

# FRIENDS OF BANGOR GARTH PIER

England & Wales · Charity number 1198201

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2022-03-10

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, TO SUPPORT THE PROTECTION, PRESERVATION, RESTORATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE STRUCTURE AND BUILDINGS OF HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL MERIT OF BANGOR GARTH PIER AND TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN UNDERSTANDING THE HISTORY AND HERITAGE OF THIS VICTORIAN STRUCTURE, AND ITS LOCATION ON THE MENAI STRAIT.

**Activities:** We run a gift shop on the pier, and operate the entrance kiosk, both manned by a team of volunteers under the leadership of our volunteer coordinator. The profits from our gift shop are used to fund specific projects on the pier. The money raised at the entrance kiosk is passed directly to Bangor City Council to fund ongoing pier maintenance, ensuring a safe future for the pier.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Gwynedd

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£111,386	£79,893	-	-
2024-03-31	£75,180	£53,026	-	-
2023-03-31	£82,170	£48,163	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Avril Margaret Owen Wayte</b>	Chair	2020-10-07
Carolyn Owen		2022-01-18
Chris Conway		2023-06-13
Enid Parry		2022-07-19
John Chamberlain		2025-01-14
Lucy Rothwell		2023-02-07
Meryl Wynne Read		2025-03-25
Nigel Marland		2022-06-07
Sian Marland		2022-01-18
Vanessa Louise Hawkins		2021-02-20

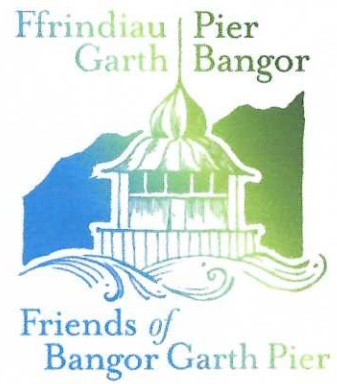
**FRIENDS OF BANGOR GARTH PIER**

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# Accounts

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**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**

**Charity registration number: 1198201**

**Trustees' Annual Report**

This annual report covers the period from 1/4/24 to 31/3/25

**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**  
**Trustees Annual Report**  
**For the period from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025**

### **Chair's Introduction**

As Chair of Friends of Bangor Garth Pier, I am delighted to introduce our third Trustees Annual Report. As reported below, our charity continues to go from strength to strength. Our visitor numbers continue to increase as we welcomed well over 125,000 visitors from all corners of the globe, as well as our loyal local residents who really love their pier which remains a cornerstone of our community. Our efforts this year have enabled us to raise the funds to undertake repairs to the pier's wooden kiosks, enabling their continued use as attractive and popular businesses serving the public. We are also proud to have held a number of events during the year including celebrating the pier's birthday and also St David's Day and Fireworks Night.

**Avril Wayte, Chair Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**

### **Objectives and Activities**

1. Purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document

Our purposes are to support the protection, preservation, restoration and improvement of Bangor Garth Pier, for the public benefit.

To advance the education of the public in understanding the history, heritage of this Victorian structure and its location on the Menai Strait.

2. Main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.

Our charity was established in March 2022 and this report represents fourth Annual Report.

The activities, projects and services identified in our accounts are as follows:

- I. Running a gift shop in one of the pier's kiosks, staffed entirely by our volunteers with the aim of producing profits to be used to contribute towards the physical restoration of the pier.
- II. Providing the welcoming presence at the pier's entrance kiosk, run in entirely by volunteers.
- III. Organising and holding events e.g. Pier 128<sup>th</sup> Birthday Festival, St David's Day event, Lighting up of the pier for Christmas & Christmas Concert, Christmas Santa's Grotto.
- IV. Other Fundraising activities including Sponsor a light for Christmas and applying for grants and sponsorship from local businesses or organisations to support specific events or activities.
- V. Donations

Any profits that we make help to fund specific projects on the pier to protect, preserve, restore or improve its facilities or to advance the education of the public in understanding the history, heritage and location of Bangor Garth Pier.

