



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	01	06	2024	To	31	Aug	2025

### Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Archbishop's Park Community Trust

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1191222

Charity's principal address

204

Lambeth Road

London

Postcode

SE1 7JY

#### 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	Helen Lees	(Chair)		
2	Tim Hollins			
3	Charles Lew-Gor			
4	David Tootill			
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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)	Appointed by trustees

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

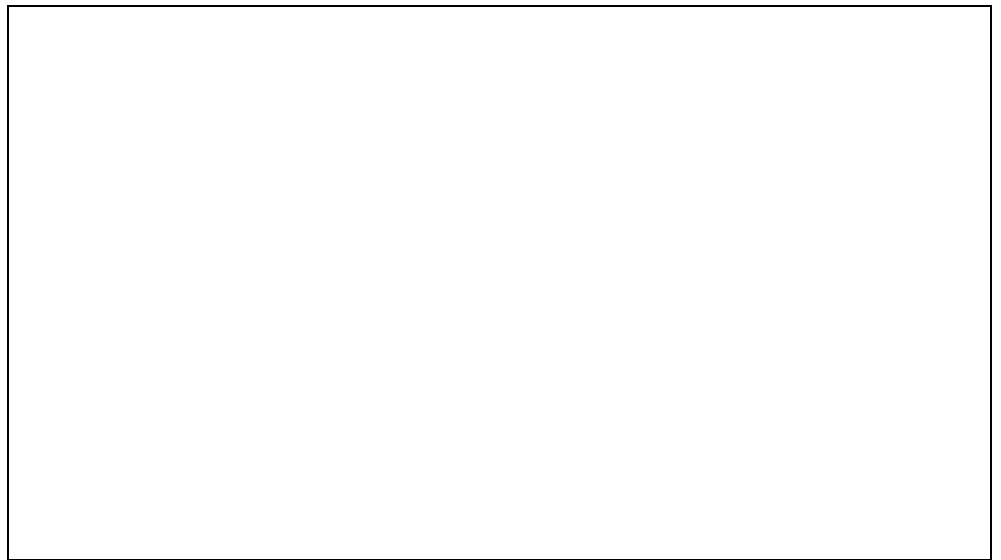
You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- 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.

New trustees are inducted face to face by the Chair, the manager of the Charity and other trustees. They cover the history of the trust, practical operational issues, policies, recent activities and achievements plus future activities and challenges. Meetings are organised three times a year plus many informal sessions which deal with practical issues. The main challenge was the start of organisation's move to a new site within the park and working with the local authority Lambeth and Guy's and St Thomas's Foundation regarding the lease arrangements. This was new work for the charity and demands on our time were great.

The Charity continued to work with many local organisations including the Coin Street Family Centre, Roots and Shoots (Horticultural College for special needs), the London Borough of Lambeth, plus corporate entities re seeking volunteering opportunities.

The trust hasn't faced many major risks, but during the year we have dealt with the initial practicalities of moving site and lease negotiation with the local authority. Being a small organisation, such issues are dealt with practical "hands on" application using trustee expertise and external (pro bono) legal support.



## **Section C Objectives and activities**

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

- Promote for the benefit of the public the conservation protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of Archbishop's Park.
- Advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment in Archbishop's Park
- Promote social inclusion for the public benefit by working with people in North Lambeth who are socially excluded on the grounds of unemployment; financial hardship; youth or old age; ill health (physical or mental); substance abuse or dependency including alcohol and drugs; homelessness, or discrimination.
- To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of Archbishop's Park.

**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)**

- Delivered 46 gardening club sessions supporting local residents and vulnerable adults.
- Gardening club members had the opportunity to attend 3 x external training sessions and garden visits.
- 2 x tailored work experience sessions were run for students from Roots and Shoots (horticultural college for young people with Special Educational Needs).
- 6 x gardening sessions were run for corporate groups.
- 4 x workshops were run in partnership with other organisations (including Lambeth Carers' Hub and Wise Ram Theatre).
- 8 sessions were run in collaboration with Coin Street neighbourhood Centre for over 65s.
- Nearly 200 volunteer hours were put into clearing an overgrown, abandoned area of land and turning it into a community food growing area.
- 100s of bulbs and perennials were planted to improve forage for pollinators. Several areas of native hedgerow were planted and a number of habitats (eg, bug hotels) were created and improved. Roughly 800 square metres worth of space was improved overall.
- Awarded 16<sup>th</sup> Green Flag and London in Bloom (Gold).
- Overall, volunteers put in approx 1000 hours of time.

#### **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.

We continued to rely heavily on volunteers which included those attending our weekly gardening club plus others working for corporate organisations, statutory and other voluntary organisations. It's a mutual exchange whereby they support the infrastructure of the park by participating in basic activities such as weeding, pruning, planting and painting to more involved activities such as building hazel hurdles, creating bug hotels, pond clearance and constructing raised beds for food growing.

The volunteering relationship was mutual, allowing gain for both parties. With the Conservation Volunteers we built a "dead hedge" to encourage wildlife and in July ran a practical session with the horticultural students from Roots and Shoots so they could develop their experience outside college which supported their advancement into work. Volunteers from the Lambeth Carers' Hub enjoyed a break from their responsibilities by undertaking some gardening activities to support one of our gardens.

