

FRIENDS OF CHASE PARK

England & Wales · Charity number 1189189

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-04-23

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS:FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF WHICKHAM AND THE SURROUNDING AREA ("THE AREA OF BENEFIT"), TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION AND OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE INHABITANTS OF THE AREA OF BENEFIT IN PARTICULAR BY SUPPORTING, DEVELOPING, IMPROVING AND PROTECTING CHASE PARK.

Activities: Information on the charity's activities is not available

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LOCAL
- Gateshead

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31		-	-	-
2023-12-31		-	-	-
2022-12-31	£29,240	£41,014		-
2021-12-31	£7,460	£6,997		-
2020-12-31	£4,990	£336		-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JAMES EDWARD TUBMAN	Chair	2020-04-21
Andrew Joseph Bolland		2024-06-25
Susan Tubman		2022-04-28

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1	Month January	Year 2022		Day 31	Month December	Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Friends of Chase Park
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1189189
Charity's principal address	Friends of Chase Park
	Pavilion Cafe, Millfield Road
	Whickham, Newcastle upon Tyne
	Postcode NE16 4QA

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	Kevin Batey			
2	Amelia Ord			
3	Jimi Tubman			
4	Susan Tubman			
5	Peter Craig		Resigned Dec 2022	
6	Ken Murray	Treasurer	Resigned Aug 2022	
7	Alan Scott	Chair	Resigned April 2022	
8	Julie Scott	Secretary	Resigned June 2022	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are recruited from the local community based on business experience and skills.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	<p>Charities Commission Guidance for trustees.</p> <p>The Charity operates a two-tier system; The "Management Team" reports to the Board of Trustees including financial and operational issues, allowing oversight of operation and financial commitments.</p> <p>Gateshead MBC</p> <p>Due to reducing Local Authorities budgets and cut back in spending. The Local Authority withdrawing support for the park as major grounds maintenance is carried out by the council environmental team</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Friends of Chase Park wish to create improvements to the fabric of Chase Park, Whickham. Friends of Chase Park aim to develop and increase more opportunities for formal and informal participation within the park, for the people of Whickham and the surrounding community.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The popularity of the Pavilion Café continues to grow, especially with the increased number of volunteers which has enabled more days for the Café to be open for park users.

Our events are also very popular and continue to be appreciated by the local community following the Covid lockdown.

The volunteer gardeners continue to do sterling work to make the park an attractive place to visit.

We continue to provide access by the park users to the public toilets, courtesy of volunteers who open/close said toilets on a dialy basis.

We continue to provide support to Whickham Community Bowls Club, a long-standing bowling club whose future looked uncertain until we received the Pavilion and bowling green in an asset transfer from Gateshead Council.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Volunteers contribution:

- i. staffing the Pavilion Café
- ii. staffing our events in the park
- iii. gardening improvements to the park
- iv. access to public toilets
- v. supporting Gateshead Council events in the park

Grantmaking

We receive information about grants on a routine basis, and regularly use websites detailing grants available. Grants are made for general and specific purposes.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

- i. Pavilion Café: offering variety of hot/cold drinks and snacks, staffed by volunteers.
- ii. Gardening: maintaining contracted areas, via volunteers
- iii. "Wombling Teams": periodic litter-picking groups throughout the park, done by our volunteers and members of the public
- iv. Events: we have successfully held events in the park for the enjoyment of the local community, eg "Fun Dog Show", "Cinema in the Park"
- v. Public Toilets: continueing to give access to the public toilets
- vi. Whickham Community Bowls Club: continued mutual support

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The financial position of the Friends of Chase Park ending the 31st of December 2022 - we still managed to keep our heads above water financially. The position will significantly improve now with the regular generation of funds from our volunteer-led cafe.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

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Section F Other optional information

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Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	James Edward Tubman	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair/Treasurer	
Date	31st October 2023	

Friends of Chase Park – Accounts for the period 01/01/2022-31/12/2022

INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Café Sales	£23,207.29	Café Stock/Equipment	£10,822.99
Donations	£580.04	Toilet Block Cleaning	£6,790.20
Calendar Sales	£21.00	Insurance	£729.05
Events	£556.90	Telephone	£236.56
Grants	£2,186.05	Building Repairs	£7,536.69
Bowlers	£2,600.00	Events	£9,593.60
Misc	£89.70	Cleaning Equipment & Materials	£95.76
		Feasibility Study	£1,530.00
		Printing & Copying	£312.00
		Travel Expenses	£110.70
		Grounds Maintenance	£2,076.50
		Misc	£1,180.54
Total	£29,240.98	Total	£41,014.59

Opening Balance 01/01/22	£24,336.57
Add Income	£29,240.98
Less Expenditure	£41,014.59
Balance	-£11,773.61
Closing balance 31/12/22	£12,562.96

An accounting discrepancy of £49.82 was identified during the creation of these accounts. This discrepancy was due to lost invoices/receipts.