### 3. Public benefit

The actions carried out by our charity are decided upon and agreed in order to ensure that they fulfil our purposes, including the provision of identifiable benefits to the general public who visit the pier. This includes a welcoming presence at the entrance kiosk to the pier and the opportunity to visit our gift shop, both of which are manned by our body of volunteers.

By enabling members of the local community to become volunteers of the charity, and undertake duties on the pier, we are fulfilling a very important benefit to individuals to both contribute to their local community and to join a community of volunteers giving them a sense of purpose and contributing to their well-being.

### 4. Contribution made by volunteers

Volunteers make a very significant contribution to our ability to undertake all our activities. Our volunteer coordinator coordinates the activities of two groups of volunteers (60 in total) who are responsible for operating both the gift shop and the entrance kiosk.

The presence of our volunteers at the entrance kiosk, on a daily basis, has resulted in a very significant increase in income from entrance fees, which contribute towards the annual costs of routine pier maintenance and upkeep.

The volunteers also play an important role in enabling us to run our programme of events on the pier.

Having the ability to participate in pier life as a volunteer is a significant part of the public benefit to the local community enabled by our charity.

## **Achievements and Performance**

1. 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 for the year are:

- The increase in visitor numbers and revenue. Visitor numbers from 1/4/24 to 31/3/25 have increased to 125, 228 and revenue from the entrance fee is passed directly to Bangor City Council who own the pier.
- A very successful event programme which has helped to increase our visitor numbers and to raise the profile of the pier (see section 2 for more details).
- Improvements to the pier including the funding the construction of the second look-out kiosk at the pierhead and repair works to the other kiosks along the length of the pier.

## 2. Achievements against objectives set

One of our main objectives is to continue to make the pier as an attractive destination for both the local community and tourists and to increase the overall number of visitors to the pier, with a year-round calendar of events, including:

- St David's day Event (March)
- 128<sup>th</sup> Pier Anniversary Festival celebrations (May)
- Hallowe'en event (October)
- November 5<sup>th</sup> Fireworks on the Pier (November)
- Lighting up the pier for the Christmas period, Christmas concert and fireworks (November)
- Light Festival including Sponsor a Light for Christmas (October/November/December)
- Christmas Santa's grotto (December)

Allowing other local groups to use the pier for events also helped to raise awareness of the pier, benefit the local community and attract more visitors. These have included:

- Bangor Half Marathon
- Awyr Las (NHS Charity) sponsored swim from the pier
- Sponsored walks on the pier (various local charities)
- Students from Ocean Sciences Dept at Bangor University annual crabbing event for Freshers Week

Attending local events for profile raising for FBGP and the pier have included:

- Bangor University Freshers fair
- Mynydd Christmas Fair

The Friends of Bangor Garth Pier gift shop plays a significant part in the improvement of Bangor Garth Pier as it has maintained a reputation for the sale of quality goods, created by local artists, and a place where they can display and sell their wares.

We continue to use our online presence including the website and social media to raise the profile of the pier locally, nationally and internationally.

Monthly meetings with Bangor City Council have been continuing and help to strengthen the good working relationship between them as owners of the pier and FBGP.

## **Financial Review**

### 1. Review of the financial position of FBGP on 31/3/25

The financial position is represented in the audited Balance Sheet on the following page.

**Balance Sheet**  
**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**  
As at 31 Mar 25

	£	£
<b>Capital Assets</b>		
Net Book Value	0	
<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>87,834</b>	
Stock Adjustment	18,302	
Bank Account: Business Checking Account	69,352	
Bank Account: Cash Account	180	
<b>less Current Liabilities</b>		<b>180</b>
Other Creditors		180
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>£87,654</b>	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>£87,654</b>	
<b>Owner's Equity</b>		
Retained Profit		87,654
<b>Total Owner's Equity</b>		<b>£87,654</b>

There are currently no uncertainties about the FBGP continuing as a going concern.

2. Reserves Policy

FBGP will hold a reserve of £5000 as agreed by the Trustees to cover commission paid to suppliers or other expenses for the FBGP Kiosk Shop.

3. Principal sources of fundraising for FBGP

- I. Proceeds from our Kiosk Gift Shop
- II. Public donations
- III. Fundraising events
- IV. Sponsorship or grants from local businesses or organisations.

