

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

England & Wales · Charity number 1198333

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-03-22

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION, EDUCATION AND OTHER LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION FOR CHILDREN RESIDENT IN GOLDBORNE WARD AND SURROUNDING AREAS IN KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA, BEING FACILITIES: (A) OF WHICH SUCH CHILDREN HAVE NEED BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES, AND (B) WHICH WILL IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR SUCH CHILDREN BY PROMOTING THEIR PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING.

Activities: Community play and youth provision delivering enriching activities that improve wellbeing of disadvantaged children and young people aged 5 to 16. Operates from purpose built premises in the Golborne ward of North Kensington, Kensington and Chelsea, London.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Kensington And Chelsea

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£191,465	£144,067	-	-
2024-03-31	£192,900	£189,400	-	-
2023-03-31	£182,029	£175,325	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Tracy Wauchope	Chair	2022-04-01
Alex Hood		2022-04-01
Carol London-Baptiste		2024-04-01
DAVID WERNER-RATKOVIC MR		2022-04-01

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**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
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**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

Trustees

Tracy Wauchope
Alex Hood
David Werner-Ratkovic
Carol London-Baptiste

Charity Number

1198333 (England and Wales)

Accountants

Tarpon Limited
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HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND TRUSTEES' REPORT

Trustees' Report

The Trustees of Hornimans Adventure Playground present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's constitution, applicable law, and the requirements of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) (FRS 102).

Structure, Governance and Management

Hornimans Adventure Playground has operated as a registered charity since 1989 and became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) in May 2022 (registration number 1198333).

Trustees are appointed annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and serve for one year, after which they may seek reappointment. The constitution allows for a maximum of 15 trustees to form the Management Committee. This Committee is accountable to the AGM and is responsible for setting the overall strategic direction, overseeing the charity's affairs, and approving key policies, including those relating to investment, reserves and risk management.

The day-to-day running of Hornimans Adventure Playground is delegated to the Management & Staff teams. The Board regularly reviews the skills required for effective governance. New trustees may be recruited through open advertisement or through engagement with key partners and supporters.

All newly appointed trustees take part in an induction process, which includes a meeting with the Chair and Trustees, an introduction to the history and purpose of the charity, and access to the charity's Constitution and the Charity Commission guidance "*The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know*". Trustees are also expected to familiarise themselves with the playground's policies and procedures.

Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that appropriate systems and procedures are in place to manage and mitigate these risks.

Objectives and Activities

Hornimans Adventure Playground exists to provide facilities for recreation and leisure for children and young people in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea:

- a) Facilities needed due to their youth and/or social and economic circumstances.
- b) Facilities that improve their quality of life by promoting physical, mental and emotional wellbeing.
- c) A playground offering opportunities for adventure, creativity and safe learning for children aged 5 to 15 years.

These objectives have remained unchanged since the charity's formation. In furtherance of these charitable objects, the Management Committee may:

- a) Provide, maintain and equip playgrounds offering opportunities for adventure and enterprise.
- b) Support and raise funds for the establishment and maintenance of such playgrounds.
- c) Employ staff to assist in the management of play spaces.
- d) Build relationships with individuals and organisations involved in the design, development and management of playgrounds.
- e) Implement policies required under the contract between RBKC Family and Children's Services and Hornimans Adventure Playground. No changes were made to these policies during the year.

RBKC Grant Contract:

During 2024-25, Hornimans Adventure Playground has been grant contracted by the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea (RBKC) to deliver Community Adventure Play. The annual value of the RBKC grant contract during 2024-25 is £ 71,156.

RBKC are actively encouraging Community Adventure Play organisations to work collaboratively to provide consistent, high quality play provision across the Borough.

The ongoing commitment of RBKC provides us with the firm foundations on which sustainability and capacity building can continue to be successfully developed.

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND TRUSTEES' REPORT

Charitable grants and other income:

We thank RBKC and various charities, trusts and foundations that made our work possible during 2024-25 due to their support and generosity:

RBKC Grant Contract	£71,156
John Lyon's Charity	£35,000
Young K&C Foundation	£13,380
Kensington + Chelsea Foundation	£13,500
Garfield Weston Foundation	£10,000
Lightbulb Trust	£35,000
Julia Rausing Trust	£4,400
RBKC Holiday Activities & Food (HAF)	£4,320
RBKC Arts Grant	£3,000

Statement of Public Benefit:

The trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in deciding the activities undertaken by the charity during the year. The trustees are satisfied that the information provided in the report and accounts meets the public benefit reporting requirements.

