



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	20	11	2022		19	11	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Friends of Bournville Park
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1192446
Charity's principal address	8 Beech Road
	Bournville
	Birmingham
Postcode	B30 1LJ

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	Joan Hosfield	Chair		
2	Professor Colin Richard Thomas	Treasurer		
3	Dr Stuart Tyldesley Hosfield	Trustee		
4	Councillor Elizabeth Ann Clements	Trustee		
5	Samuel Philip Huw Wright	Trustee		
6	Ruth Minnis	Trustee	20/11/2021 – 12/02/23	
7	Professor Henry John Newbury	Trustee		
8	Penelope Catherine Thomas	Trustee		
9	Andrew Hardie	Trustee		
10	Peter Chong	Trustee		
11	Ray Barrett	Trustee	12/02/23 to date	
12	Cliff Allum	Trustee	12/02/23 to date	
13	Rachael Manamley	Trustee	18/07/23to date	

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
Auditor	Alan William Johnson	43 Cartland Road Birmingham B30 2SD

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, last amended 17 th August 2020, charity registered 20 th November 2020
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	First trustees designated in the Constitution. At least one third of the trustees, longest in office, resign at the Annual General Meeting. Members elect or re-elect at least three trustees. The maximum number of elected trustees is twelve. Trustees can co-opt up to three more 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.

There is no formal induction for trustees but all are invited to meetings of trustees and are provided with monthly accounts and copies of policy documents.

The charity has a Chair of the Board of Trustees and a Treasurer. Other tasks are led by the remaining Trustees.

The charity works within a wider network: Birmingham Open Spaces Forum, which has linked us to professional fundraisers such as GetGrants.

One trustee is a Governor of the adjacent Bournville Village Primary School.

Detached youth work has been delivered by Youth Work Europe. Tennis coaching is provided by Tennis for Free and is led by one of our trustees.

Appropriate policies concerning major risks such as Health and Safety, Safeguarding and Finance are in place. These are reviewed annually by the trustees.

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

Friends of Bournville Park exists for the benefit of the inhabitants of Bournville 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 their conditions of life for the inhabitants of the area of benefit in particular but not exclusively by the preservation, promotion, support, assistance and improvement of Bournville 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)

Main activities:

1. Support for leisure activities
 - Tennis for Free (weekly between March and December)
 - Tai Chi (weekly through the year)
2. Education
 - Forest School (3 community sessions in 2022/23)
 - Detached youth work (started Feb 28 2022 to October 27: 2 sessions per week)
3. Park improvement
 - Representations to Severn Trent concerning sewage pollution of the Park
4. Promotion
 - Social media presence maintained and regular newsletter for members

In planning and undertaking all of these activities the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and all have been undertaken to further the public benefit objectives of the charity.

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.

Although the trustees are very active, the charity is also supported by volunteers, for example in litter picking. Also, Park users report their concerns to FOBP and the Council e.g. about recent sewage leaks into the Park.

Tennis for Free sessions have been supported by volunteers throughout the year.

Volunteering is always encouraged.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

1. Support for leisure activities

In December 2022 and from March to November 2023 we ran Sunday morning sessions under the Tennis for Free Programme, supported by coaches from Weoley Hill Tennis Club and our volunteers. Over the whole period, we had approximately 600 people attend these sessions. Weekly Tai Chi sessions take place in the Park, with a total of 840 attendees over the year.

2. Education

Using existing funding, Forest School sessions continue. There were 3 community sessions funded by the charity. These complement the sessions organised and paid for by Bournville Village Primary School.

A grant from Awards for All and another from Heart of England have been used for detached youth work.

3. Park improvement

Trustees and volunteers planned to remove Himalayan Balsam from the stream in the Park but were thwarted by adverse weather.

Overflow of sewage from a sewer passing through the Park has been, and is, a continuing problem. Local residents and trustees are active in demanding improvements from Severn Trent.

Two kind donations mean that a 'memory' tree will soon be placed in the Park.

4. Promotion

Social media presence has been maintained and is heavily used. A newsletter is issued to members of the charity after each Trustees' meeting. It describes recent actions and decisions, and provides insights into the thinking of the trustees,

These activities meet the objectives of the charity.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Friends of Bournville Park funds will be held in its bank account until needed.

Funds awarded through grants and awards for designated purposes ("restricted funds") will be held to be used for those purposes only.

General funds will be held in the bank account until the Trustees or designated CIO officer(s) agree on any expenditure.

The Treasurer will provide detailed monthly accounts showing which funds are available to spend under each heading, with one heading for each grant or award and one for general funds.

Other than ring-fenced restricted funds, the charity does not decide on an appropriate level of reserves, as activities are undertaken only as can be afforded within remaining unrestricted funds.

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.

The charity's principal sources of funds are grants and awards. Regular financial support is provided by Birmingham Open Spaces Forum. Expenditure on each grant is always in support of the objects of the charity. Payments are not made to trustees or volunteers. In this financial year, a major grant was awarded by the Heart of England charity for detached youth work. Funds provided by Birmingham City Council continue to support Tai Chi in the Park and Tennis for Free is paid for by the Lawn Tennis Association.

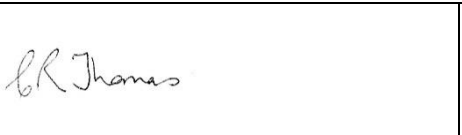
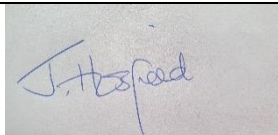
Section F Other optional information

The charity has a small amount of non-financial assets such as gazebos for events, lighting for the hut, litter pickers, and gardening equipment. Also, Bournville Commonwealth Games Festival funding of last year left a legacy of sporting equipment for the charity. This has been used for detached youth work.

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)	Colin Richard Thomas	Joan Hosfield
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Chair
Date	29/02/2024	29/02/2024



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	20/11/2022		19/11/2023

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					
Donations	546	-		546	168
Grants from local authority	-	-		-	10,477
Awards from charities	1,500	14,492		15,992	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,046	14,492		16,538	10,645
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sub total	2,046	14,492	-	16,538	-
Total receipts	2,046	14,492	-	16,538	10,645

A3 Payments					
Minor purchases	164	-		164	223
Forest School	-	2,160		2,160	4,745
Youth Work	-	5,334		5,334	9,165
CWG Community Fund Round 1	-	-		-	917
CWG Community Fund Round 2	340	2,842		3,182	5,565
Tai Chi	-	1,785		1,785	140
Sub total	504	12,121	-	12,625	20,755

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Sub total					
Total payments	504	12,121	-	12,625	20,755
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,542	2,371	-	3,913	- 10,110
A5 Transfers between funds			-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,877	8,599		10,476	9,582
Cash funds this year end	3,419	10,970	-	14,389	

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	Bank account	3,419	10,970	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,419	10,970	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK Unrestricted funds	OK Restricted funds	OK Endowment funds
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)
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-

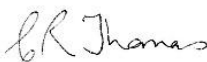
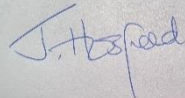
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Tools	Unrestricted	-	180
Tennis equipment - previous	Unrestricted		2,120
Gazebo, tables, lighting	Unrestricted		461
Other sports	Unrestricted		775
Safety equipment	Unrestricted		145
Office equipment	Unrestricted		120

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
	C.R.Thomas	29/02/2024
	Joan Hosfield	29/02/2024