## Structure, Governance and Management

### 1. Governing document and constitution

Friends of Bangor Garth Pier's governing document is a Constitution and is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation CIO (Foundation).

### 2. Organisational structure and selection of new Trustees

We have no constitutional provisions. The Trustees are selected from the local community and are elected for a term of 3 years, renewable for a maximum of 3 terms. Vacancies for new trustees are identified by the Board taking into consideration the balance of skills required. Candidates are invited to attend a Board meeting to discuss the role.

As set down in our constitution, we have a maximum number of 12 trustees, some of whom also hold specific roles within the charity. The Board is led by the Chair with other officers including a Treasurer, Secretary and Vice-Chair. Officers are appointed by the Trustees. All trustees undertake their roles for Friends of Bangor Garth Pier in a voluntary capacity.

### 3. Relationship with related parties

We have a Memorandum of Understanding with Bangor City Council, who are the owners of Bangor Garth Pier.

## Reference and Administrative details

**Charity name:** Friends of Bangor Garth Pier

**Other name the charity uses:** Ffrindiau Pier Garth Bangor (Welsh language name)

**Registered charity number:** 1198201

**Charity's principal address:**

40 Ffriddoedd Road

Bangor

Gwynedd

LL57 2TW

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for the whole year
Avril Margaret Owen Wayte	Chair	

Donald Wayte		Until January 2025
Vanessa Hawkins	Vice Chair (from March 2025)	
Sian Marland	Treasurer	
Nigel Marland		
Enid Parry	Fundraising	
Carolyn Owen	Secretary	
Wynne Roberts		Until March 2025
Lucy Rothwell	Fundraising	
Chris Conway	Shop Coordinator	
Sonya Edwards		From January 2025
John Chamberlain		From January 2025
Meryl Edwards	Shop Coordinator	From March 2025

**Please note** There are no corporate trustees or trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity. The charity does not have any employees.

### Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature: 

Full name: Avril Margaret Owen Wayte

Position: Chair

Date: 18/11/25

**Profit & Loss**  
**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**  
Accounting Year 2024/25\*

	Debit	Credit
<b>Turnover</b>		<b>111,386</b>
Sales		86,620
Donations (Charitable)		5,060
Fundraising		184
Xmas on the pier		1,602
Event 2023\2024		4,150
Festival		7,094
Fireworks night		3,193
Raffle		3,483
<b>less Cost of Sales</b>	<b>65,900</b>	
Commission Paid	13,796	
Stock purchase	16,231	
Event 23\24	3,186	
Events	150	
Fireworks night expenses	2,040	
raffle expenses	102	
Repairs and Maintenance	30,395	
<b>less Tax-Disallowable Cost of Sales</b>	<b>2,082</b>	
Christmas on the Pier	2,082	
<b>Gross Profit</b>		<b>43,404</b>
<b>less Administration Expenses</b>	<b>11,911</b>	
Gifts	157	
Festival Expenses	3,363	
Shop Costs	1,393	
Web Hosting	14	
Computer Software	294	
Office Equipment	728	
Other Computer Costs	642	
Internet & Telephone	26	
Stationery	50	
Miscellaneous	1,292	

Meals	400
Advertising and Promotion	1,885
Staff Entertaining	317
Legal and Professional Fees	440
Accountancy Fees	300
Consultancy Fees	210
Postage	27
Subscriptions	10
Insurance	363

<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>£31,493</b>
<i>less Drawings</i>	<b>£0</b>
<i>less Profit &amp; Loss journal entries</i>	<b>£0</b>
<b>Retained Profit this period:</b>	<b>£31,493</b>
<b>Retained Profit brought forward:</b>	<b>£56,161</b>
<b>Distributable Reserves / Retained Profit carried forward:</b>	<b>£87,654</b>

\* Accounting information incomplete.

**Certificate on behalf of the Management Committee**

I, on behalf of the Trustees, certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accounting records produced, together with the information and explanations given to me constitute a true and correct record of all transactions of "Friends of Bangor Garth Pier" for the year ended 31 March 2025 and I confirm that these accounts have my approval.