Achievements and Performance

Hornimans Adventure Playground continues to be a well-used and much-valued community resource, offering free adventure play opportunities for local children and young people aged 5 to 15.

During 2024–2025, we successfully operated an all-year-round service, engaging over 400 individual children and young people, with approximately 80% living in deprived communities in RBKC. Around 80% of those attending are eligible for Free School Meals and/or lived in areas of high deprivation.

We delivered free play sessions for 39 weeks during term time, opening Monday to Friday (3.30pm–6pm) and Saturdays (12pm–4pm). In addition, we ran a dedicated SEND play session every Saturday morning (10am–12pm). During 12 weeks of school holidays, we provided extended play services, Monday to Friday (10.30am–4.30pm).

Our collaborations with community partners continued to enrich our offer:

- Pursuing Independent Pathways (PiP): Supporting disabled young adults to develop work-related skills.
- Local Schools: Providing mentoring for children at risk of exclusion or poor educational outcomes.
- The Felix Project: Distributing weekly free food to families in need.
- Central Saint Martins (UAL): Co-delivering creative arts activities.
- Meanwhile Gardens: Activities at the local gardening allotments

Key projects this year included establishing a dedicated programme for children, young people and young adults with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), as well as maintaining our HAF and term-time food provision.

Adventure play, both structured and freely chosen, remains vital to children's physical, social and emotional development. Hornimans provides an environment where children can express themselves creatively, build confidence, make friends and engage in imaginative, active play. We remain committed to supporting our community and ensuring the playground continues to be a safe, nurturing and inclusive space for all.

Future Plans

Looking ahead, Hornimans is committed to strengthening our mission and ensuring the long-term sustainability of our work. Over the next 3 to 5 years, our priorities will include:

- Expansion & Development: Creating and implementing a strategy, focused on diversifying income and ensuring sustainability and exploring opportunities to take on and deliver new services.
- Partnerships and Collaboration: Building and strengthening partnerships to improve support, resources and opportunities for children and families.
- Ofsted Registration: Pursuing Ofsted registration to formally recognise the quality and safety of our provision and provide additional assurance for families.
- Quality in Play: Enhancing the quality of our programmes through best practice, reflective playwork, and approaches that support the diverse needs of our community.
- Project Development: Expanding targeted provision, particularly for SEND children and Girls and Young Women, to create inclusive and empowering opportunities.
- Play Space Improvements: Ongoing refurbishment and enhancement of our indoor and outdoor play spaces to maintain a safe, stimulating and accessible environment.
- Environmental Sustainability: Reviewing our carbon footprint and adopting eco-friendly operational practices to reduce environmental impact and support a more sustainable future.

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND TRUSTEES' REPORT

Our Commitment to the Community

Hornimans is more than just an adventure playground; it is a sanctuary for the children who depend on it and their families. With the rapid growth and development in the area, safe, child-oriented spaces are increasingly scarce. We are dedicated to maintaining and enhancing this playground, which many families consider a second home. The happiness and wellbeing of our children are our utmost priority.

Acknowledgments

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated staff at Hornimans for providing stability and continuity during challenging times. Their unwavering commitment is the bedrock of our success. We also thank the volunteers who generously give their time and the supporters who provide necessary funding. Without your contributions, the positive impact we create would not be possible.

Review of financial position:

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a gain for the year of £47,398, of which £35,000 is allocated to very urgent capital repairs. At 31 March 2025, free unrestricted reserves totalled £119,900. The Trustees remain committed to strengthening fundraising efforts to ensure Hornimans can continue operating sustainably. Although good progress has been made in securing new funding, this remains an ongoing priority for the charity.

