



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 06/04/2024
To 05/04/2025

Period start date
Period end date

Charity name: BARNWOOD N2

Charity registration number: 1185051

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Our object is "to provide and maintain an open space to be known as 'Barnwood' for the benefit of the inhabitants of East Finchley and Barnet and to be used as an area for recreation and other leisure time occupations, as a meeting area or place for community events and for any other lawful purpose and for the general benefit of the community, in the interests of social welfare, and with the object of improving the condition of life of the said inhabitants."
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Barnwood continues to grow in many ways. We welcome the public every week with free access to the site on Fridays/ Saturdays/ Sundays, facilitated by a rota of volunteers from our group of trustees. Our regular 'sheltered' groups continue to meet throughout the year (Mondays to Thursdays) with May seeing our 'Silver Birches' group attending a 6-week structured 'outdoor skills' course, which was well-attended and enjoyed by all. June saw essential repairs to our disabled access path, with the top surface stripped off and an extra 6 tons of materials laid on top.</p> <p>In July, BBC London came and filmed a report on our 'N2 MumSpeak' group, which aired in the evening and was repeated the next morning. Barnwood looked resplendant on the telly (and was seen by so many people!).</p> <p>Four Tuesdays in August saw the pilot of our much-awaited 'Intergenerational Forest School' scheme come to fruition; bringing together (on average 12 of each) over 55's with 6-11 year-olds, sharing outdoor activities and led by 2 experienced leaders plus helpers. This was an outstanding</p>

		<p>success beyond our expectations and we are already planning next year's scheme. The much-expected Halloween/Samhain event was very well attended with several new young families turning up. This was as a result of our cooperation with Barnet 0-19 Social Services who use Barnwood every Wednesday.</p> <p>It was a quiet Christmas period this year but the new year saw us plant another 200 tree whips, mainly as hedgerow. Finally, in March a film was shot (for Grange Big Local) about Barnwood. It was fascinating to see drone footage of our seemingly tiny site from above, which only helps us realise how much we have packed into our small space and realise our achievements so far. The stewardship of the site has certainly reaped rewards shown by the flora and fauna using the space.</p> <p>This year's moth records were 2272 specimen of 222 species.</p> <p>We will continue to work with other local service providers to reach as many people as possible and welcome them to share in the delights of Barnwood, whilst nature continues to find its own way.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Charity Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Local people now feel a sense of ownership and belonging which has been a great boost to their mental and physical wellbeing. There are lots of individual cases where we can really see the change in people's confidence and self esteem as a result of their interaction.</p> <p>We must not forget the improvement to the Environment itself and the wildlife in and around the site.</p> <p>We cooperate with several London/national organisations which has two way benefits for nature and our visitors.</p> <p>It must be noted that there is another positive...there have been NO incidences of vandalism or antisocial behaviour so far observed.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>In the financial year (2023/24) ending 5 April 2025, Barwood N2's total income was £5,162, with £5,126 received in grants and donations. We received £4880 from Grange Big Local to support our Intergenerational Forest School project for families run in summer 2024 and summer 2025.</p> <p>Barnwood N2's expenditure in 2024/25 amounted to £5,456, with most of the unrestricted funds of £3,214 spent on the Coronation Pond, Website and Publicity, Insurance and Maintenance, while £2,242 of the restricted funds covered our activity on the ongoing Silver Birches project and the first summer of the Intergenerational Project. At the year-end, we registered a balance of £18,288 in the Barnwood N2 bank account, of which £4,322 was restricted.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No reserves currently held and reserves policy will be reviewed in the next financial year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	None.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	No creditors / regular financial commitments in case we fold.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Apart from first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of 3 years by a resolution passed at an appropriate convened meeting of the charity trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	BARNWOOD N2
Other name the charity uses	BARNWOOD
Registered charity number	1185051
Charity's principal address	C/O Avra Ploumi 3 Brownsell Road London N2 8LA

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	LEO SMITH	CHAIR	WHOLE	
2	DINAH BEAMISH	SECRETARY	WHOLE	
3	ELIZABETH JAMES	TREASURER	WHOLE	
4	AVRA PLOUMI – ARCHER		WHOLE	
5	ALISON MOORE		WHOLE	
6	NATAN LEVY		Until 13.10.2024	
7	CELIA GREEN		WHOLE	
8	IVANA SHARP		From 02.03.2025	
9	CHRIS HURWITZ		From 02.03.2025	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

None.


Other optional information

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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)	LEO STANLEY SMITH	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	29.01.2025	



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Barnwood N2

No 1185051

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
06-Apr-24


To

Period end date
05-Apr-25

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					
Grants and Donations	946	4,180	-	5,126	10,513
Other	36	-	-	36	39
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	982	4,180	-	5,162	10,552
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	982	4,180	-	5,162	10,552
A3 Payments					
Silver Birches	-	186	-	186	503
Community Events	54	-	-	54	1,861
Website and Publicity	204	-	-	204	585
Admin	139	-	-	139	10
Insurance	367	-	-	367	323
Training	30	-	-	30	-
Equipment and Maintenance	104	-	-	104	969
Coronation pond	2,256	-	-	2,256	692
Intergen Project	-	2,056	-	2,056	-
Bank Charges	60	-	-	60	59
Sub total	3,214	2,242	-	5,456	5,002
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,214	2,242	-	5,456	5,002
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,232	1,938	-	- 294	5,550
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,198	2,384	-	18,582	13,032
Cash funds this year end	13,966	4,322	-	18,288	18,582

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	CAF Bank Current Account	15,706	2,582	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	13,966	4,322	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
	Storage shed	unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		LEO SMITH	28.01.2026	