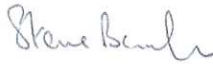


Signed by the Chairperson

Date 25 July 2025

**Independent Examiner's Report**

The accounts incorporating the attached profit and loss account and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2025 above have been prepared from the records and information provided and are certified to be in accordance therewith.



Signed

Independent Examiner

S D B BANWELL FFA F.Inst LAM

Date: 16 July 2025

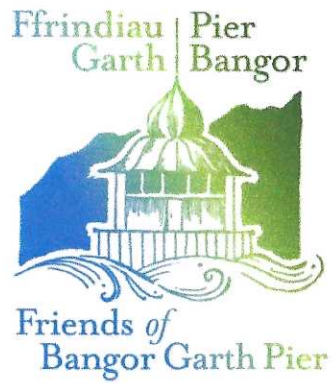
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# Accounts

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**Avril Wayte, Chair Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**

**Objectives and Activities**

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- A very successful event programme which has helped to increase our visitor numbers and to raise the profile of the pier (see section 2 for more details).

2. Achievements against objectives set

One of our main objectives is to continue to make the pier as an attractive destination for both the local community and tourists and to increase the overall number of visitors to the pier, with a year-round calendar of events, including:

- 127<sup>th</sup> Pier Anniversary Festival celebrations (May)
- Concrete Barges of the Menai Straits talk by Richard Lewis (May)
- Summer Concert – Elvis on the Pier (August)
- Hallowe'en event (October)
- Lighting up the pier for the Christmas period, Christmas concert and fireworks (November)
- Sponsor a Light for Christmas (November/December)
- Christmas Santa's grotto (December)

Allowing other local groups to use the pier for events also helped to raise awareness of the pier, benefit the local community and attract more visitors. These have included:

- Bangor Half Marathon
- Awyr Las (NHS Charity) sponsored swim from the pier
- Sponsored walks on the pier (various local charities)
- Students from Ocean Sciences Dept at Bangor University annual crabbing event for Freshers Week
- Hosting BCC guests on the pier as part of their Twinning Event with Soest

Attending local events for profile raising for FBGP and the pier have included:

- Bangor University Freshers fair
- Mynydd Christmas Fair

The Friends of Bangor Garth Pier gift shop plays a significant part in the improvement of Bangor Garth Pier as it has maintained a reputation for the sale of quality goods, created by local artists, and a place where they can display and sell their wares.

A new website was commissioned with a fresh and modern design to improve the information that is available to visitors to the pier; to encourage more people to volunteer with FBGP; to encourage more participation in events on the pier and to communicate the work of FBGP.

In conjunction with the new website, we have subscribed to a new email system (Mailchimp) to assist with communication with our membership and those who have signed up to receive the quarterly newsletter.

Monthly meetings with Bangor City Council have been re-established to strengthen the good working relationship between them as owners of the pier and FBGP.

## **Financial Review**

1. Review of the financial position of FBGP on 31/3/24

The financial position is represented in the audited Balance Sheet on the following page.

There are currently no uncertainties about the FBGP continuing as a going concern.

## 2. Reserves Policy

FBGP will hold a reserve of £5000 as agreed by the Trustees to cover commission paid to suppliers or other expenses for the FBGP Kiosk Shop.

## 3. Principal sources of fundraising for FBGP

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**Balance Sheet**  
**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**  
As at 31 March 2024

	£	£
<b>Capital Assets</b>		
Net Book Value	£0	
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Stock Adjustment	10,687	
Bank Account: Business Checking Account	45,474	
Bank Account: Cash Account	180	
<b>Less Current Liabilities</b>		<b>180</b>
Other Creditors		180
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>£56,161</b>	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>£56,161</b>	
<b>Owner's Equity:</b>		
Retained Profit		56,161
<b>Total Owner's Equity</b>		<b>£56,161</b>

## Structure, Governance and Management

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As set down in our constitution, we have a maximum number of 12 trustees, some of whom also hold specific roles within the charity. The Board is led by the Chair with other officers including a Treasurer, Secretary and Vice-Chair. Officers are appointed by the Trustees. All trustees undertake their roles for Friends of Bangor Garth Pier in a voluntary capacity.

### 3. Relationship with related parties

We have a Memorandum of Understanding with Bangor City Council, who are the owners of Bangor Garth Pier.