Reserves Policy:

It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds in the form of net current assets at a level which the trustees believe appropriate after considering the future commitments of the charity and the likely administrative costs of the charity in the coming year.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors



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Tracey Wauchope
Director

Approved by the board on: 09 November 2025

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT

We report to the Management Committee on our examination of the financial statements of HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND (the Playground) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Management Committee of the Playground you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

We report in respect of my examination of the Playground's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

We understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

We have completed our examination and confirm that no matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Playground as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

We have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Tarpon Limited

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09 November 2025

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	Total Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2024 £
Charitable income	191,465	192,920
Charitable activities	(144,067)	(189,367)
Net income for the year	47,398	3,553
Total net income	47,398	3,553
Other adjustments	-	-
Total income the financial year	47,398	3,553

The income statement includes all gains and losses recognized in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	12,182	12,899
Current assets			
Debtors	5	58,460	54,000
Cash at bank and in hand		119,974	70,537
		178,434	130,319
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(9,753)	(9,753)
Net current assets		168,681	120,566
Net assets		180,863	133,465
Income fund			
Unrestricted fund		180,863	133,465
Total funds		180,863	133,465

For the year ending 31 March 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The trustees have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A - Small Entities.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 9 November 2025 and were signed on its behalf by



Tracey Wauchope
Trustee

Charity Registration No. 1198333

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Statutory information

Hornimans Adventure Playground is a Charitable Incorporation Organisation (CIO) with the charity number 1198333.

2 Compliance with accounting standards

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Playground's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The Playground is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

3 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below and have remained unchanged from the previous year, and also have been consistently applied within the same accounts.

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets.

Presentation currency

The accounts are presented in £ sterling.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible assets are included at cost less depreciation and impairment. Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives:

Land & buildings	Over a 20 year period (life of the lease)
Fixtures & fittings	25% on cost

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Land & buildings	Fixtures & fittings	Total
	£	£	£
Cost or valuation			
At 1 April 2024	256,226	138,853	395,079
At 31 March 2025	256,226	138,853	395,079
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	243,327	138,853	382,180
Charge for the year	717	-	717
At 31 March 2025	244,044	138,853	382,897
Net book value			
At 31 March 2025	12,182	-	12,182
At 31 March 2024	12,899	-	12,899

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5 Debtors	2025	2024
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Accrued income and prepayments	5,782	5,782
Other debtors	52,678	48,218
	58,460	54,000
	58,460	54,000

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals	9,753	9,753
	9,753	9,753

7 Average number of employees

During the year the average number of employees was 6 (2024: 6).

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Income		
Charitable activities-grants	190,256	192,248
Investments	1,209	672
	191,465	192,920
Administrative expenses		
Wages and salaries	89,725	86,362
Pensions	2,907	3,110
Social security costs	10,761	13,639
Temporary staff and recruitment	-	-
Staff training and welfare	-	-
Premises costs	8,452	5,953
Running costs	29,447	77,883
Depreciation	717	717
Charitable expenditure	2,058	1,703
	144,067	189,367
Net income	47,398	3,553
Total income for the financial year	47,398	3,553

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**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
CHARITY INFORMATION
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Trustees

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Carol London -Baptiste
Deborah Fiamberti
Alex Hood
David Werner-Ratkovic

Charity Number

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HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORT

The Management Committee presents their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's constitution, applicable law and the requirements of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102).

Structure, Governance and Management

Hornimans Adventure Playground has existed as a registered charity since 1989. In May 2022 Hornimans Adventure Playground re-registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. CIO registration number 1198333.

The Trustees are appointed annually at the Annual General Meeting and serve for one year after which they may put themselves forward for re-appointment if they wish to continue to serve. The constitution provides for a maximum of 15 trustees to form a Management Committee elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. This Committee is responsible to the Annual General Meeting and between General Meetings directs and manages the affairs of Hornimans Adventure Playground and agrees the broad strategy and areas of activity for the playground, including consideration of investments, reserves and risk management policies and performance. The day to day running of Hornimans Adventure Playground is delegated to the Manager and Senior playworker. The Board keeps the skill requirements for the Trustee Body under review. New trustees may be sought by open advertisement or through a dialogue with major grant recipients.

The induction process for any newly appointed trustee comprises an initial meeting with the Chair and Trustees, at which point they will be given an induction pack that includes a brief history of Hornimans Adventure Playground, a copy of the Constitution, and a copy of the Charity Commission's guidance 'The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know'. Newly appointed trustees are expected to familiarize themselves with the playground's Policies and Procedures.

Risk Factors

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Objectives and Activities

The playground is a charity and exists to provide facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupations for children in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. Being the facilities

- a) Of which such children have need by reason of their youth or social and economic circumstances and
- b) Which will improve the conditions of life for such children by promoting physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing and
- c) To provide, maintain and equip a playground offering opportunities for adventure and enterprise and a safe and learning environment for children between the ages of 5 and 15 years. These objectives have not been altered since the association was formed. The custodian trustees are responsible for the conditions set out in the lease with RBKC.

