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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st Oct 2021 Period start date To 2nd Oct 2022 Period end date

Charity name: Colne In Bloom

Charity registration number: 1193203

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	To promote the conservation and enhancement of the physical and natural environment for the public benefit, primarily by informing people about its relevance and importance within their communities; **To advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and, improvement of the physical and natural environment;** To promote horticulture and floriculture for the benefit of the public by providing and encouraging the provision of displays of flowers, shrubs, trees and landscapes in places visible to the public.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	We organise weekly gardening sessions that encourage all members of the community to get involved in planting and caring for the town centre floral displays, community herb beds, train station and wild life areas. We share info about the importance of encouraging wildlife into our town
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	We confirm that the activities undertaken by Colne in Bloom are in line with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

This year Colne in Bloom has tried hard to recruit new members. We booked the Market's Glass House to display our information boards and photos of our activities. We hadTombola Stalls at the Town's Fundays and thank everyone who signed up to help with planting and weeding mornings.

Throughout the year gardening sessions take place. The town has been divided into three zones The Town Centre, Albert Road, The Railway Station/Community Centre. The core members of each area organise the number of gardening sessions required depending on the time of year. From March to October there is at least one morning gardening session per week planned.

This year we successfully planted winter, spring and summer bulbs and plants throughout Colne in street barrier troughs, planters and three tire towers. Areas in front of billboards were sown with wild flowers and butterfly/bee friendly plants. The Million Bells and Lobelia were a great attraction for the bees. Ten sunflowers were planted on a piece of land by the side of the main road that had just been a mowed patch of grass pre Covid. The majority grew over 6ft to the amazement of all. We awarded Nigel "The Sunflower Man" a special prize at our Daisy Chain and Growing Together Environmental Competition organised by Colne in Bloom and the Waterside Action Group. A record number of small front gardens, window boxes and containers were nominated to receive an award for creating gardens that brought colour and wildlife into their streets. Five children were presented with prizes for their winning entries in the Keep Colne Clean poster competition. Shop keepers were encouraged to order hanging baskets from the Town Council.

Structure, governance and Management

During Covid we lost most of our funding from local businesses and were unable to undertake fundraising activities and therefore Colne In Bloom signed a Partnership Agreement with Colne Town Council which allowed the volunteers to focus on planting and caring for the town's floral displays with the Town Council financing all existing projects. The Trustees who are elected at the AGM and other interested volunteers meet 4 times with a Town Council Officer to discuss our floral projects and requirements.

Financial Review

Year End Balance £2808.40

We are in a much better position financially now we have a Partnership Agreement with Colne Town Council. We no longer need to worry about paying for our plants, watering and insurance but can concentrate on what we like to do best: caring for our floral displays and helping our community to appreciate the importance of encouraging wildlife into our town.

All our running costs are managed and paid directly by the Council (except for new projects) Therefore we decided not to undertake any costly pre Covid planting/activities.	**Next year we will be considering new floral displays based on up and coming festivals and special occasions and so will be discussing setting fund raising targets and activities.**
Report signed on behalf of the Trustees Alice Rosemary Mann (Chair) 25th July 2023	

Colne in Bloom Banking/Accounts End of Year Report

1st October 2021	2nd October 2022
Skipton Building Society £174.21	Skipton Building Society £174.21
Barclays £2408.40	Barclays £2808.40
Cash in Hand	Cash in Hand £ 43.50
Income £613.40	Expenditure £ 169.90 CASH IN HAND
£150 Garden Party(Paid into Bank 11/1/22) £40 Tombola (Paid into Bank 11/01/22) £210 Tombola (Paid into Bank 29/09/22) £213.40 Tombola CASH IN HAND	£134.90 Winter plants (Cash in Hand) £10 Plants Phil Skyes tub (Cash in Hand) £25 Flowers for Sue Pollitt (Cash in Hand)

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	
Charity's principal address	

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	**Name**

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	
Full name(s)	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	
Date	