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### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for the whole year
Avril Margaret Owen Wayte	Chair	
Donald Malcolm Wayte		
Vanessa Hawkins	Press Engagement Officer	
Sian Marland	Treasurer	
Nigel Marland		

Fiona Jones	Shop merchandising	Until May 2023
Enid Parry	Fundraising	
Les Day		Until November 2023
Martin Brown	Minutes secretary	Until June 2023
Carolyn Owen	Secretary	
Wynne Roberts	Vice Chair	
Lucy Rothwell	Fundraising	
Chris Conway		From June 2023

**Please note** There are no corporate trustees or trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity. The charity does not have any employees.

**Declarations**

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

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

**Signature:** 

**Full name: Avril Margaret Owen Wayte**

**Position: Chair**

**Date:** 12/11/24.

**Profit & Loss**  
**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**  
Accounting Year 2023/24

	Debit	Credit
<b>Turnover</b>		<b>75,180</b>
Sales		43,076
Donations (Charitable)		5,345
BCC funds		19,941
Fundraising		430
Xmas on the pier		3,552
Event 2023\2024		2,835
<b>less Cost of Sales</b>	<b>43,761</b>	
Cost of Sales	70	
Commission Paid	10,786	
Stock purchase	11,706	
Event 23\24	1,258	
Gate takings to Bangor CC	19,941	
<b>less Tax-Disallowable Cost of Sales</b>	<b>4,533</b>	
Christmas on the Pier	4,533	
<b>Gross Profit</b>		<b>26,886</b>
<b>less Administration Expenses</b>	<b>4,732</b>	
Gifts	10	
Shop Costs	830	
Web Hosting	166	
Computer Software	21	
Office Equipment	50	
Stationery	427	
Miscellaneous	30	
Advertising and Promotion	530	
Legal and Professional Fees	35	
Accountancy Fees	500	
Consultancy Fees	1,754	

Postage	20
Insurance	359
<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>£22,154</b>
<i>less Drawings</i>	<b>£0</b>
<i>less Profit &amp; Loss journal entries</i>	<b>£0</b>
<b>Retained Profit this period:</b>	<b>£22,154</b>
<b>Retained Profit brought forward:</b>	<b>£34,007</b>
<b>Distributable Reserves / Retained Profit carried forward:</b>	<b>£56,161</b>

**Balance Sheet**  
**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**  
As at 31 March 2024

	£	£
<b>Capital Assets</b>		
Net Book Value	£0	
<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>56,341</b>	
Stock Adjustment	10,687	
Bank Account: Business Checking Account	45,474	
Bank Account: Cash Account	180	
<b>less Current Liabilities</b>		<b>180</b>
Other Creditors		180
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>£56,161</b>	
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## Certificate on behalf of the Management Committee

I, on behalf of the Trustees, certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accounting records produced, together with the information and explanations given to me constitute a true and correct record of all transactions of "Friends of Bangor Garth Pier" for the year ended 31 March 2024 and I confirm that these accounts have my approval.

Signed by the Chairperson

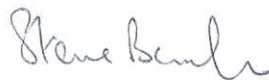
Date 5 September 2024



## Independent Examiner's Report

The accounts incorporating the attached profit and loss account and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2024 above have been prepared from the records and information provided and are certified to be in accordance therewith.

Signed



Independent Examiner

S D B BANWELL FFA F.Inst LAM

Date: 5 September 2024

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I, on behalf of the Trustees, certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accounting records produced, together with the information and explanations given to me constitute a true and correct record of all transactions of "Friends of Bangor Garth Pier" for the year ended 31 March 2024 and I confirm that these accounts have my approval.

Signed by the Chairperson

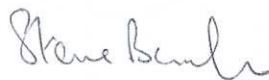
Date 5 September 2024



## Independent Examiner's Report

The accounts incorporating the attached profit and loss account and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2024 above have been prepared from the records and information provided and are certified to be in accordance therewith.