In furtherance of the objects of the Association and without prejudice to the generality thereof, the Committee may:

- a) provide, maintain and equip a playground or playgrounds offering opportunities for adventure and enterprise
- b) assist the provision, maintenance and equipment of such playground(s) as aforesaid and raise money for these purposes
- c) employ staff to assist the Association in managing the play areas established
- d) make and maintain contact with and enlist general support from other persons and organisations who are interested in the design, establishment, development or management of playgrounds.
- e) The policies adopted in furtherance of these objectives form part of the contract between the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Family and Children's Services and Hornimans Adventure Playground and there has been no change in these during the year.

RBKC Grant Commissioning:

Hornimans Adventure Playground is grant commissioned by the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea (RBKC) to deliver Community Adventure Play. The annual value of the RBKC grant contract during 2023-24 is £87,140.

RBKC are actively encouraging Community Adventure Play organisations to work collaboratively to provide consistent, high quality play provision across the Borough.

Though there has been a reduction in the RBKC grant contract, the ongoing commitment of RBKC provides us with the firm foundations on which a sustainability and capacity building programme can continue to be successfully developed and implemented.

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORT

Charitable grants and other income:

We thank the RBKC and various charitable trusts and foundations that made our work possible during 2023-24 due to their kind support and generosity:

RBKC Commissioning £87,140
John Lyon's Charity £37,000
Young K&C Foundation £23,490
Kensington & Chelsea Foundation £13,500
Garfield Weston Foundation £10,000
Octavia Foundation £5,000
Sport England £9,900
RBKC Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) £4,530

Statement of Public Benefit:

The trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in deciding the activities undertaken by the charity during the year. The trustees are satisfied that the information provided in the report and accounts meets the public benefit reporting requirements.

Achievements and Performance

Hornimans Adventure Playground continues to be a vital resource for community adventure play, serving children and young people aged 5 to 15 years. During 2023-2024, we successfully provided an all-year-round service, engaging 341 individual users, with approximately 80% of participants residing in Golborne Ward and the surrounding areas. Notably, around 80% of our beneficiaries are eligible for Free School Meals and/or live in deprived areas.

We operated free play sessions for 39 weeks during term time with revised hours: Monday to Friday (3.30 PM – 6 PM) and Saturdays (12 PM – 4 PM). During 12 weeks of school holidays, we also provided play services (Monday to Friday, 10.30 AM – 4.30 PM).

Our collaborations with local organizations significantly enriched our offerings:

- Pursuing Independent Pathways (PiP): Supported disabled young adults (ages 18–25) in developing work skills.
- Local Schools: Mentored children at risk of exclusion or poor educational outcomes.
- Felix Project: Offered weekly free food distributions to families in need.
- Met Police Youth & Community Engagement Team: Strengthened community ties through events.

Key projects included the establishment of a dedicated programme for children, young people and young adults with special educational needs and disabilities and our HAF and term time food programmes.

Adventure play, both structured and free, is crucial to children's development. Hornimans fosters an environment where children can creatively express themselves, socialise, and engage in imaginative play. We remain committed to supporting our community, ensuring the playground continues to be a safe and nurturing space for all children.

Future Plans

As we look to the future, Hornimans is committed to enhancing our mission to provide a safe, engaging, and supportive environment for children in our community. Our future plans are rooted in strategic growth, sustainability, and the continuous improvement of our services. Below are the key initiatives we plan to undertake over the next 3 to 5 years:

- **Development:** We will develop and implement a comprehensive 3-5 year strategy that includes an income and fundraising strategy. Our emphasis will be on diversifying our funding sources to ensure long-term sustainability and to adapt our management plan accordingly.
- **Partnerships & collaboration is vital.** We will work together to enhance support and resources for the children and families we serve.
- **Ofsted Registration:** We will pursue registration with Ofsted to ensure that our programs meet high standards of quality and safety. This registration will strengthen our credibility and reassure families that their children are in good hands.
- **Quality in Play Initiatives:** We will strive to enhance the quality of our play programs through the adoption of best practices and innovative approaches that cater to the diverse needs of our community.
- **Project Development:** We are dedicated to developing new projects focused on Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND) and targeted initiatives for Girls and Young Women. These projects aim to create inclusive opportunities that empower every child.
- **Play Space Enhancements:** Continuous improvement of our indoor and outdoor play spaces is paramount. We will refurbish, replace, and upgrade facilities as needed, ensuring a safe and engaging environment for all children.
- **Eco-Friendly Operations:** We recognize the importance of sustainability. A thorough review of our carbon footprint will guide us in developing eco-friendly operational practices, reducing our environmental impact, and fostering a sustainable future for our community.

