



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 01	Year 2024		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2024

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Bridgend County Allotments Association

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1189388

Charity's principal address

7 Wigan Terrace,
Bryncethin, Bridgend.

Postcode **CF32 9YE**

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	Gerry Ball	Chair.		
2	Julie Anne Coles	Secretary		
3	Phil Archer	Treasurer		
4	John Jones			
5	Lynne Parsons			
6	George Davis			
7	Nigel Ray			
8	David Keith Gray			
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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)	Association - CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Nominated/proposed and duly elected by existing Trustees and members in attendance.

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>The charity operates with a board of trustees plus additional members forming a management committee representing the charity at each of the managed sites. Central policies and procedures are applied for consistency across the remote sites, a formal regular inspection procedure is applied to highlight and manage standards highlighting risk areas for Risk Management control.</p> <p>All charity members are affiliated to the National Society for Allotment & Leisure Gardeners (NSALG) who help support the membership by offering insurance, legal advice, qrtly e-magazine and discounted gardening supplies. In addition, members are offered a discounted 3rd party £5 million pound liability cover for family and close friends when attending the allotments are requirement to satisfy agreed terms of their tenancy.</p> <p>All sites are registered members of B.A.V.O offering a wide range of support to the sites and it's BCAA membership.</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

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

Benefit the residents of Bridgend County Borough by providing Allotment Facilities in the interest of social welfare, recreational leisure time with the objective of improving wellbeing for the local communities.

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)

Activities this year include improving document management, creation of standardised processes and procedures offering fairness to all our members. Actively promote BCAA on social media as such acting as a central contact point for Allotment availability enquiries. This year have again answered an ever-increasing number of enquiries. Advantage of centrally managing membership and waiting list statistics offer a view of the growing demand for allotment space in the county. Formed a funding role to actively seek out local, County and Welsh Government funding for our managed allotment sites. During 2024 secured Welsh Government funding to further improve wheelchair access, internal pathways and create secure boundaries for a communal area with raised beds for access by those with poor mobility. All Trustees have been kept informed of all communications and guidance issued by the Charities Commission.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

N/A

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

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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Main achievements include creating a stable group of Trustees to fulfil our objectives, with nominated volunteers to manage various activities on behalf of the membership, specifically a funding officer. 4 sites are actively improving access for schools/disabled members communal gardening areas, submitting applications for local Government Grant funding.

Completed 2023/24 grant funded projects resulting in sites having improved internal access to member plots.

Actively sought out local, County and Welsh Government funding for our managed allotment sites. Early 2023 secured Welsh Government funding of £20,000 for 4 sites 2024/25 to improve security fencing, create wheelchair friendly car park, pathways and communal area with raised beds and seating for access by those with poor mobility, encouraging improved social interaction for all. Unfortunately, due to required permissions and time constraints £15k had to be forfeited, namely Wheelchair friendly car park and security fencing. Related transactions will be reflected in year 2025 report.

Actively investigating the feasibility of setting up communal water harvesting stations to supplement water storage at each site, reducing demand for mains accessible water on allotments, encouraging self-sufficiency, reducing cost to the membership while protecting long term future of an ever-increasing precious commodity.

Actively promoting the need for eco friendly consideration at all sites.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Nil

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Nil

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.

Principal sources have been, Welsh Government funding assisted by Bridgend Couty Borough Council.
Actively seeking funding for year 2025.

Section F Other optional information


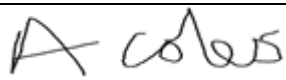
Applications for further Welsh Government funding in 2024 for period 2025/2026 has been granted in part to the value of £8,000. to be allocated to replace security fencing. Future funding for outstanding wheelchair friendly car park project is being sought.

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) Gerry Ball	Julie Anne Coles

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair.

Secretary

Date

17/09/2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Bridgend county Allotment Association

1189388

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/01/2024

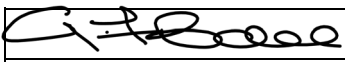
To

Period end date
31/12/2024

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 £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Ground Rents	905	-	-	905	1,414
NAS Subs	219	-	-	219	-
Supplemental Insurance	271	-	-	271	-
Grants/Funding	-	-	-	-	6,350
Repair Services	385	-	-	385	-
Sales	-	-	-	-	-
Site Fees	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Interest/Compensation	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,780	-	-	1,780	7,764
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,780	-	-	1,780	7,764
A3 Payments					
NAS Subs	219	-	-	219	225
Supplemental Insurance	353	-	-	353	206
Repairs Maintenance	385	-	-	385	-
Grants/Funding payments	-	-	-	-	6,350
Consumables	64	-	-	64	54
Equipment/seeds purchase	-	-	-	-	-
Legal Fees	325	-	-	325	-
Room Hire	-	-	-	-	-
Expenses	10	-	-	10	-
Sub total	1,356	-	-	1,356	6,835
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,356	-	-	1,356	6,835
Net of receipts/(payments)	424	-	-	424	929
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	1,089
Cash funds this year end	424	-	-	424	2,018

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Gerald F Ball	17/09/2025