Signed



Independent Examiner

S D B BANWELL FFA F.Inst LAM

Date: 5 September 2024

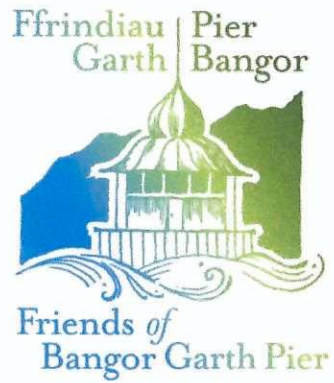
**FRIENDS OF BANGOR GARTH PIER**

England & Wales - Charity number 1198201

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# Accounts

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**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**

**Charity registration number: 1198201**

**Trustees' Annual Report**

This annual report covers the period from 1/4/22 to 31/3/23

**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier  
Trustees Annual Report  
For the period from 1 April 2022 to March 2023**

### **Chair's Introduction**

As Chair of Friends of Bangor Garth Pier, I am delighted to introduce our first Trustees' Annual Report. As reported below, our charity goes from strength to strength. Our community involvement, both in terms of recruitment of local volunteers and the showcasing of local talent at our shop has already far surpassed our initial aims.

The contribution of Bangor Garth Pier to the local community and the wider area is tremendous – it has become a very important destination for locals and visitors alike (both from all parts of the UK and worldwide), and we as a charity are very proud to have played, and to continue to play, a significant part in its success.

**Avril Wayte, Chair Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**

### **Objectives and Activities**

1. Purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document

Our purposes are to support the protection, preservation, restoration and improvement of Bangor Garth Pier, for the public benefit.

To advance the education of the public in understanding the history, heritage of this Victorian structure and its location on the Menai Strait.

2. Main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.

Our charity was established in March 2022 and this report represents our first Annual Report.

The activities, projects and services identified in our accounts are as follows:

- I. A Pier Bangor 125 years exhibition held at Storiol Museum, Bangor, to celebrate 125 years of pier life. This was arranged in conjunction with the owner of the pier, Bangor City Council, and supported by a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund obtained by Bangor City Council.

This exhibition played a significant role in achieving our aim of educating the public in understanding the history and heritage of our pier.

It also played a significant role in public engagement as many of the artefacts displayed were gathered from the local community.

- II. Establishment of a volunteer run gift shop in one of the pier's kiosks, with the support of Bangor City Council, with the aim of producing profits to be used to contribute towards the physical restoration of the pier. Specific restorative projects include the rebuilding of the viewing kiosks at the pierhead, including one in memory of the HMS Conway.

This gift shop plays a significant part in the improvement of Bangor Garth Pier as it has developed a reputation for the sale of quality goods, created by local artists, and a place where they can display and sell their wares.

- III. Establishment of a welcoming presence at the pier's entrance kiosk, run in entirety by volunteers.

### 3. Public benefit

The actions carried out by our charity are decided upon and agreed in order to ensure that they fulfil our purposes, including the provision of identifiable benefits to the general public who visit the pier. This includes a welcoming presence at the entrance kiosk to the pier and the opportunity to visit our gift shop, both of which are manned by our body of volunteers.

By enabling members of the local community to become volunteers of the charity, and undertake duties on the pier, we are fulfilling a very important benefit to individuals to both contribute to their local community and to join a community of volunteers giving them a sense of purpose and contributing to their well-being.

### 4. Contribution made by volunteers

Volunteers make a very significant contribution to our ability to undertake all our activities. Our volunteer coordinator coordinates the activities of two groups of volunteers (60 in total) who are responsible for operating both the gift shop and the entrance kiosk.

The presence of our volunteers at the entrance kiosk, on a daily basis, has resulted in a very significant increase in income from entrance fees, which contribute towards the annual costs of routine pier maintenance and upkeep.

Many social events are held annually on the pier, and our volunteers play an important role in these events.

Having the ability to participate in pier life as a volunteer is a significant part of the public benefit to the local community enabled by our charity.

## **Achievements and Performance**

1. 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 achievement of our charity during this period was the award of Pier of the Year 2022 by the National Piers Society. This prestigious award was made on the basis of the tremendous work undertaken to make the pier the beautiful, prosperous, welcoming pier that it is today.

It is a testament to our trustees, our wider members, and our dedicated volunteers that our pier is considered worthy of such a distinction.