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORT

Our Commitment to the Community

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Acknowledgments

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated staff at Hornimans for providing stability and continuity during challenging times. Their unwavering commitment is the bedrock of our success. We also thank the volunteers who generously give their time and the supporters who provide necessary funding. Without your contributions, the positive impact we create would not be possible.

Staffing Restructure: In response to the financial challenges faced during 2023-24, Hornimans underwent a staffing restructure to reduce costs. This decision was taken with careful consideration, and we remain committed to supporting our remaining team as we work together to advance our mission and improve our services.


Review of financial position:

The statement of Financial Activities shows a gain for the year of £3,553. At 31st March 2024 free unrestricted reserves totalled £133,465. The management committee is committed to increasing the fundraising efforts in these difficult times so that the finances of the Playground are put on a more secure footing and that it can continue operating as a going concern. Although some small progress has been made into acquiring funding, this continues to be a significant issue and priority for us.

Reserves Policy:

It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds in the form of net current assets at a level which the trustees believe appropriate after considering the future commitments of the charity and the likely administrative costs of the charity in the coming year.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors



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Tracy Wauchope
Trustee

Approved by the board on: 21 November 2024

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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We report in respect of my examination of the Playground's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

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17 November 2024

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Total Unrestricted	Total Unrestricted
	Funds 2024	Funds 2023
	£	£
Charitable income	192,920	182,029
Charitable activities	(189,367)	(175,325)
Net income for the year	3,553	6,704
Total net income	3,553	6,704
Other adjustments	-	-
Total income the financial year	3,553	6,704

The income statement includes all gains and losses recognized in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

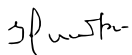
	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	12,899	13,616
Current assets			
Debtors	5	54,000	37,492
Cash at bank and in hand		70,537	88,557
		<u>130,319</u>	<u>126,049</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(9,753)	(9,753)
Net current assets		<u>120,566</u>	<u>116,296</u>
Net assets		<u>133,465</u>	<u>129,912</u>
Income fund			
Unrestricted fund		<u>133,465</u>	<u>129,912</u>
Total funds		<u>133,465</u>	<u>129,912</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The trustees have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A - Small Entities.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 21 November 2024 and were signed on its behalf by



Tracy Wauchope
Trustee

Charity Registration No. 1198333

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

1 Statutory information

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4 Tangible fixed assets

	Land & buildings	Fixtures & fittings	Total
	£	£	£
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At 1 April 2023	256,226	138,853	395,079
At 31 March 2024	256,226	138,853	395,079
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2023	242,610	138,853	381,463
Charge for the year	717	-	717
At 31 March 2024	243,327	138,853	382,180
Net book value			
At 31 March 2024	12,899	-	12,899
At 31 March 2023	13,616	-	13,616

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

5 Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Accrued income and prepayments	5,782	5,782
Other debtors	52,358	31,710
	58,140	37,492
	58,140	37,492

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	9,753	9,753
	9,753	9,753

7 Average number of employees

During the year the average number of employees was 6 (2023: 6).

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Income		
Charitable activities-grants	192,248	181,772
Investments	672	257
	192,920	182,029
Administrative expenses		
Wages and salaries	86,362	119,949
Pensions	3,110	3,462
Social security costs	13,639	10,932
Temporary staff and recruitment	-	2,040
Staff training and welfare	-	620
Premises costs	5,953	5,315
Running costs	77,883	31,109
Depreciation	717	717
Charitable expenditure	1,703	1,181
	189,367	175,325
Net income	3,553	6,704
Total income for the financial year	3,553	6,704

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

England & Wales - Charity number 1198333

Accounts

Charity Registration No. 1198333

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Trustees

Deborah Fiamberti
Orlando Jeffrey
Tracey Wauchope (Chairperson)
Derek Wauchope
Pierre Lansiquot (Treasurer)
Alex Hood
David Werner-Ratkovic
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HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORT

The Management Committee presents their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's constitution, applicable law and the requirements of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102).

