



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 19th December 2019 (period start date) to 5th April 2021 (period end date)

Charity name: Friends of Bennerley Viaduct

Charity registration number: 1187044

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Friends of Bennerley Viaduct promote, for the benefit of the public, the conservation, protection and improvement of Bennerley Viaduct and its surrounding area, and advance the education of the public in the history, stories, conservation, protection and improvement of Bennerley Viaduct and its surrounding area.
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	The Friends carry out conservation and improvement on and around the Grade II* listed Bennerley Viaduct on the Derbyshire-Nottinghamshire border. We inform the public through guided walks, talks, publications, exhibitions, outreach activities, social media and a website. Our work with schools, community groups and lifelong learners delivers learning about local heritage. We raise funds for conservation, improved access to the site and learning programmes to benefit those living in the shadow of "The Iron Giant of the East Midlands".
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We confirm trustees have been made aware of the guidance issued by the CC on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	We do not make grants as a charity.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	The recently approved NHLF project focusses on social inclusion on the development of Bennerley Viaduct as a heritage visitor attraction
Contribution made by volunteers		Between September 1 st 2019 – March 22 nd 2021, it is calculated that volunteers

	Para 1.38	contributed 1147 hours of time to the Viaduct. We are indebted to our volunteers.
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	Supporting the owners of the viaduct, Railway Paths Limited, to complete a three-year project to restore and provide public access to and across the viaduct. Successfully achieving a Severn Trent grant to develop and conserve the area under and around the viaduct. Achieving a £250k National Heritage Lottery Fund grant to run a project to develop the capacity and capability of the FoBV trustees and committee to run and develop the viaduct as a national heritage visitor attraction. This will bring economic development and social cohesion to the area of significant deprivation in the adjoining areas of Ilkeston, Cotmanhay and Awsworth.

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	It is reasonable to conclude that the FoBV is on a sound financial footing.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to ensure funding to cover the office and other costs associated with running FoBV, and now to provide the 5% matched funding for the NHLF project
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£50k
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/a
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	The charity is looking to investigate further funding for NLHF and grant funders, such as PHF and Esme Fairbairn.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The charity is not in a position to be making investments with its funds, instead spending them on projects and the maintenance and improvement of the viaduct and surrounding area.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The key concerns on the charity are the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, reliance of key team members who are nearing retirement from their roles (succession planning) and ensuring the viaduct is safe and risks signposted when it reopens.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	CIO - ASSOCIATION Registered 19 Dec 2019 as amended on 12 May 2021
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO - ASSOCIATION Registered 19 Dec 2019 as amended on 12 May 2021
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	Trustee posts are filled by widely advertised open competition against an agreed skills matrix, when required. The adopted constitution does not allow any body or organisation to appoint 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	Friends of Bennerley Viaduct
Other name the charity uses	Bennerley Viaduct
Registered charity number	1187044
Charity's principal address	Castledine House 5-9 Heanor Road Ilkeston DE7 8DY

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	John Scruton	Chair	Appointed 29 April 2019 to present	
2	Ian Baxter		Appointed 24 December 2020 to present	
3	James Dawson		Appointed 22 December 2020 to present	
4	Martin Edwards		Appointed 24 December 2020 to present	
5	Peter Harris		Appointed 24 December 2020 to present	
6	Helen Martinez		Appointed 24 December 2020 to present	
7	Gareth Morgan		Appointed 24 December 2020 to present	
8	Glynn Wilton		Appointed 24 December 2020 to present	

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

[illegible]

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

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

N/A


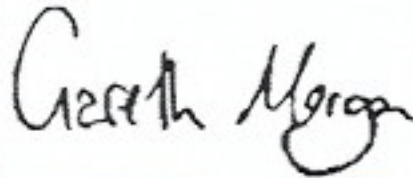
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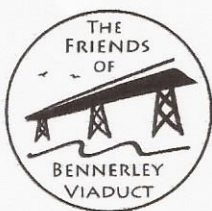
Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	JOHN SCRUTON	GARETH MORGAN
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	TRUSTEE

Date 



The Friends of Bennerley Viaduct

(Registered Charity No 1187044)

Treasurer's Report

I am pleased to present my report and Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31.03.2021.

INCOME.

