



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 10th September 2019

To 9th September 2020

Charity name: Trees For Derby

Charity registration number: 1185054

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment for the public benefit, by planting trees in the city of Derby and surrounding area, to mitigate the effects of climate change. To advance education of the public in the above.
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	Our main activities have been to encourage volunteers of all ages to participate in planting and nurturing trees and protecting the local environment. We have been active in developing a tree planting strategy in partnership with Derby City Council, University of Derby, local schools and businesses.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The above have been carried out in compliance with Trees for Derby's duty to have due regard for the Commission's public benefit guidance.

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	Para 1.38

investment

Contribution made by
volunteers

Para 1.38

The charity aims to include volunteers in various ways including acting as a local co-ordinator for wards of the city, by identifying sites and assisting organisation of planting events. Volunteers are also encouraged to assist with planting trees. However due to Covid issues, some planting events with volunteers were cancelled in 2020. The charity has set out a Covid planting policy to deal with future events.

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

The charity has developed a wide volunteer base of over 250 people of all ages. Many of whom have created new plantations with us, improving the local environment

The charity has planted approximately 6000 trees in the first season on 8 different sites around the city including 1 primary school (with the aid of school children as part of a learning experience).

Some sites have fared relatively well with reasonable growth and yields observed at the end of the summer period. The feedback from residents has been good where received. However, some sites have fared poorly under the various hot and dry spells of the spring and summer of 2020. As a result, the group have identified some improvements in planting technique to improve future yields.

Future sites have also been identified and recorded to explore the potential for planting. Sites for planting have largely been Council owned although the charity is not restricted to using such

land and is actively seeking

Relationships have been made with external bodies for collaboration of various means including Derby City Council, Derby Homes, University of Derby ,Derby Green Spaces, Friends of Derby Parks.

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	See attached end of year accounts. These show that at the 31st July 2020 the account has a balance of £2,542.95
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	None
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	None
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	None
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a	Para 1.23	None

going concern

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

Fundraising in order to be able to provide resource for events, site maintenance and resources such as tools and trees has been carried out in the form of a request for donations from the public, members and enquiries to local businesses. This has provided small donations per the charity accounts, also some items such as gloves, secateurs and spades, all of which was gratefully received.

Further tools were received on loan from the City Council Parks Department

Trees were sourced from two main parties: The Woodlands Trust provided trees, canes and spirals free of charge following application for the "community tree packs". Further trees, canes and spirals were provided free of charge from the TCV, "I dig trees" scheme.

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

**Weather affecting yield of planting.
Availability of land for planting.
Availability of funds in the form of
donations or grants, for activities.
Availability of volunteers for planting
events.**

Other

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:

Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution adopted 29 July 2019
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(trust deed, royal charter)

How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO
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(e.g unincorporated association, 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	
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

None

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

Future Plans:

The coming year will see the development of a city-wide programme of tree planting by volunteer helpers, with special encouragement to young people to improve the environment and become involved in activities geared to addressing climate change

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name Tree For Derby

Other name the charity
uses

Registered charity
number 1185054

Charity's principal
address 19 Thornhill Road
Derby
DE22 3LX

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	Joe Naitta			
2	Adam Link		Sept 2019 – May 2020	
3	Kathryn Ball	Secretary		
4	Alyson Lee	Treasurer		
5	Reg Hand	Chair		
6	Gemma Hurley		Sept 2019 – May 2020	
7	Richard Simkins		May 2020 -	
8	Helen Hitchcock		May 2020 -	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved
Director name

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name

Dates acted if not for whole year

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

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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)

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Full name(s)

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**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

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Date

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Trees for Derby
Accounts for Year Ending 31st July 2020

Income		2019 - 2020	
Donations		£2,612.06	
Misc.	(account tests)	£1.01	
Total Income		£2,613.07	
Expenditure			
Labels & Stickers		£70.12	
Total Expenditure		£70.12	
Excess of income over expenditure		£2,542.95	
Cash Reconcilliation	Opening Balance	£0.00	
	Plus surplus	£2,542.95	
Closing Balance		£2,542.95	
Represented by	Coop Current Account	£2,542.95	
Total		£2,542.95	

Date:

Signed

Trees for Derby
Accounts for Year Ending 31st July 2020

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Date:

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