings: **£5,333.12**

Public Liability Insurance, website costs and plants and new railings for the park.

Income : **£5371.94**

- There were donations from Waitrose, Amazon Smile, EasyFundraising as well as from a local artist who donated a percentage of the profits she made from selling prints of the park. We also had income from general donations and money given during the various events. The bulk of the income, however, was from grants specifically to pay for the new railings in the park organised by FOGP.

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Outgoings : £5,333.12

- Public Liability Insurance
- Website and email costs
- Plants for the park. Mostly for the Walled Garden, but also for the beds we are beginning to refurbish outside the Stables cafe and in front of the toilet.
- Ropes used to mark out areas in the copse which should not be walked over while plants are getting established.
- Reimbursements for expenses of organising a ceremony to mark the donation of Sakura cherry trees from Japan, and new railings for the park. These were funded by Brent Council.

Income : £5371.94

- Donations from Waitrose amounted to £100.00
- Donations from Amazon Smile amounted to £33.98
- Donations from EasyFundraising, amounted to £64.35
- A local artist sold prints of the park and donated 10% of the profits.
- We arranged grants to fund new railings in the park from the Edward Harvist Trust and Together Towards Zero organisations. We received £3,400.00 in total for the railings.
- We hosted a ceremony to welcome Sakura cherry trees which were donated by the Japanese government. Brent Council gave £308.00 to cover expenses for the ceremony.
- Most of the rest was down to general donations in the bucket left out while the gardening group is working or given to us during organised Litter Picks or guided walks in the park.

More detail of the transactions on the account are given overleaf.

Balance as at 31st October 2021: **£959.89**

Friends of Gladstone Park Account Transactions

Date	Incoming	Outgoing	Description
01/11/21			Opening balance £921.07
04/11/21	£17.77		Donations from EasyFundraising
08/11/21	£500.00		Donation from Waitrose
08/11/21		£424.15	Reimbursement for plants for the Walled Garden
07/12/21	£500.00		Donation from Waitrose
13/12/21	£8.21		Donation from Amazon Smile
20/12/21	£75.00		Donation from sale of prints of Gladstone Park
20/12/21		£34.35	Reimbursement for rope used in the copse
20/12/21		£40.89	Reimbursement for plants for the Walled Garden
28/01/22	£50.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
31/01/22		£43.79	Reimbursement for bulbs for the park
31/01/22		£18.88	Reimbursement for rope used in the copse
18/02/22	£16.37		Donations from EasyFundraising
23/02/22	£9.13		Donation from Amazon Smile
23/02/22		£223.20	Reimbursement for refurbishing noticeboards
23/02/22		£148.10	Reimbursement for FOGP website costs
09/05/22	£22.50		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
09/05/22	£7.11		Donation from Amazon Smile
23/05/22	£1,000.00		TTZ Grant from Brent for new railings
25/05/22	£2,400.00		EHTF Grant from Brent for new railings
01/06/22		£175.56	Payment for Public Liability insurance
07/06/22	£30.21		Donations from EasyFundraising
08/06/22		£1,934.09	Reimbursement for new railings
05/07/22		£1,680.00	Reimbursement for new railings
11/07/22	£302.11		Donations from Together Towards Zero, from their funding of the Olive Road Street Party
26/07/22	£86.00		Donations collected after History walk
16/08/22	£9.53		Donation from Amazon Smile
23/08/22	£308.00		Brent payment for Sakura Cherry Trees event
24/08/22		£308.00	Reimbursement for Sakura Cherry Trees event
30/08/22		£302.11	Reimbursement for plants for the walled garden
24/10/22	£30.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
31/10/22			Closing Balance £959.89

THE FRIENDS OF GLADSTONE PARK

England & Wales - Charity number 1180529

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01/11/2020 to 31/10/2021

Charity name: Friends of Gladstone Park

Charity registration number: 1180529

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the CIO are to protect, preserve and enhance for the public benefit the environment and biodiversity of Gladstone Park as a place of historic and ecological interest in particular but not exclusively by:

- Advancing education into the history and other aspects of the park
- Providing or assisting 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
- Liaising with community groups and the London Borough of Brent Council and facilitating events and fundraising in support of the stated objectives

During this period the Friends of Gladstone Park have supported these objectives with the activities below. Most activities during this period have continued to be curtailed or cancelled due to Covid restrictions but as most of our activities are outside we have been fortunate enough to continue in a limited capacity.

- Various guided walks through the parks led by an expert. This year there were walks with a focus on trees, birds, bats and butterflies although fewer than usual and with strict controls on numbers.
- Active fundraising was curtailed, but we received generous donations into a bucket left out while we worked in the park
- Organising regular Litter Picks in the park with members of the public continued, although with Covid precautions in place..

