

Birmingham Tree People

Charity Number: 1190536

{For Charitable Incorporated Organisation}

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

4th August 2023

Reference & Administration Details

Charity name: Birmingham Tree People

Charity number: 1190536

Charity's operating address: 32 Somerset Road
Handsworth
Birmingham
B20 2JD

Previously: 46 Highfield Rd, Bromsgrove B61 7BD, UK

Names of the Charity Trustees who Manage the Charity (Add extra rows as required)

	<i>Trustee Name</i>	<i>Office (if any)</i>	<i>Appointed</i>	<i>Retired</i>
1	Tonia Clark	Chair	23 July 2020	
2	Stephen Watson	Treasurer	23 July 2020	
3	Simon Needle	Trustee	23 July 2020	
4	Ian McDermott	Trustee	23 July 2020	2 Feb 2022
5	Brian Spratt	Trustee	23 July 2020	4 Nov 2021
6	Sarah Fulford	Trustee	23 July 2020	21 Nov 2021
7	Nina Griffiths	Trustee	02 Feb 2021	
8	Deanne Brettle	Trustee	21 Oct 2021	
9	James Tucker	Trustee	15 Feb 2023	
10	Ian McDermott	Trustee	27 April 2023	

Names & Addresses of Advisors

<i>Name</i>	<i>Address & Postcode</i>
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Bank:	Lloyds Bank, Box 1, BX1 1LT
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Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document: Constitution

How the Charity is Constituted: Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee Selection Methods: Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting. Local people who regularly attend BTP tree warden training are considered.

How New Trustees are Inducted and Trained: Prospective trustees are asked to attend a meeting before they commit. They meet with the Chair who explains the history and the role of the charity.

Objectives & Activities

Summary of the Objects of the Charity as set out in its Governing Document

Birmingham Tree People aims to plant, promote and protect trees in Birmingham. We provide free monthly training and organise activities. We are also a registered training centre for the Skills Education Group Level 2 in Arboriculture.

Summary of the Main Activities Undertaken for the Public Benefit in Relation to the Charity's Objects

What the charity does: Education/training Environment/conservation/heritage.

Who the charity helps: The General Public/mankind.

How the charity helps: Provides Advocacy/advice/information.

Where the charity operates: Birmingham City.

Achievements & Performance

Statutory Declaration

The trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Summary of the Main Achievements of the Charity for the Year – Chair's Report

Chair's Report BTP 2022-23

Since the first training session in Kings Heath Park House in 2016, Birmingham TreePeople has grown in volunteer numbers and activities and in 2020 we decided to become a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

The purpose of BTP is to promote, plant and protect trees and we do this in several ways:

by training volunteer treepeople to look after their local trees at free, monthly training sessions which are delivered in person and virtually. We have started to use the Horticultural Centre at Winterbourne Gardens which gives us access to the excellent arboretum there.

by surveying newly planted street trees we are building a comprehensive picture of the survival rates of young trees. This work has continued with over 750 trees entered onto Treeplotter. An analysis of the data was completed and presented at the Municipal Tree Officers Association conference in December 2022.

by working with Birmingham City Council to deliver the Birmingham Urban Forest Master Plan.

By delivering a Level 2 Arboriculture course which is an Ofqual-regulated qualification awarded by Skills and Education Group Awards. The first course ran successfully from April 2021 to March 23 and 7 students finished the course. The second course started in April 2023 with 12 students.

By taking part in events that promote trees. We attended events and volunteers gave a variety of talks at community events. We also worked with Kier to develop a 'Please water me tag' to go on every newly planted street tree to encourage local residents to water the tree during the summer.

By taking on the tree planting legacy from Birmingham Trees for Life. This was a project of the Civic Society and after 100,000 trees planted BTFL handed over their planting programme to BTP. We are honoured to take on this work and are looking to increase the number of larger trees planted in the city.

The last year saw an increase in our work as trees became more prominent in national and local government agendas as part of the climate crisis response. We have been well placed with a strong and skilled committee to make the most of these opportunities and we have shown that we are able to deliver services using volunteers.

Financial Review

Brief Statement of the Charity's Policy on Reserves

The charity does not intend to build up reserves as there are no employees and no capital assets to maintain.

Details of Any Funds Materially in Deficit

None

Statutory Notes to the Accounts

Particulars of Any Outstanding Guarantee Given by the CIO

None

Particulars of Any Outstanding Debt

None

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):

Tonia Clark

Simon Needle

Position(s):

Chair

Trustee

Date:

14th December 2023

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Birmingham Tree People

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01 April 2022

To

31 March 2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Birmingham City Council	10,400	-	-	10,400	-
Veolia	-	-	-	-	-
itree survey	-	-	-	-	14,500
Birmingham Trees for Life	-	-	-	-	3,000
donations to Patchwork Meadow	-	-	-	-	20
Birmingham City of Nature	400	-	-	400	-
Centre for Sustainable Environment	5,200	-	-	5,200	-
Civic Society	-	8,000	-	8,000	-
Severn Trent	7,800	-	-	7,800	-
Western Power Distribution	600	-	-	600	-
book sales	-	-	-	-	-
donations to BTP	921	-	-	921	600
Arb2 course fees	100	-	-	100	1,778
Arb2 course fees 2023-25	3,365	-	-	3,365	-
TreePlotter	-	3,000	-	3,000	9,000
Transfer of funds from predecessor organisation	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	28,786	11,000	-	39,786	28,898
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,786	11,000	-	39,786	28,898
A3 Payments					
staff payments	-	3,608	-	3,608	10,462
Arb 2 tutor fees	-	-	-	-	300
Arb 2 tutor fees	2,000	-	-	2,000	600
TreeConomics	-	-	-	-	10,950
Tree products	5,325	-	-	5,325	-
Equipment purchase	4,009	-	-	4,009	-
Sponsorship MTOA	500	-	-	500	-
M&A Treecare itree	-	-	-	-	1,200
hi vis jackets (through Sylvanus)	-	-	-	-	567
Leaflets (through T Clark)	-	-	-	-	147
Meadow in my Garden	-	-	-	-	373
Skills Educ Group	840	-	-	840	578
Tree Council	175	-	-	175	175
Premises hire	246	-	-	246	108
website service	-	-	-	-	-
Treeplotter software	8,250	-	-	8,250	9,960
accountancy fee	-	-	-	-	420
insurance	348	-	-	348	348
Patchwork Meadow	-	-	-	-	231
Sub total	21,693	3,608	-	25,301	36,419
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	21,693	3,608	-	25,301	36,419
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,093	7,392	-	14,485	7,521
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	18,191	100	-	18,291	-
Cash funds this year end	25,284	7,492	-	32,776	7,521

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	Lloyds bank	25,284	7,492	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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B2 Other monetary assets	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	



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			-	-
	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	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Birmingham Tree People

On accounts for the period

From 01/04/2022 to 31/03/2023

Charity no
(if any)

11905366

Set out on pages

Attached pages 1 to 8

(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 period from 01/04/2022 to 31/03/2023.

Responsibilities and basis of
report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Date:

13/12/2023

Name:

Andrew Hopkins

Address:

BVSC Accounting Services

First Floor, Livery Place, 35 Livery Street

Birmingham B3 2PB