

The year started with us finalising the drainage scheme with the local authority and then waiting for the build date from Canvas, who have designed the skate park.

It became obvious that, due to inflation and the amount of time it has taken to get to the point where we can build, because of the standard of the soil, and because of the huge cost of the drainage scheme, that we were not going to be able to build the skate park that was originally designed and signed off by the community. Although we were very disappointed we had no choice and we knew that we would still have a skate park that users would enjoy. However there was some negative feedback about what we had lost and we decided that once finished we would then continue fundraising to get the bowl.

After many delays and missed start dates, Canvas finally started work in July. We had started to fear we would lose some funding due to the delays but all funders stuck with us.

We held skateboarding lessons for younger children over the summer to build up awareness of the build work.

The Skate Park was built and signed off by ROSPA and operational by early September and we held an opening event with local MSs and MP and councillors and lots of users in October. The event was great, but it was again obvious that users were disappointed at the loss of the bowl. So we said we would start the ball rolling to get the bowl that was omitted in the build.

Lots of fundraising activities have been held and are planned.

The local authority Young Service, Yeps, set up lessons for skateboarding in the community.

We had many teething problems following the build of the skate park. One of the worst was that due to the very rainy summer we had had, the earth surrounding the skate park was very muddy, and lots of mud was being carried onto the park. We quickly identified a solution and paid a local contractor, along with a volunteer to solve the problem around the direct area.

We then had reports of youngsters with electric bikes and motor bikes even, coming into the park and speeding through the skate park. One small girl nearly got knocked by one of the youngsters. With the help of the local chamber of trade we put up a robust fence around the skate park. This solved the problem of the bikes and also meant that no mud was being carried onto the skate park.

We have always said that the skate park needs to be open to all people, and so when we built the fence it was vital to us that it was still accessible to wheelchair users.

We have had people traveling from Cardiff up to try out the skate park.

The gym was continuing to be well used. One of the gym equipment pieces broke and we fixed the broken gym piece with help from RCT CBC.

Although we seeded the surrounded area with grass seeds, because of the weather and time of year the seeds didn't take, which left us with still quite a muddy surround. We decided to wait until spring to try again.

Friends of Tyn y Bryn Park

Financial Statement for the year ending 31st December 2024

PROFIT AND LOSS / INCOME STATEMENT

	£ FYE 2022	£ FYE 2023	£ FYE 2024
<u>INCOME</u>			
Fundraising income	£905.00	£697.00	£10,310.73
Donations	£75.00		
Grants received	£50,500.00	£14,241.00	£274,895.34
TOTAL	£51,480.00	£14,938.00	£285,206.07
 <u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
Project expenditure:			
Groundworks	£3,750.00	£45,080.00	£104,515.27
Stakeholder engagement		£3,910.00	
Skatepark build			£163,898.11
Outdoor gym/equipment	£12,500.00		
Professional fees	£2,446.00	£4,738.00	£994.54
Insurance			£654.04
TOTAL	£18,696.00	£53,728.00	£270,061.96
 Net income	£32,784.00	-£38,790.00	£15,144.11

BALANCE SHEET

<u>ASSETS</u>			
Barclays bank account	£49,193.00	£21,312.00	£28,586.33
VAT refund	£3,541.00	-£7,368.00	£46,849.32



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Friends of Tyn y Bryn Park

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1188906

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(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 31/12/2023.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:

Date:

16th October 2025

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