



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **NOV 2024** To **OCT 2025**

Charity name: Buddies Of Beckets

Charity registration number: 1186989

Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | Promote conservation, protection & improvement of Beckets Park. Promote for benefit of inhabitants of Northampton. |
| 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 | We have continued to raise the profile of the park with local media coverage. The campaign to secure the pavilion building was achieved 2 years ago and this has been supported by the public making it a success for the owner and continues to attract more people to use the park year on year. |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
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| 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 | Volunteers have continued to give time for meetings litter picks/tidy ups and events held in the park. |
| Other | | |

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Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
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| 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>As mentioned above, we have continued to raise the profile of the park with local media when requested and working with local council partners.</p> <p>The campaign to secure the pavilion was achieved 2 years ago. The business person who has opened up a Pavilion Café has created employment for local people and most importantly created a warm and welcoming atmosphere to the park. This has continued with ongoing success and a thriving community using its facilities.</p> <p>The annual beer festival also took place along with Eid in the park and the Christmas light switch on. In Dec 24 we held an Elf Door Hunt which attracted over 100 participants raising awareness of the park and increasing usage of the Pavilion Cafe. The wild flower meadow had some work done on it by volunteers and continues to be a success with more work planned.</p> |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| 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

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | We have a balance which enables the continuation of our activities. |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves | Para 1.22 | |
| Details of fund materially in deficit | Para 1.24 | |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| 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

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter) | Para 1.25 | |
| How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO) | Para 1.25 | |
| 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 | |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| 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

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| Charity name | Buddies of Beckets |
| Other name the charity uses | |
| Registered charity number | 1186989 |
| Charity's principal address | 2 Billing Road Northampton NN1 5AN |
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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) |
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| 1 | Nicholas Stephens | Chair | | |
| 2 | Rachel Packman | | | |
| 3 | Mick Young | | | |
| 4 | Alice Morgan | | | |
| 5 | Rob Smith | Treasurer | | |
| 6 | Sue Ward | | | |
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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

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| 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 |
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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)

Rob Smith

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| Rob Smith | |
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

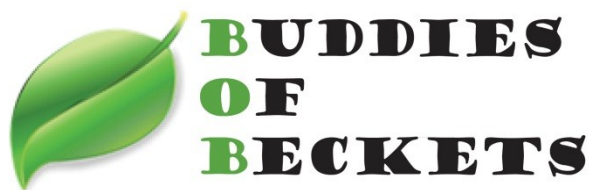
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| Treasurer | |
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Date

12/06/2026

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November 2024 to October 2025 Finance Summary

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| Balance carried forward | 3823.32 |
| Petty Cash | |

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| 23 Dec 2024: Income from Elf Door Hunt | 125.00 |
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| Total Receipts | 3948.32 |
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Payments

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| 05 Dec 24: Public Liability Insurance (Luisa) | 329.92 |
| 24 Feb 25: Litter Picking Equipment (Sue) | 46.19 |
| 10 Mar 25: Volunteer Meeting Expenses (Nick) | 38.46 |
| 28 Apr 25: Volunteer Meeting Expenses (Nick) | 23.93 |
| 08 Aug 25 Metro Signs (Plastic for Info Boards) | 408.00 |
| 29 Aug 25: Tool Station (Remover) Luisa | 13.00 |
| 30 Oct 25: Volunteer Meeting Expenses (Mick) | 27.70 |
| 30 Oct 25: Volunteer Meeting Expenses (Nick) | 60.30 |

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| Total payments | 947.50 |
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| Balance carried forward | 3000.82 |
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The current bank balance of **3000.82** comprises partly of the following donations, parts of which now used (ie seeds purchased) the remainder are general donations received and income from events.

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| Aviva (Seeds) | 422 |
| Clr Flavell (Bench) | 500 |
| Ideverde (Plaque/Board) | 1000 |
| Donations = Remainder | |