Our visitors come from all four corners of the world, and they come in all weathers, and, and they leave with a feel-good feeling, and a promise to be back! We are delighted to welcome them to our little corner of North Wales.

A second significant achievement was the recruitment of world-renowned singer Aled Jones as our Patron. Aled was born and bred in nearby Anglesey, and we are delighted by his patronage.

## 2. Achievements against objectives set

One of our main objectives was to establish the pier as a destination for both the local community and tourists and to increase the overall number of visitors to the pier, with a year-long calendar of events, including:

- 126<sup>th</sup> Pier Party celebrations with fireworks.
- Jubilee Weekend celebrations.
- Pancake Day event for local school children.
- Easter weekend event.
- August Bank Holiday Music events.
- Hallowe'en event.
- Lighting up the pier for the Christmas period.
- Christmas concert.
- Christmas Santa's grotto

Another objective was to communicate with our membership by the production of a regular newsletter, currently distributed via e-mail. This is produced quarterly and is seen as a significant mechanism for the dissemination of information to our members.

## **Financial Review**

### 1. Review of the financial position of FBGP on 31/3/23

The financial position is represented in the audited Balance Sheet on the following page.

There are currently no uncertainties about the FBGP continuing as a going concern.

### 2. Reserves Policy

FBGP will hold a reserve of £5000 as agreed by the Trustees to cover commission paid to suppliers or other expenses for the FBGP Kiosk Shop.

### 3. Principal sources of fundraising for FBGP

#### I. Proceeds from our Kiosk Gift Shop

- II. Public donations
- III. Fundraising events

**Balance Sheet**  
**Friends of Bangor Garth Pier**  
 As at 31 March 2023

	£	£
<b>Capital Assets</b>		
Net Book Value	£0	
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Stock Adjustment	8,084	
Bank Account: Business Checking Account	27,577	
Bank Account: Cash Account	178	
<b>less Current Liabilities</b>		<b>1,831</b>
Other Debtors		1,654
Other Creditors		178
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>£34,007</b>	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>£34,007</b>	
<b>Owner's Equity:</b>		
Retained Profit		34,007
<b>Total Owner's Equity</b>		<b>£34,007</b>

## Structure, Governance and Management

### 1. Governing document and constitution

Friends of Bangor Garth Pier's governing document is a Constitution and is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation CIO (Foundation).

### 2. Organisational structure and selection of new Trustees

We have no constitutional provisions. The Trustees are selected from the local community and are elected for a term of 3 years, renewable for a maximum of 3 terms. Vacancies for new trustees are identified by the Board taking into consideration the balance of skills required. Candidates are invited to attend a Board meeting to discuss the role.

As set down in our constitution, we have a maximum number of 12 trustees, some of whom also hold specific roles within the charity. The Board is led by the Chair with other officers including a Treasurer, Secretary and Vice-Chair. Officers are appointed by the Trustees. All trustees undertake their roles for Friends of Bangor Garth Pier in a voluntary capacity.

### 3. Relationship with related parties

We have a Memorandum of Understanding with Bangor City Council, who are the owners of Bangor Garth Pier.

## Reference and Administrative details

**Charity name:** Friends of Bangor Garth Pier

**Other name the charity uses:** Ffrindiau Pier Garth Bangor (Welsh language name)

**Registered charity number:** 1198201

**Charity's principal address:**

40 Ffriddoedd Road

Bangor

Gwynedd

LL57 2TW

## Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for the whole year
Avril Margaret Owen Wayte	Chair	
Donald Malcolm Wayte		
Vanessa Hawkins	Press Engagement Officer	
Sian Marland	Treasurer	
Nigel Marland		From June 2022

Fiona Jones	Shop merchandising	
Enid Parry	Fundraising	From June 2022
Les Day		
Martin Brown	Minutes secretary	
Carolyn Owen	Secretary	
Wynne Roberts	Vice Chair	
Noelle Devereux		Until January 2022
Lucy Rothwell	Fundraising	From February 2023

**Please note** There are no corporate trustees or trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity. The charity does not have any employees.

### Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature: 

Full name: Avril Margaret Owen Wayte

Position: Chair

Date: 14/11/23.