



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From April 2023 (Period start date) To April 2024 (Period end date)

Charity name: Windmill Community Gardens

Charity registration number: 1194070

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To further or benefit the residents of Nottingham City, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to promote the preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment through environmentally friendly gardening practices, the promotion of physical and mental health, and the improvement of the conditions of life in socially and economically disadvantaged communities
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.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	44 general volunteer sessions - 77 individuals volunteered during the year. 12 sessions for young families aimed at helping them to feel more comfortable with their children playing outside and provide opportunities to learn about gardening and the natural world. 12 Lithe Lunches which involved harvesting, cooking and eating with a gentle exercise session before the meal aimed at those wanting to increase mobility and to promote healthy eating and confidence in preparing fresh produce from scratch. 26 sessions for local primary school classes and 2 workday sessions for pupils from local secondary schools
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity	Para 1.18	All trustees have regard to the commission's public benefit guidance and are able to show that: -they are aware of the guidance

Commission on public benefit		- they have taken it into account when making a decision to which the guidance is relevant - if they have decided to depart from the guidance, they have a good reason for doing so
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The main achievements of the charity have been to: Provide voluntary work, including gardening experience and training to Local people. Provide fresh fruit and vegetables to volunteers, local residents and food banks and community meals. These have improved the physical and mental health of participants, so relieving dependence on NHS services. We have also provided space for Growing Forward, a project to help those struggling with their mental health, with similar rewards. We have held several Events this year, which were open to the public, free and widely advertised in the area. This provides an opportunity for local people to be outside, enjoy themselves and engage socially with others. Similarly we host events for Small Steps Big Changes who run activities for the under 4s.

		In more detail our achievements are as follows: Our Events: Seed Swap evening - in collaboration with Primary to provide affordable plants and seeds to local people. Art in the Garden - in collaboration with Chaos Magic art collective who ran 2 preparatory workshops and showcasing the art of local artists and school children. Pumpkin Day - celebrating pumpkins and specifically aiming to promote use of them as food to avoid food waste. Additionally, the largest pumpkin was supplied to a school to use for maths investigation then to make into soup. Wreath Making by candle light workshop using our own natural resources to provide affordable wreaths for local people. Carols by Candlelight with the Nottingham Ukrainian Ensemble to support humanitarian aid to Ukraine. Wassail - Celebrating our fruit trees combining old 12th Night in collaboration with Always Community and the Open Arms project, Workshops Medicinal herbal workshop with Nottingham Herbalist aimed at helping individuals produce their own salves and oils from safe natural ingredients. The Nottingham Forager Ran foraging workshops from the site and additional sessions aimed at those in the LGBTQ+ community. Heya - Arabic Women's Group Used the site as a safe, women-only outdoor
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		space for family cooking and play. School and volunteer sessions We ran 26 sessions for local primary school classes and supplied seeds, plants, vegetables, fruit and herbs to them. 2 workday sessions for pupils from local secondary schools 2 team-building days + much more work on the Wild Space from Sunday sessions with Queerly Wild and the foraging fans. We grew edible plants with volunteers from the Canal and River Trust to be planted in public “pick as you wish” areas. We have provided work experience for 1 college student, and also a work-experience placement for someone looking to change career. Projects We finished the Severn Trent project to bring the Growing Forward garden into wheelchair accessible use and with a flood-proof path that seemed to work well despite the very wet year. Opening of an additional allotment plot as part of the Wild Space project to extend the site and provide additional space for volunteer sessions Carrying out a wildlife assessment of the site Recognition We achieved an “Outstanding” Level 5 in the “It’s Your Neighbourhood” Awards from RHS East Midlands in Bloom.
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Financial Review

Review of the charity’s financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	See enclosed CC16a
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	N/A
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in	Para 1.24	N/A

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Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

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	CIO
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	

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Windmill Community Gardens
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1194070
Charity's principal address	Windmill Community Gardens Ascot Road Bobbers Mill Nottingham

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	Matthew Hilton	N/A	N/A	Windmill Community Garden Committee
2	Rosemary Jarrett	N/A	N/A	Windmill Community Garden Committee
3	Susan Young	N/A	N/A	Windmill Community Garden Committee
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
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	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

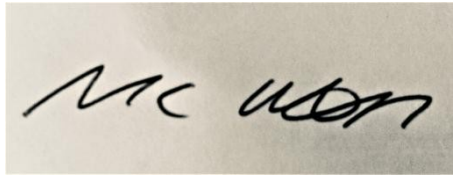
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s) Matthew Hilton

Position (eg Secretary, Treasurer
Chair, etc)

Date 1 February 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Windmill Community Gardens

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
4/6/2023

To

Period end date
4/5/2024

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					
Charitable Funding		26,070	-	26,070	31,535
Crowdfunder		6,663	-	6,663	
Donations (general)	506		-	506	2,092
Memberships	120		-	120	
Stalls & Events	559		-	559	602
Sessions	1,621		-	1,621	683
Refunds				-	430
Site costs			-	-	88
Workshops				-	75
				-	
			-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,806	32,733	-	35,539	35,505
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,806	32,733	-	35,539	35,505
A3 Payments					
Rent		796	-	796	528
Insurance	409		-	409	457
Volunteer Sessions and expenses	988	19,743	-	20,731	15,807
Expenses (General)	768	4,972	-	5,740	3,150
Expenses (events and workshops)	60	1,094	-	1,154	
Materials and labour/ Construction/ repairs	-	226	-	226	13,379
Cash correction from previous year	11		-	11	
			-	-	
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,235	26,832	-	29,067	33,321
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,235	26,832	-	29,067	33,321
Net of receipts/(payments)	570	5,902	-	6,472	2,184
A5 Transfers between funds	- 697	697	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,408	12,224	4,000	19,632	-
Cash funds this year end	3,281	18,822	4,000	26,104	2,184

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	Business Current Account	3,281	18,822	4,000
		-		-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,281	18,822	4,000
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
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)
			-	-
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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	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

WINDMILL COMMUNITY GARDENS.

On accounts for the year
ended

5 APRIL 2024

Charity no
(if any)

Set out on pages

(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 05/04/2024.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

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

Signed:

Date:

3.11.25

Name:

LINDSEY JAYCOCK

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

FMAAT, CTA

Address:

32 SEATHWATE CLOSE
NOTTINGHAM
NG2 6SF

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.