Many corporate groups provided help for completing the more physical projects such as planting up gardens which can be physically demanding for more vulnerable adults. Many also offered a financial contribution which allowed us to purchase items which cannot easily be funded by grants.

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

We continued to promote social inclusion by bringing people together through a common interest in gardening. We worked mostly with people from Lambeth and Southwark, and we have conducted ongoing outreach to ensure that we reach into these diverse communities. Our referral data indicated that 56% of our group members are BAME, 46% live with a long-term disability and 29% are LGBTQ+. The majority of our group members live alone, and appreciated the opportunity to socialise with others from the local community. We have also run tailored sessions with particular groups – for example, work experience sessions for students from Roots & Shoots Horticultural College (supporting young people with Special Educational Needs).

Approximately 1000 hours of volunteer time has gone into ensuring we continued to improve the park environment for everyone. We have planted hundreds of perennials and bulbs, ensured spaces remained attractive and wildlife-friendly all year round. We have created a number of new habitats, including bug hotels. Over 200 volunteer hours alone have gone into clearing an abandoned area of land and turned it into a community food growing space. This has involved clearing tonnes of brambles, building raised beds, sowing vegetables and digging a pond.

We have offered a range of educational opportunities. For example, our group have visited other gardens and have undertaken training workshops. We delivered a series of workshops for clients from Lambeth Carers' Hub including topics such as growing in a small space, and we ran a nature-based creative writing workshop in collaboration with Wise Ram Theatre and Waterloo Community Counselling.

We have continued to offer our consistent and regular group sessions whilst dealing with the practicalities of moving site within the park.

## Section E

## Financial review

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

Monies are set on reserve to ensure one year of operating costs and items which can be difficult to fund via grant applications

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

### 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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The main funders included the London Borough of Lambeth (5 separate funding streams), Worshipful Gardeners, Garfield Weston, City Bridge Trust, the Cicely Northcote Trust and the London Eye Community Trust.

These grants supported the practical running our weekly gardening club eg contributing to the costs of two sessional workers, providing plants and equipment, running workshops and organising visits to other gardens to enhance volunteer learning and skill development. All these helped to create and improve the gardens and park infrastructure (building wildlife areas and habitats).

## Section F

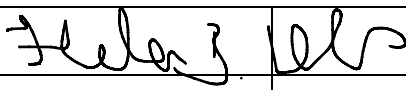
## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

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

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Helen Lees . 
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Helen Barbara Lees
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair
<b>Date</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2026

Archbishop's Park Community Trust		No: 1191222	
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	01/07/2024	To	31/08/2025

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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>					
Honey & Jam sales & small donations	10603.67	0.00	0.00	10603.67	7148.49
Lambeth Community Connections	5868.00	0.00	0.00	5868.00	0.00
Worshipful Gardeners	1400.00	0.00	0.00	1400.00	1113.63
Lambeth Food Project	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Garfield Weston		5000.00	0.00	5000.00	5000.00
London Eye Community Trust		3359.00	0.00	3359.00	0.00
Lambeth Paths0	4079.95	0.00	0.00	4079.95	19460.00
City Bridge Trust		4242.50	0.00	4242.50	16358.00
Lambeth Changing Lives Fund		12110.00	0.00	12110.00	0.00
London Borough Of Lambeth		3450.00	0.00	3450.00	2598.00
Closely Northcote		3350.00		3350.00	0.00
Arnold Clark	500.00			500.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	17083.62	37379.50	0.00	54463.12	51678.12

<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
Bank interest	2767.14	0.00	0.00	2767.14	2805.37
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	2767.14	0.00	0.00	2767.14	2805.37

Total receipts 19850.76 37379.50 0.00 57230.26 54483.49

<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Lambeth Food Project	501.29		0.00	501.29	1357.00
Sundry Expenses	2219.65		0.00	2219.65	4884.21
Lambeth Community Connections		4699.90	0.00	4699.90	4230.00
Closely Northcote		4609.98	0.00	4609.98	0.00
Lambeth Changing Lives		10741.42	0.00	10741.42	7351.98
Awards for All		306.92	0.00	306.92	7951.00
Building Stronger Communities		9515.88		9515.88	1486.13
City Bridge Trust		16554.66		16554.66	1729.26
Worshipful Gardeners	1709.10			1709.10	0.00
Garfield Weston		173.51		173.51	0.00
London Eye Community Trust	0.00	3695.01	0.00	3695.01	0.00
National Lottery - Gardening materials	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
National Lottery - admin costs	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
National Lottery - sundry expenditure	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	4430.04	50297.28	0.00	54727.32	28989.58

<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Total payments 4430.04 50297.28 0.00 54727.32 28989.58

Net of receipts/(payments)	15420.72	-12917.78	0.00	2502.94	25493.91
A5 Transfers between funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
A6 Cash funds last year end	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash funds this year end	15420.72	-12917.78	0.00	2502.94	25493.91

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	Nat West Accounts	104276.72	19082.03	0.00
			0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total cash funds	104276.72	19082.03	0.00
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
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





CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

ARCHBISHOP'S PARK COMMUNITY TRUST

On accounts for the year  
ended

AUGUST 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1191222

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 08 2025.

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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

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:

17.02.26

Name:

NICOLA BULEY

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body

N/A

(if any):

Address:

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HILL ROAD, PURLEY, CR8 2HB.

## 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.