The Friends of Gladstone Park also organise a weekly Gardening Group consisting of regular volunteers who undertake various tasks to maintain and improve the park – in particular the walled garden and the copse area. This working group continued throughout although with social distancing being observed, and any common tools being sanitised before and after use.

All trustees have had sight of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, to make sure this is taken into account during decision-making.

Achievements and Performance

All Friends of Gladstone Park activities have an underlying purpose of encouraging people into the park to enjoy and benefit from this beautiful public space.

The Gardening Group continued to maintain the Walled Garden in Gladstone Park along with the formal rose beds outside (now refreshed with the roses purchased by FOGP).

In addition to the Walled Garden, beds around the upper terrace adjacent to the Walled Garden were maintained, as well as the beds around what was the bowling green.

With increased time available from the volunteers, FOGP improved the dead-hedging around the copse to help discourage some of the anti-social activities in this area, and seeded wildflower areas and ferns to enhance the copse and increase biodiversity.

Towards the end of this period, members of FOGP and the Gardening Group began to get involved with the Big City Butterflies project.

All fundraising coffee mornings, table days etc. remained cancelled, as caution was still advised even when lockdowns were lifted. In order to get some income, the Gardening Group sets out a bucket for donations whilst working and this has meant we can cover costs

Financial Review

At the end of this period we have £921.07 in the account, which is a healthy amount for us and a tribute to the generous users of Gladstone Park who drop donations into our bucket. Only a small amount remains ring-fenced - for bluebells.

The charity does not hold reserves as there are no regular outgoings over and above the annual public liability insurance premium.

Friends of Gladstone Park Account

Balance at 1st November 2019: **£632.45**

Outgoings: **£990.61**

Public Liability Insurance, website costs and plants for the park.

Income : **£1,279.23**

There were donations from Waitrose, Amazon Smile, EasyFundraising and Thomson Reuters. We also had income from general donations and money given during the various events that did manage to go ahead.

Balance as at 31st October 2021: **£921.07**

Structure, Governance and Management

The Friends of Gladstone park is constituted as a CIO, governed by a governed by a constitution based on the Foundation Constitution document provided by the Charities Commission.

Under the current constitution, new trustees are appointed by a vote at a properly organised meeting of the current trustees,

Reference and Administrative details

Charity Name: The Friends of Gladstone Park

Registered Charity Number: 118059

Charity's Principal Address: 106, Fleetwood Road London NW10 1NN

**Names of the
charity trustees who
manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Sally Long	Chair	
2	Francine Lawrence	Deputy Chair	
3	Gill Close	Secretary	
4	Hazel Glenister	Treasurer	
5	Helen Goodsell		
6	Sylvia Gautherau		
7	Mark Cummins		
8	Tariq Dar MBE		
9	Dick Heath-Brown		
11	Paul Quinn		
12	Paul Hurst		
13	Lia Colaccico		
14	Liz Dixon MBE		
15	Chris Elsdale		Until 15 th October 2021 (Resigned)
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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) Hazel Glenister

Full name(s) HAZEL GLENISTER

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) TREASURER

Date 28 / 08 / 22



Friends of Gladstone Park Statement of Accounts 2020-2021

This statement covers the period 1st November 2020 to 31st October 2021

Friends of Gladstone Park Account

Balance at 1st November 2020: **£632.45**

Outgoings : £990.61

- Public Liability Insurance
- Website and email costs
- Plants for the park. Mostly for the Walled Garden, but also for the beds we are beginning to refurbish outside the Stables cafe and in front of the toilet.

Income : £1,279.23

- Donations from Waitrose amounted to £167.00
- Donations from Amazon Smile amounted to £23.92
- We received our first donations from EasyFundraising, amounting to £45.01
- During this period we had a volunteer employed by Thomson Reuters who operated a scheme paying for their volunteering hours to the organisation concerned. We received \$500.00 (£356.30) this way.
- Most of the rest was down to general donations in the bucket left out while the gardening group is working or given to us during organised Letter Picks in the park.

More detail of the transactions on the account are given overleaf.

