



# TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD April 2022-April 2023

Charity Name: Friends of College Wood  
Charity Registration Number: 1196877

## OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

### Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document

- a. To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment and biodiversity of College Wood, Knutsford and to encourage others to engage with, understand, enjoy, protect and enhance the woodland habitat
- b. In pursuance of the above, to advance the education of 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.

During the past 12 months we have had to fell a number of dangerous trees and storm damage has removed and damaged mature trees. We have opened up the Woods to improve surveillance, deterred anti social elements and encouraged local residents to enter and enjoy the amenity.

### Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

We confirm the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit in deciding the activities of the charity.

## ACHIVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

### 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

The main achievements of the charity in the period have been the in establishing a regime for the maintenance and care of the trees and facilitating and encouraging public access to the Woods.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

### **Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period**

The charity has obtained limited grant funding for tree care and new signage. We continually seek new funding sources to further our aims.

### **Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held**

The charity has no specific reserves policy, its unrestricted funds form its reserves.

### **Amount of reserves held**

The charity currently holds a balance of £1879.

### **Other declarations**

No funds are materially in deficit.

The charity has no uncertainties about its continuation as a going concern.

### **Principal Sources of Funds**

During the period a total of £2309 was received from Waitrose and Manchester Airport.

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Type of governing document**

Constitution

### **How is the charity constituted?**

Foundation model Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

### **Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions**

Trustees appoint up to eight trustees.

Knutsford Town Council appoints one trustee from its members.

## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

<b>Charity Name</b>	Friends of College Wood
<b>Other name the charity uses</b>	None
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1196877
<b>Charity's Principal Address</b>	58 Manor Park South, Knutsford, WA16 8AN

## TRUSTEES WHO MANAGE THE CHARITY

### Trustees at end of period

Where no date of appointment is given, the trustee served the entire period.

- Andrew Malloy (Chair)
- Paul Edward Davies
- Robert Graeham Taylor
- Malcolm Vaughan Thomas
- Jennifer Shutt
- Elizabeth Mary Slater
- Anthony Charles Slater
- Morgan Jones

### Trustees serving during the period

All trustees serving during the period were trustees at the end of the period.

### Other declarations

The charity has no corporate trustees.

No trustees hold title to property belonging to the charity.

No funds are held as custodian trustees on behalf of others.

## EXEMPTIONS FROM DISCLOSURE

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details.

n/a

## DECLARATIONS

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

Signed on behalf of the trustees on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023.

**Signature**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'MT', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Full Name**

Malcolm Thomas

**Position**

Treasurer

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