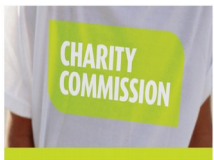
The actual closing balance is **£12513.14**

RESTRICTED FUNDS (31/12/22)		UNRESTRICTED FUNDS (31/12/22)	
Feasibility Study	£3460.00	Bank	£3628.56
Gardening	£4165.52		
Toilet Cleaning	1259.06		
Total	£8884.58	Total	£3628.56
		Bank Balance	£12513.14

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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Friends of Chase Park wish to create improvements to the fabric of Chase Park, Whickham. Friends of Chase Park aim to develop and increase more opportunities for formal and informal participation within the park, for the people of Whickham and the surrounding community.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The major change this year was to introduce a very popular volunteer run cafe which will ensure our financial sustainability. We have continued with community-based events to develop community spirit and increase user numbers in the park.

Work was also carried out by a group of volunteers to ensure the park was tidy and planting of flower beds up to date. This included the buying of bedding plants and tools for the volunteers.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Due to the large number of volunteers recruited we have successfully operated a Wombling Group (Daily Litter Picking), a volunteer toilet opening and closing group, a volunteer Gardening Group who carry out weekly maintenance within the park, volunteer led community events and a volunteer run cafe.

The events that were organised in 2021 were still somewhat restricted by the pandemic, but still included a photographic competition, a Fun Dog Show and Cinema in the Park.

The cafe opened on November 1st after getting the go ahead very late in October from Gateshead Council. In November our takings were £639.72 and although December was a quieter month and we were open fewer days, we still took £440.62.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The financial position of the Friends of Chase Park ending the 31st of December 2021 is good - we still managed to keep our heads above water financially.

The position will significantly improve now with the regular generation of funds from our volunteer led cafe.

Going forward, the FoCP aim to build a reserve of non ring fenced funds equivalent to 2 years expenditure excluding cafe purchases for resale.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		

Date

Friends of Chase Park (FOCP) 1st Jan to 31st Dec 2021			
Income/Expenses	2020		2021
Income			
Gateshead Council Grant	£4,990.00		
		Café - Takings	£1,491.73
		Chase Park Calendar - Sales	£79.08
		Pay Pal - Public Donation	£1,033.90
		Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund Grant	£2,156.86
		Public Donation - Cheque Deposit	£250.00
		Co-op - Community Fund Grant	£1,526.08
		Target Property NE	£150.00
		Winton Vulcans - Payment to replace damaged gazebo/tent	£463.00
		Arnold Clark - Charitable Donation	£1,000.00
		Dog Show - Exhibitors Stall Fees	£285.00
		W Caris Catering event food vender payment	£120.00
		Dog Show - Participates Registration Fees	£516.50
		Refund - Toilet Rolls	£34.99
		Eventbrite - Pop Up Cinema Ticket Sales	£911.96
		Co- op - Community Fund Grant	£3,750.63
		Gateshead Council - Grant for Public Toilet Block Maintenance	£8,500.00
	£4,990.00		£22,269.73
Expenditure			
Julie Scott	£36.59	Café - Coffee maker	£194.27
K Murray	£69.76	Café - Food hygiene training	£24.00
Alan Scott	£143.88	Café - Keys	£16.00
123Reg	£86.12	Café - Cool Box	£149.99
		Café - Shelving	£20.98
		Café - Cleaning Supplies	£66.85
		Café - Water Cooler	£66.60
		Zurich - Cafe insurance	£195.87
		Café - Aprons	£150.24
		Café - PPE/Cups	£277.26
		H3G - PHONE mobile contract	£155.79
		Gateshead Council - Scale drawing fee	£16.20
		Gateshead Council - Planning fee	£462.00
		Café - First Aid Kit	£38.53
		Tent Replacement	£595.76
		Walkie Talkies	£172.99
		Gardener Group - Plants	£29.76
		Paper Strips	£38.00
		Defib Battery	£149.48
		Hi-Vis Jackets	£181.49
		FOCP - Plants/Shrubs	£200.00
		Freezer (café)	£598.80
		Plug Tower searcher	£29.97
		Laminator/Pockets	£32.99
		Event Insurance - Zurich	£242.68
		Sound system for the dog show from A V Works Ltd	£264.00
		Peter Ross Solicitors - Fee for Land Registry	£76.00
		Cinema in the Park	£1,980.00
		K Batey: ice cream petty cash	£6.25
		Julie Scott Cash Dog Show	£30.00
		Trophy: Dog Show	£110.88
		Replacement gazebo for Swalwell Community Centre	£329.99
		K&L Bailey	£62.34
		Dog Show	£81.59
		Cash Prize - dog shop	£170.00
		Team Valley Group - Printing	£720.00
		Amanda Stevenson judge fee dog show.	£30.00
		Refreshments volunteers dog show	£194.52
		Wreath Remembrance Day	£20.00
		Film Bank Media Licence	£416.89
		Café Julie Soc	£1,549.39
		FOCP - Phone Repair	£40.00
		Wilf Husband	£50.00
		Bay Horse - FOCP meeting room hire	£20.00
		PHS Group - Washroom Services	£187.20
		British Legion Donation	£38.00
		CICS Ltd - Cleaning Services	£28.94
		Tesco - event supplies	£98.92
		Bookers	£162.29
		Amazon cafes whites good	£323.92
		Pity Me Nursery - Plants	£90.00
		Pouches stationary	£109.00
		Café Cups	£21.14
		Cake Boxes	£56.90
		Café Straws	£31.50
		Cleaning Solutions toilets cleaning block	£410.55
		The Range Café supplies	£33.36
		Garden Lights for events	£28.62
		Costco - Café supplies	£67.20
		eBay - Café supplies	£28.95
		Amazon - Café supplies	£40.22
	£336.35		£12,015.06
Bank Reconciliation as at 31st December 2021			
Open Balance	£14,082.00		
Bankings	£22,269.63		
	£36,351.63		
Bank Payments	£12,015.06		
Closing Balance	£24,336.57		
Income over Expenditure	£10,254.67		
Statement for the year ending 31st Dec 2021			
and reflect a true and fair position of the FOCP accounts			