The total income for the year was £42,221. As well as the generous financial support received from Railway Paths Limited, World Monuments Fund and several local councils; it is particularly significant to note that just over £8,800 was received by way of memberships, donations and related gift aid. The continued support of members is essential and very much appreciated.

EXPENDITURE.

The total expenditure for the year amounted to £21,924. Comprising mainly Community Engagement, office rent and general operating expenses. Most of the outgoings were covered by grants and other funding. It is our aim to ensure, wherever possible, that costs are covered by a funding stream in some way.

MERCHANDISE.

In arriving at the total excess of Income over Expenditure the profit on the sale of merchandise and donated goods is added. This amounted to £1,137 and is shown in greater detail in the notes on the second page.

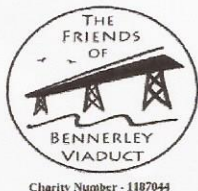
TOTAL BALANCE OF FUNDS.

When the balance brought forward from the previous year (£6,024) is added to the current years excess of Income over Expenditure, the total balance is £27,458. It is reasonable to conclude that FoBV is on a sound financial footing. The balance is fully represented by cash at bank and PayPal.

NOTES.

The notes on the second page provide further details of the balances of funds most of which, with the exception of £2,511, are unrestricted. The notes also detail the Debtors, Prepayments, Creditors and Accruals taken into account in preparing the Income & Expenditure Account.

Tim Reed
Treasurer
April 2021



The Friends of Bennerley Viaduct Income & Expenditure Account Year Ended 31st March 2021

Income

	£	£
Railway Paths Ltd.	12,940	
Grant - DCC - Cllr King	500	
Grant - EBC - Cllr Frudd	100	
Grant - DCC - Cllr Flatley	1,000	
Grant - WMF 1 - 3rd Installment	2,400	
Grant - WMF 3/Amex - Oral Hist. etc.	4,000	
Donation - John Nottingham decd.	430	
Grant - Severn Trent Plc	2,000	
Erewash BC COVID-19 RHLG Grant*	10,000	
Gift Aid	1,265	
Memberships & Donations	7,587	
		42,221

Expenditure

Office Rent	2,845	
Training - Office 365	300	
Insurance	135	
Data Protection Registration Fee	40	
Office & Sundry Expenses	1,391	
Community Engagement	16,355	
Printer Usage/Maintenance	345	
Image Design Fee	150	
Leaflets	216	
PayPal & Card Fees	148	
		21,924
See Note Profit on Sale of Donated Goods and Merchandise		1,137

Excess of Income over Expenditure

		21,434
Opening Bank Balance		6,024
Closing Balances (see below)		27,458

	NatWest	20,933	
	Santander	1,661	
	PayPal	5,497	
See Note	Promotional Event - Cycle Ride 2021	-732	
See Note	Debtors & Prepayments	804	
See Note	Creditors & Accruals	-1,978	
See Note	Stock movement	1274	27,458

Funding Summary

	£
Project funding	10,000
Erewash BC COVID-19 RHLG Grant*	1,875
Severn Trent Plc	1,611
Restricted Funds Balances	2,511 see below
Other Free Funds	11,461
	<u><u>27,458</u></u>

Restricted Funds - Balances	Received	Spent	Balance
	£	£	£
WMF 1 (Office Support)	4,040	3,045	995
John Nottingham decd.	430	0	430
WMF 3 - Amex	4,000	2,913	1,087
	<u><u>8,470</u></u>	<u><u>5,959</u></u>	<u><u>2,511</u></u>

* RHLG = Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant.

Debtors & Prepayments

	£
Ladbroke Insurance	190
Office 365	70
Gift Aid	544
	<u><u>804</u></u>

Creditors & Accruals

	£
Sage Accounting	14
TDC - Printer usage and maintenance	282
Varilink - Website development	432
Community Engagement	1250
	<u><u>1978</u></u>

Merchandise Account

Sales of Merchandise	2849	
Purchases	3386	
Opening Stock	400	
Closing Stock	1674	
Stock Movement	<u><u>1274</u></u>	
Cost of Sales	2112	
<u>Profit on Sales of Merchandise</u>	<u>737</u>	35%
Sales of donated items - books, CDs, DVDs etc.	400	
TOTAL PROFIT	<u><u>1137</u></u>	

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 MARCH 2021

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 MARCH 2021

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 30th April 2021