Structure, Governance and Management

Hornimans Adventure Playground has existed as a registered charity since 1989. In May 2022 the Trustees made the decision to change from a registered charity to a charitable incorporated organisation CIO and so re-registered as a CIO with the Charity Commission. CIO registration number 1198333.

The Trustees are appointed annually at the Annual General Meeting and serve for one year after which they may put themselves forward for re-appointment if they wish to continue to serve. The constitution provides for a maximum of 15 trustees to form a Management Committee elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. This Committee is responsible to the Annual General Meeting and between General Meetings directs and manages the affairs of Hornimans Adventure Playground and agrees the broad strategy and areas of activity for the playground, including consideration of investments, reserves and risk management policies and performance. The day to day running of Hornimans Adventure Playground is delegated to the Manager and Senior playworker. The Board keeps the skill requirements for the Trustee Body under review. New trustees may be sought by open advertisement or through a dialogue with major grant recipients.

The induction process for any newly appointed trustee comprises an initial meeting with the Chair and Trustees, at which point they will be given an induction pack that includes a brief history of Hornimans Adventure Playground, a copy of the Constitution, and a copy of the Charity Commission's guidance 'The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know'. Newly appointed trustees are expected to familiarize themselves with the playground's Policies and Procedures.

Risk Factors

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Objectives and Activities

The playground is a charity and exists to provide facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupations for children in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. Being the facilities

- a) Of which such children have need by reason of their youth or social and economic circumstances and
- b) Which will improve the conditions of life for such children by promoting physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing and
- c) To provide, maintain and equip a playground offering opportunities for adventure and enterprise and a safe and learning environment for children between the ages of 5 and 16 years. These objectives have not been altered since the association was formed. The custodian trustees are responsible for the conditions set out in the lease with RBKC.

In furtherance of the objects of the Association and without prejudice to the generality thereof, the Committee may:

- a) provide, maintain and equip a playground or playgrounds offering opportunities for adventure and enterprise
- b) assist the provision, maintenance and equipment of such playground(s) as aforesaid and raise money for these purposes
- c) employ staff to assist the Association in managing the play areas established
- d) make and maintain contact with and enlist general support from other persons and organisations who are interested in the design, establishment, development or management of playgrounds.
- e) The policies adopted in furtherance of these objectives form part of the contract between the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Family and Children's Services and Hornimans Adventure Playground and there has been no change in these during the year.

RBKC Grant Commissioning:

Hornimans Adventure Playground is commissioned by the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea to deliver Community Adventure Play. The annual value of the RBKC grant contract during 2022-23 is £96,697.

RBKC are actively encouraging Community Adventure Play organisations to work collaboratively to provide consistent, high quality play provision across the Borough.

Though we are expecting a 10% reduction in the RBKC grant contract, the commitment of the RBKC contract for at least the next 2 years provides us with the foundations on which a sustainability and capacity building programme can be successfully developed and implemented.

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Charitable grants and other income:

We thank the RBKC and various charitable trusts and foundations that made our work possible during 2022-23 due to their kind support and generosity:

RBKC Commissioning £91,697
John Lyon's Charity £25,000 plus £2,500 cost of living top-up
Kensington & Chelsea Foundation £13,500
Betsy Foundation £14,560
Catalyst £2,200
Octavia Foundation £7,977
Sport England Jubilee Fund £7,192
RBKC Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) £11,471

Statement of Public Benefit:

The trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in deciding the activities undertaken by the charity during the year. The trustees are satisfied that the information provided in the report and accounts meets the public benefit reporting requirements.

Achievements and Performance:

Hornimans Adventure Playground continues to provide universal community adventure play for children and young people from 5 to 16 years.

During 2022-2023 Hornimans continued to deliver an all-year-round Community Adventure Play service for children and young people aged 5 – 16 years. The majority of beneficiaries, approximately 80 percent, reside in the Golborne Ward of North Kensington and the surrounding areas of Kensington and Chelsea borough. There were 341 individual users of which 80% are eligible for Free School Meals (Pupil Premium) and/or are living in deprived areas.

We continued to provide free play in our community adventure playground for 39 weeks during the term time (Tuesday – Friday 3.30 – 7pm and Saturdays 11am – 5pm) and 11 weeks of school holidays (Monday – Friday 12 – 6pm).