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 31/12/19
31/12/2020

Period start date To
Period end date

Charity name: Friends of Chase Park

Charity registration number: 1189189

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Friends of Chase Park wish to create improvements to the fabric of Chase Park, Whickham Friends of Chase Park aim to develop and increase more opportunities for formal and informal participation within the park, for the people of Whickham and the surrounding community.
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 major activity this year were community-based events to develop community spirit and increase user numbers in the park. Work was also carried out by a large group of Volunteers to ensure the park was tidy and planting of flower beds up to date. This included the buying of bedding plants and tools for the volunteers
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes: all trustees received a introduction pack from the Commissions website to ensure they were fully informed regarding the duties and responsibilities of a trustee

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers have made a large contribution to The Friends of Chase Park by all the work they have done over the past 12 months in letter picking, planting, weeding etc
Other		Funding has been received from the Local Authorities via Local Ward Councillors

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	<p>Due to the large number of Volunteers recruited we have successfully operated a Wombling Group (Daily Litter Picking) and Volunteer Gardening Group who carry out weekly maintenance within the park.</p> <p>This work has been invaluable to the presentation of the park.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	As above
Performance of fundraising activities	Para 1.41	N/A

against objectives set		
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The financial position of the Friends of Chase Park ending the 31st of December 2020 we still managed to keep our heads above water in a financial way As you can see by the end of the year accounts
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	N/A
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	None
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	N/A

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	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	n/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Due to reducing Local Authorities budgets and cut back in spending. The Local Authority withdrawing support for the park as major grounds maintenance is carried out by the council environmental team
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	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	Trustees are recruited from the local community based on business experience and skills.

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	Charities Commission Guidance for trustees
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity operates a two-tier system, comprising of an Operations group (the original Friends Group members whose aims are to deliver the objectives of the Group and support our volunteer network. The Operations group reports to the Board of Trustees on a quarterly basis including financial and operational issues, allowing oversight of operation and financial commitments.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Gateshead MBC
Other		N/A

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friends Of Chase Park
Other name the charity	n/a

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Registered charity number	1189189
Charity's principal address	17 the Orchard Whickham Newcastle upon Tyne Ne16 4HD

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	Alan Scott	Acting Chair		
2	Ken Murray	Treasurer		
3	Julie Scott	Secretary		
4	Amelia Ord			
5	Christopher Ord			
6	Jimi Tubman			
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8	Peter Craig			
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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)

Alan Scott	Ken Murray
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Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairman	Treasurer
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Date

3 rd November 2021

Friends of Chase Park Accounts Ended 31st December 2020			
	2019		2020
Income			
GMBC Payment	£190.00	GMBC Payment	£4,990.00
Grant	£3,300.00		
Sweet Surprise	£15.00		
Stalls	£125.00		
Sky Light Refund	£421.00		
cash paid in	1068 .70		
W Caris	£100.00		
Holly Ayrton	£40.80		
C Ord Float	£330.05		
Zurich	£391.15		
	£5,981.65		£4,990.00
Expenditure			
A Scott	£259.39	Julie Scott	£36.59
K Murray	£300.69	K Murray	£69.76
Event	£560.00	Alan Scott	£143.88
Whickham Centre	£50.00	123 Reg	£86.12
ss refund	£15.00		
Phil Dobson	£42.99		
Zurich	£391.15		
Sky light	£1,495.00		
Filmbank	£150.00		
AV Works	£252.00		
Help Pets	£100.00		
Zurich	£391.15		
	£4,007.37		£336.35
Bank Reconciliation as at 31st December 2020			
Open Balance	£10,277.85		
Bankings	£4,990.00		
	£15,267.85		
Bank Payments	£336.35		
Closing Balance	£14,931.50		
Reconciliation of Bank Balances			
Open Bank Balance			
Open Cash Balance			
Income over Expenditure		£4,653.65	
Closing Bank Balance		£14,931.50	
Closing Cash Balance			
The Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2020 have been audited			
and reflect a true and fair position of the FOCP accounts			
Treasurer :			
Auditor:			
Date:			