Balance as at 31st October 2021: **£921.07**

Friends of Gladstone Park Account Transactions

Date	Incoming	Outgoing	Description
01/11/20			Opening balance £632.45
12/11/20	£82.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
16/11/20	£27.88		Donations from EasyFundraising
17/11/20		£245.25	Reimbursement for plants for the Walled Garden
07/12/20	£39.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
21/12/20	£63.00		Refund from rose suppliers for roses that died after planting.
07/01/21	£167.00		Donation from Waitrose
21/01/21		£326.22	Reimbursement for plants for the Walled Garden
21/01/21		£31.03	Reimbursement for Domain Name expenses
25/01/21	£45.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
26/01/21	£356.30		Donation from Thompson Reuters volunteering scheme
11/02/21	£7.22		Donation from Amazon Smile
25/02/21	£80.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
25/03/21	£50.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
26/04/21		£78.65	Reimbursement for plants for the Walled Garden
28/04/21	£50.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
06/05/21	£50.00		Donation received at Litter Pick
24/05/21	£6.35		Donation from Amazon Smile
26/05/21	£17.13		Donations from EasyFundraising
28/05/21		£175.56	Payment for Public Liability insurance
07/06/21		£81.40	Reimbursement for plants purchased for beds in front of the Stables cafe
21/06/21	£15.00		Donation from F. Lawrence
01/07/21	£22.00		Donation received at Litter Pick
12/07/21	£50.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
16/08/21	£65.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
17/08/21	£10.35		Donation from Amazon Smile
31/08/21	£50.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
27/09/21		£52.50	Reimbursement for plants for the Walled Garden
19/10/21	£26.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
31/10/21			Closing Balance £921.07

THE FRIENDS OF GLADSTONE PARK

England & Wales - Charity number 1180529

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01/11/2019 to 31/10/2020

Charity name: Friends of Gladstone Park

Charity registration number: 1180529

Objectives and Activities

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- Liaising with community groups and the London Borough of Brent Council and facilitating events and fundraising in support of the stated objectives

During this period the Friends of Gladstone Park have supported these objectives with the activities below. Many activities during this period have been curtailed or cancelled due to Covid restrictions but as most of our activities are outside we have been fortunate enough to continue in a limited capacity.

- The annual nest-box building event for children went ahead although the insect Hotel building had to be cancelled due to Covid restrictions.
- Various guided walks through the parks led by an expert. This year there were walks with a focus on trees, birds, bats and butterflies although fewer than usual and with strict controls on numbers.
- Fundraising to purchase roses to refresh gaps in the existing rose-beds alongside the walled garden in the park.
- Organising regular Litter Picks in the park with members of the public.

The Friends of Gladstone Park also organise a weekly Gardening Group consisting of regular volunteers who undertake various tasks to maintain and improve the park – in particular the walled garden and the copse area. This working group continued throughout although with social distancing being observed, and any common tools being sanitised before and after use.

All trustees have had sight of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, to make sure this is taken into account during decision-making.

Achievements and Performance

All Friends of Gladstone Park activities have an underlying purpose of encouraging people into the park to enjoy and benefit from this beautiful public space.

The hedge alongside the rail line has been maintained through further community events and is thriving. Visually, it is clear that birds and butterflies and other insects are finding it attractive. Additionally, the remaining grant money from Tesco has been used to purchase further hedging plants which have formed a hedge along the other side of the railway.

While working on the rose beds adjacent to the walled garden within the park, it was clear that some gaps had opened up in these beds due to the death over time of various of the rose bushes. FOGP gained agreement from Brent Council and Veolia (who are contracted to maintain the parks) to organise refurbishing these rosebeds. Fundraising brought a fantastic response and we were able to purchase and plant all necessary rose bushes to refresh these beds. Unfortunately, the unveiling of a plaque to celebrate this, and a tea for volunteers and donors at the Town Hall, had to be cancelled due to Covid restrictions but we hope something may still be organised once these are lifted.

FoGP hosted a 'Memories Day' to invite local people to share their memories and associations with Gladstone Park. This was planned as gathering information towards a possible film or video presentation to contribute to Brent's Borough of Culture activities. However, this was also a victim of Covid but it was a lovely afternoon with some fascinating wartime memories being shared.

In an effort to reduce the amount of litter left in the park a member of the committee, a local artist, designed an attractive sticker to be placed on litter bins asking people not to pile up litter next to the bins if they are full, but to take it home to prevent foxes etc tearing open the bags and spreading the contents. The design was approved by Brent Council and a number of the trustees funded the printing of the stickers which have been placed on the bins in the park.



All fundraising coffee mornings, table days etc. had to be cancelled, as we aimed these for warmer weather, In order to get some income, the Gardening Group sets out a bucket for donations whilst working and this has meant we can cover costs.

Financial Review

At the end of this period we have £632.45 in the account, which is a healthy amount for us and a tribute to the generous users of Gladstone Park who drop donations into our bucket. Only a small amount remains ring-fenced - for bluebells.

Friends of Gladstone Park also registered with Amazon Smile and Easyfundraising during this period, to help boost income during a difficult time.

The charity does not hold reserves as there are no regular outgoings over and above the annual public liability insurance premium.

