

Barton Lane Community Association
(Registered charity, number 1184179)
Financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024

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**Barton Lane Community Association
Trustees' annual report
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

Full name Barton Lane Community Association

Other names by which the charity is known Park Gate Community Centre

Organisation type Charitable incorporated organisation

Registered charity number 1184179

Principal address

Park Gate Community Centre, Chamberlain Close, Clifton, Nottingham, NG11 8RX

Trustees

P Wilkins, Chair	L Gilchrist
A Dunnett, Vice Chair	S Gilchrist
T Osborne, Secretary/Treasurer	D Goodfellow
C Farrow, Membership Secretary	A Darby
T Dunnett	

Independent examiner

John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

Governance and management

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO Association adopted 1st July 2019. Trustees are appointed and voted in at the AGM.

Objectives and activities

To further or benefit the residents of Clifton Lane/Barton Lane area of Nottingham and the neighbourhood, without discrimination of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents.

In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power: to establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

All activities bring all age groups together to socialise, support one another, and child development. Groups combat isolation, forms friendships, helps for support, advice etc. Most groups open to people of all disabilities, vulnerable people as well as promoting new skills, hobbies and interests.

Private hire parties/events for public promote family, friendships and neighbourhood cohesion.

Our main activities are as follows:

- Mondays: Monthly: Aquatics Group
- Tuesdays: Karate, Medieval Enactments Group
- Wednesdays: Little Angels (mums & toddlers)
- Thursdays: Children's Dance Group
- Fridays: Monthly Councillor Surgery, Good Companions, Park Gate Community Kitchen, Friday after-school club 'The Ark';
- Saturdays: Hire for Parties/bi-monthly councillor surgery
- Sundays: AGCF Church Group 9.30am to 1pm, party hire from 1pm.

Summary of the main achievements during the period

- Raised finances to complete energy saving lighting throughout the centre.
- Had an Easter Breakfast & Lunch Club for ages 5-12yrs old. Holding 4 days sessions for 45-50 children each of the 4 days sessions.
- Secured 1 councillor surgery at centre(bi-monthly)
- Arranged 3 Christmas meals for local residents, vulnerable and socially isolated at Christmas week & on Boxing day.
- Held a Carol Service with residents and local councillors. MP switched the outside Tree Lights on and Santa came with selection boxes for residents & children.
- Provided Xmas parcels, & children's gifts over Christmas period at no cost through our Community Kitchen, NCC Grant & National Grid Grant, and also gifts from local Gregg's, Lidl, Tesco etc.
- Ran weekly groups at centre and provided small maintenance work in and around centre's grounds. As well as garden area.
- Secured £10,000 from National Grid for Fuel Poverty, Hire of centre & manager, energy items, signposting, warm space, food and snacks from November 2023 to 31st March 2024.
- Secured a NCC Grant £917.96 (kitchen equipment, Party gifts/ Entertainer/ Party Food/ Crafts & Food for Xmas Hampers)
- Had 3 Wrestling Events for families bringing in rent and money from Kitchen Snacks. Also promoting the centre.

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Financial review

The utility bills were unsustainable last year and NCC would not replace old lighting in the centre. So we raised funds to re-place lighting otherwise we would have had to close the centre in 2024. The electric bills are a third of the monthly costs now. Regular advertising for hire of centre has been unsuccessful, we have no new regular groups. And NCC are not in a position to help any of the community centre's financially either. So we continue to advertise centre for hire. And we continue to apply for grants for the centre.

The charity's policy on reserves

The charity has no specific policy with regard to the level of reserves.

