



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 22/10/2019 **Period start date** **To** 05/04/2021
Period end date

Charity name: National Federation of Parks and Green Spaces (NFPGS)

Charity registration number: 1185924

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	The objects of the NFPGS are To promote the voluntary sector concerned with the protection and improvement of the UK's parks and open green spaces of all kinds as public facilities and resources for the benefit of the public by: a) Influencing strategic decision-making and policy, and lobbying for statutory recognition and adequate funding for public green space; b) Addressing the deficiencies of green space in the environment; c) Advancing the education of the public in the enjoyment, understanding, appreciation and conservation of open spaces; d) Promoting the development and empowerment of Friends/Community Groups for parks and open spaces, and their Forums and Networks, their communication and cooperation, and their full involvement in the management of their parks and open spaces; e) Raising the profile of members and the Friends Groups movement as a whole.
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.	NFPGS provides advocacy, advice, and information to its members and the wider public in support of its' charitable objects. NFPGS acts as an umbrella for Friends Groups Forums and other stakeholders of public open spaces nationally.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	In the pursuance of these activities the Charity Trustees have given due regard to the Charity Commissions public benefit guidance.

Achievements and Performance

<p>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.</p>	<p>NFPGS led a series of successful regional conferences around England ('Parks and People: Stronger Together') to improve national coordination and build the network. These events were led by NFPGS, backed by Locality and Groundwork, and supported by funding from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG). A report was prepared and circulated in June, highlighting the commitment and contribution of parks and green space community groups, the importance of community empowerment and value of peer to peer support and local, area and national networking. The conferences and report stressed the need for adequate funding and protection of the nation's parks and green spaces. And the need for adequate support infrastructure through the NFPGS (currently unfunded). Although the conference development grew from the Parks Action Group¹ (PAG) this body has subsequently been inactive owing to competing Govt demands (Election/ Brexit/ Covid19). Additional information was prepared by NFPGS through a national survey - details at: https://natfedparks.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/NFPGS-MHCLG-Survey-ReportSummary-23.4.2020-converted.pdf Collectively these initiatives effectively doubled the NFPGS contacts database, raising the network profile and strengthening the grass roots parks movement. NFPGS has been supporting The Parks Alliance https://www.theparksalliance.org to prepare 'Make Parks Count' a report to support the PAG and make a business case to HM Gov. for increased funding. The report is available at: https://www.theparksalliance.org/making-parks-count-the-case-for-parks/ The Parks Community Project developed through Friends of Lordship Rec. is a 2yr programme including the one-stop shop website https://parkscommunity.org.uk. Alongside the project work, NFPGS has continued to provide communication and promotion including regular MailChimp bulletins, updates and additional social media activity, linking with sector partners including Parks Community UK, Fields in Trust, etc. Twitter (@NatFedParks) has almost 1900 followers.</p>
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	There are unlikely to be reserves, as donations are usually given to fund certain projects. However if reserves are accumulated, these will be spent on furthering the aims and objectives of the organisation. Reserves will not be allowed to accumulate in excess of six months average expenditure
Amount of reserves held	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	
Details of fund materially in deficit	NFPGS does not incur financial liabilities and so should not find itself in deficit
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	n/a

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	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	Election by Federation members

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	National Federation of Parks and Green Spaces
Other name the charity uses	NFPGS
Registered charity number	1185924
Charity's principal address	7 CARRICK GARDENS LONDON N17 7AX

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	Roland C. Bruce		Resigned 12/09/2020	
2	Michelle E. Furtado			
3	David Morris	Chair		
4	Sarah Elizabeth Royal			
5	Nigel Thomas Sharp	Secretary		
6	Martin Willis	Vice-Chair		

Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
n/a		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
n/a		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
n/a		

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

n/a

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

n/a

Other optional information



n/a

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)

Dave Morris	Martin Willis
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Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair	
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Date

17/11/2021



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Charity Name National Federation of Parks & Green Spaces	No (if any) 1185924
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 4/3/2019	To	Period end date 4/5/2020
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
Cash balance brought forward	6,778		-	6,778
Keep Britain Tidy donation	-	1,016	-	1,016
Keep Britain Tidy donation	-	1,164	-	1,164
Locality project funding	-	40,000	-	40,000
Sponsorship and donations	1,618	-	-	1,618
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,396	42,180	-	50,576
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,396	42,180	-	50,576
A3 Payments				
Meeting & travel expenses	-	501	-	501
Website & bank charges	-	72	-	72
Locality project expenses	-	37,295	-	37,295
Printing	155	-	-	155
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	155	37,868	-	38,023
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	155	37,868	-	38,023
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,241	4,312	-	12,553
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	8,241	4,312	-	12,553


Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	KBT Funds	-	1,606
	Locality Project	-	2,706
	General funds	8,241	-
	Total cash funds	8,241	4,312
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
			-
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Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

		
		Martin Willis

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Last year

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**Endowment
funds**

to nearest £

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**Current value
(optional)**

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**When due
(optional)**

Date of approval	
5/16/2020	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the
trustees/ members
of**

Charity Name

National Federation of Parks and Green Spaces

**On accounts for the
year ended**

4th April 2020

**Charity
no (if
any)**

1185924

Set out on pages

One page, receipts and payments account CC16a NFPGS 2019 to 2021.xls

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 04/04/2020.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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

**Independent
examiner's
statement**

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

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Caroline A. Jepson

Date:

26.01.21

Name:

Caroline Anne Jepson

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professional
qualification(s) or
body (if any):**

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



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Section A**Independent Examiner's Report****Report to the trustees/ members of**

Charity Name

National Federation of Parks and Green Spaces

On accounts for the year ended

04th April 2021

Charity no (if any)

1185924

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Signed:**Date:** 19/12/21**Name:**

Caroline A Jepson

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