Friends of Gladstone Park Account

Balance at 1st November 2019: **£1,429.66**

Outgoings: **£3,148.04**

Public Liability Insurance, website costs and plants for the park. Notably, the roses to refurbish the rose-beds.

Income : **£2,357.83**

There were donations from Waitrose amounting to £533.00. A lot was down to purchases of roses but we also had income from general donations and money given during the various events that did manage to go ahead.

Balance as at 31st October 2020: **£632.45**

Structure, Governance and Management

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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)

Hazel Glenister

Full name(s)

HAZEL MARION GLENISTER

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

TREASURER

Date

30 / 08 / 2021



Friends of Gladstone Park Statement of Accounts 2019-2020

This statement covers the period 1st November 2019 to 31st October 2020

Friends of Gladstone Park Account

Balance at 1st November 2019: **£1,429.66**

Outgoings : £3,148.04

- Public Liability Insurance
- Website and email costs
- Plants for the park. Notably, the roses to refurbish the rose-beds and the plants for the hedge..
- Art materials for posters advertising events, and for the litter bin stickers
- Printing costs for the litter bin stickers

Income : £2,357.83

- Donations from Waitrose amounted to £533.00
- First donation from Amazon Smile received
- Most of the rest was down to rose purchases, but we still received a good amount of general donations in the bucket left out while the gardening group is working.

More detail of the transactions on the account are given overleaf.

Balance as at 31st October 2020: **£632.45**

Friends of Gladstone Park Account Transactions

Date	Incomin g	Outgoing	Description
11/01/18			Opening balance £1,429.66
11/01/19	£32.00		Rose Purchases
11/04/19	£45.72		Transfer from Paypal, Rose Purchases
11/06/19	£16.00		Rose Purchases
11/08/19	£32.00		Rose Purchases
11/14/19		£236.93	Reimbursement for Bluebells and other bulbs purchased for the park
11/18/19	£16.00		Rose Purchases
11/19/19	£48.00		Rose Purchases
11/19/19	£11.56		Donations from Memory Day event
11/19/19	£32.00		Rose Purchases
11/20/19	£16.00		Rose Purchases
11/25/19	£16.00		Rose Purchases
11/26/19	£32.00		Rose Purchases
11/26/19	£32.00		Rose Purchases
11/28/19	£32.00		Rose Purchases
12/02/19	£96.00		Rose Purchases
12/03/19		£399.79	Reimbursement for purchase of roses
12/17/19	£16.00		Rose Purchases
12/18/19	£16.00		Rose Purchases
12/19/19	£16.00		Rose Purchases
12/19/19	£48.00		Rose Purchases
12/23/19	£32.00		Rose Purchases
12/23/19	£232.77		Transfer from Paypal, Rose Purchases
01/02/20	£16.00		Rose Purchases
01/10/20		£444.32	Reimbursement for purchase of roses
01/10/20	£200.00		Donation from Waitrose Ltd.
01/10/20	£16.00		Rose Purchases
01/13/20	£91.73		Transfer from Paypal, Rose Purchases
01/16/20	£16.00		Rose Purchases
01/16/20	£60.00		Rose Purchases
01/21/20	£16.00		Rose Purchases

01/27/20		£59.29	Reimbursement for art materials
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Date	Incoming	Outgoing	Description
01/31/20	£16.00		Rose Purchases
02/11/20		£409.80	Reimbursement for purchase of roses
02/13/20		£570.18	Reimbursement for purchase of hedge plants
02/13/20	£76.87		Transfer from Paypal, Rose Purchases
02/13/20	£64.00		Rose Purchases
02/13/20		£31.49	Payment for website and email addresses
03/02/20		£175.56	Public Liability Insurance
05/05/20		£365.68	Reimbursement for shrubs and bulbs for the park
05/21/20	£5.00		Donation from Amazon Smile
06/29/20	£29.18		Donations received via Paypal
07/02/20	£35.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
07/10/20	£130.00		Contribution to Litter Bin Stickers
07/13/20		£65.00	Refund for overpayment (Litter Bin Stickers)
07/13/20	£65.00		Contribution to Litter Bin Stickers
07/13/20	£65.00		Contribution to Litter Bin Stickers
07/13/20	£65.00		Contribution to Litter Bin Stickers
07/21/20	£65.00		Contribution to Litter Bin Stickers
07/29/20		£390.00	Payment for printing Litter Bin Stickers
07/31/20	£65.00		Contribution to Litter Bin Stickers
08/12/20	£30.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
08/27/20	£333.00		Donation from Waitrose Ltd.
08/27/20	£18.00		Donations from Nest-Box building event
09/03/20	£25.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
10/13/20	£30.00		Donations from Gardening Group bucket
10/31/20			Closing Balance £632.45

