



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	April	2024		31	March	2025

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Dane Bank Green Space CIO

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1189904

Charity's principal address

30 Windermere Avenue

Denton

Manchester

Postcode

M34 2EN

### 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	Robert John Rutt	Chair		
2	Colin Stuart Ingham	Trustee		
3	Mark Astley	Treasurer		
4	Bernie Tarrant	Trustee		
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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
NONE	

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
NONE		

### 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)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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

- 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.

## Section C Objectives and activities

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

- To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment by promoting biological diversity, environmental awareness and wildlife protection.
- To advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.

**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)**

At the start of the financial year (April 2024) the Charity's status was as follows:

- No decision had been made on use of the site vacated by Tameside's People 4 Wildlife adjoining the Cricket Pond
- A National Lottery bid for £235k to erect an Ecolodge had been rejected but discussions were underway for a resubmission in partnership with Groundwork Greater Manchester.
- Funding from Tameside MBC had been secured to install a Nature Trail.
- A Round 4 bid to the Greater Manchester Green Spaces Fund to create a Sensory Garden had been rejected but Groundwork GM had offered to fund the project.
- Funding bids to create a 'Rainbow Trail' and 'Amphitheatre' had been unsuccessful.

Activities undertaken during 2024-25 for public benefit in relation to our charitable objectives:

- Construction work to create a Sensory Garden was completed in April and a series of Community Planting events were organised during May.
- Installation of an Interactive Nature Trail was also completed in May with 10 posts featuring QR codes linked to a storybook and creature fact pages.
- Bulb planting on the Sensory Garden by Reception Class children from Denton West Primary School.
- New drainage ditches and track repairs to improve access for visitors and vehicles.
- Erection of security fencing to enclose the Forest School site as recommended by OFSTED.
- CCTV camera installed in response to anti-social behaviour concerns.
- Community Fun Day 27 July to celebrate opening of the Nature Trail and Sensory Garden, showcasing the Kids Go Wild Forest School and Angling Club. Almost £900 raised to purchase and install a floating Duck House and Butterfly Garden.
- Replacement of the DBGS Website and enhancements to Facebook Page.
- The Site formally leased to Tameside's People 4 Wildlife Group was temporarily assigned to the Forest School.
- Duck House procured and installed in November.
- Inspection of water quality in the Cricket Pond by the Environment Agency confirmed that it was suitable for restocking and several thousand fish were re-introduced early 2025.
- Sponsorship secured for 7 x semi-mature trees, 3 x standard roses. Donation of 5 x laurels and 2 x twisted willows from a local resident.
- Butterfly Garden constructed March 2025 using railway sleepers donated by Network Rail.
- Installation of Water Tank donated by Groundwork GM.
- Tree Planting Day 25 March 2025 funded by Lloyd's Bank who provided 31 volunteers to plant 500 whips for a new hedge, 14 semi-mature trees and three standard roses.
- Submitted joint bid with Groundwork GM for construction of an Ecolodge and secured National Lottery Stage 1 approval on 27 March shortly before year end.

## 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

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Throughout the year, the Charity Trustees continued to work with Groundwork GM, subtenants and community partners to secure funding and implement site improvements. Sponsorship from local residents provided funds to purchase additional semi-mature commemorative trees. The interactive Nature Trail was installed along with the Sensory and Butterfly Gardens.

Following an unsuccessful bid to the National Lottery to construct an Ecolodge, we resubmitted a revised bid in partnership with Groundwork GM and successfully secured Stage 1 approval.

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity holds no significant reserves and derives its operational income from rent received from subtenants supplemented by grants, fund raising activities and donations.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### 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.

During 2024-25 the Charity's principal sources of income were:

- Rents £1,865
- Just Giving £3,024
- Donations £360

## 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)	Robert John Rutt	Mark Astley
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	4 September 2025	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
Dane Bank Green Space CIO

On accounts for the year  
ended

March 2025

Charity no  
(If any) 1189904

Set out on pages

1 and 2

(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 31/03/2024.

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 (other than that disclosed below \*) 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.

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

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Name:

Christopher Tarrant, ACA

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

ICAEW – Chartered Accountant

Address:

12 Repton Avenue, Denton, Manchester, M34 2LD

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

N/A



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Dane Bank Green Space CIO

No (if any)  
1189904

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 4/1/2024	To	Period end date 3/31/2025
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### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donation	360	-	-	360	380
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Action Together	-	-	-	-	149
Rental Income from Undertennants	-	1,865	-	1,865	1,582
Booking.com (Reimbursement)	78	-	-	78	-
Amazon Smile	-	-	-	-	119
Just Giving	3,024	-	-	3,024	1,827
SUM UP	24	-	-	24	-
<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	3,485	1,865	-	5,350	4,056
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	3,485	1,865	-	5,350	4,056
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Booking.Com (Unauthorised Payment)	78	-	-	78	-
Tameside Council Site Rental	-	1,190	-	1,190	1,984
Public Liability Insurance	285	-	-	285	278
Service Supplier Charges	3,376	-	-	3,376	907
Site Maintenance	-	-	-	-	100
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	3,738	1,190	-	4,929	3,269
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	3,738	1,190	-	4,929	3,269
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	253	675	-	422	787
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	1,467	253	-	1,214	427
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	1,214	422	-	1,636	1,214

## 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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK


	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Robert Rutt (Chair)	4/24/2025
	Mark Astley (Treasurer)	4/24/2025