Risk analysis

Financial insecurity could mean the close of the centre.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Date _____
P Wilkins, Trustee

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Barton Lane Community Association
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Barton Lane Community Association (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed _____ Date _____

John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE

Employee of Community Accounting Plus

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Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 March 2024

2023				2024	
Total		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
Funds		Funds	Funds	Funds	
£	Note	£	£	£	
	Receipts				
15329	Grants & donations	2	2428	12145	14573
3190	Fundraising		1949	-	1949
5293	Room rents		7560	-	7560
4024	Super kitchen takings		-	4513	4513
<u>27836</u>	Total receipts		<u>11937</u>	<u>16658</u>	<u>28595</u>
	Payments				
3622	Activities & materials		-	650	650
141	Cleaning & hygiene		24	-	24
496	Equipment, repairs & renewals		4739	487	5226
233	Food for resale		-	476	476
50	Hospitality		-	535	535
384	Independent examination		-	-	-
486	Insurance		502	-	502
2106	Membership		-	1054	1054
264	Payroll service		264	-	264
8274	Premises maintenance		-	-	-
198	Printing & stationery		25	-	25
80	Professional fees		436	-	436
119	Publicity		-	-	-
48	Rent		-	-	-
1130	Telephone, internet & postage		1404	-	1404
170	Travel & subsistence		-	-	-
7951	Utilities		9488	1378	10866
3808	Wages, NI & pension		4672	-	4672
-	Volunteer expenses		100	-	100
-	Sundry payments		112	-	112
<u>29560</u>	Total payments		<u>21766</u>	<u>4580</u>	<u>26346</u>
(1724)	Net receipts/(payments)		(9829)	12078	2249
10433	Cash funds at start of this period		8709	-	8709
-	Transfers between funds		12078	(12078)	-
8709	Cash funds at end of this period		10958	-	10958

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Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 March 2024**

2023		2024
£		£
8709	Cash assets	
8709	Bank accounts	10958
		10958
	Other monetary assets	
2472	Prepayments	1437
2472		1437
	Assets retained for the charity's own use	
	General equipment	
	Liabilities	
(2029)	Creditors - independent examination fee	420
(2029)		420

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed _____ Dated _____
T Osborne, Trustee

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Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2024

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. Grants & donations

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Block - utilities	-	1378	1378
Tesco - kitchen	-	500	500
Nottingham City Council - Christmas	-	917	917
National Grid - warm space	-	8850	8850
Sundry donations	2428	500	2928
	2428	12145	14573

Block fund is funding received from Nottingham City Council and is restricted for the running costs of the building.

National Grid grant for Fuel Poverty is restricted to: hire of centre, use of kitchen and cooking meals, food/snacks, warm space, fuel packs (radiator foil, water bottle, draught excluder, blanket, led bulb, hat/gloves/scarf, insulated mug, timer), manager of centre to run sessions: signpost, to distribute fuel packs, run the warm space, provide food/snacks and cook etc.

Nottingham City Council grant for £917.96 is restricted for kitchen equipment, food for Xmas hampers, gifts/food/entertainer/crafts for 3 children's groups for Xmas parties etc.

3. Funds analysis

	Opening balance £	Receipts (Payments) £		Transfers £	Closing balance £
Restricted funds					
Block	-	1378	(1378)	-	-
Super Kitchen	-	5513	(1530)	(3983)	-
Christmas	-	917	(827)	(90)	-
National Grid	-	8850	(845)	(8005)	-
	-	16658	(4580)	(12078)	-
Unrestricted funds					
General	8709	11937	(21766)	12078	10958
	8709	11937	(21766)	12078	10958

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The transfer from the National Grid to the general fund is for the costs mentioned above; utilities, rent and wages.

As can be seen above, the surplus generated by the Super Kitchen supports the general running of the charity.

4. Prepayments

	£
Russell Scanlan - insurance	225
BT - telephone	158
FareShare - membership	1054
	<u>1437</u>

5. Premises & staff

The premises are provided by the local authority.

6. Trustees' remuneration

During the accounting period, a total of £3,579 was paid to T Osborne in wages.

7. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in this period.

8. Glossary of terms

Creditors: These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.

Prepayments: These are services that the charity has paid for in advance, but not used during the accounting period.

Restricted funds: These are funds given to the charity, subject to specific restrictions set by the donor, but still within the general objects of the charity.