Partnership activities delivered during 2022-23:

- Felix food project. We continue to provide free food to local families struggling to cope with cost of living.
- Space and referrals for young people to participate in art therapy with the team at Grenfell Health & Wellbeing Support
- Youth Hub extended hours for young people 10+
- Sustainability sessions delivered by the Young K&C Foundation

Projects during 2022-23

- Kitchen Garden sessions run by our dedicated volunteer.
- Cooking & Baking – using vegetables that the children grow themselves in our Grow it Yourself project. Learning about shopping, budgeting, recipes and kitchen skills.
- Be Included Not Excluded (BiNE) for young people at risk of poor educational outcomes
- Goat Care
- Sports Programme
- Holiday programmes including free, healthy meals at every session
- Volunteering
- Training opportunities for local young people, many of who attended Hornimans themselves as children

Adventure Play & Free Play are an important part of adventure play. Although we offer structured, programmed activities we are flexible in our working, and it is a large part of a child's mental health support and development to be able to choose free play. Hornimans is a supportive, playful space where the children are encouraged to be free, share their opinion, play and partake in imaginary child led play. The adventure playground provides a challenging space to let off steam or just hang about with friends, play made up games or transform into whoever you want to be.

Future plans 2023-24:

- To continue to develop an income and fundraising strategy & management plan to diversify income, focusing on long-term sustainability and implement changes where necessary
- Continue to work closely with Young K&C Foundation.
- Ofsted registration.
- Quality in Play
- Project development – Special Educational Needs & Disabilities and work with Girls & Young Women
- To continue to develop the indoor & outdoor play space across the adventure playground and refurbish, replace and upgrade where necessary
- Review our carbon footprint and develop ways of operating that are eco friendly

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We know that Hornimans means a lot to every child that uses the adventure and that the families rely on the space. As the area becomes more built up there are less safe, child orientated spaces to go for their children. We are determined that our work will continue and that the children of this area are our focus and that their lives and happiness are paramount. We are determined to ensure that this playground, which some see as their second home, continues to be a benefit to them.

We are especially grateful to all our dedicated staff at Hornimans for helping to create continuity and stability through challenging times, the many volunteers who give their time and the much needed support from our funders. Without them, the positive work we do would not be possible.

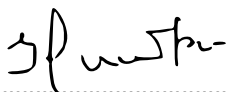
Review of financial position:

The statement of Financial Activities shows a gain for the year of £6,704. At 31st March 2023 free unrestricted reserves totaled £129,912. The management committee is committed to increasing the fundraising efforts in these difficult times so that the finances of the Playground are put on a more secure footing and that it can continue operating as a going concern. Although some small progress has been made into acquiring funding, this continues to be a significant issue and priority for us.

Reserves Policy:

It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds in the form of net current assets at a level which the trustees believe appropriate after considering the future commitments of the charity and the likely administrative costs of the charity in the coming year.

Signed on behalf of the trustees



Tracey Wauchope
Chairperson

17 October 2023

HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT

We report to the Management Committee on our examination of the financial statements of HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND (the Playground) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Management Committee of the Playground you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

We report in respect of my examination of the Playground's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

We understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

We have completed our examination and confirm that no matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Playground as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

We have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

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17 October 2023

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
INCOME STATEMENT
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	Total unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total unrestricted funds 2022 £
Charitable income	182,029	202,092
Charitable activities	(175,325)	(178,533)
Other operating income - Government Covid-19 grants	-	8,000
Net income for the year	6,704	31,559
Total net income	6,704	31,559
Other adjustments	-	-
Total income the financial year	6,704	31,559

The income statement includes all gains and losses recognized in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
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	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	13,616	14,333
Current assets			
Debtors	5	37,492	5,782
Cash at bank and in hand		88,557	117,379
		<u>126,049</u>	<u>123,161</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(9,753)	(14,286)
		<u>116,296</u>	<u>108,875</u>
Net current assets		<u>129,912</u>	<u>123,208</u>
Net assets		<u>129,912</u>	<u>123,208</u>
Income fund			
Unrestricted fund		129,912	123,208
Total funds		<u>129,912</u>	<u>123,208</u>

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Trustee

Charity Registration No. 1198333

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At 31 March 2022	14,333	-	14,333

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5 Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Accrued income and prepayments	5,782	5,782
Other debtors	31,710	-
	37,492	5,782
	37,492	5,782

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	-	4,533
Accruals	9,753	9,753
	9,753	14,286
	9,753	14,286

7 Average number of employees

During the year the average number of employees was 6 (2022: 6).

**HORNIMANS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income		
Charitable activities-grants	181,772	202,080
Investments	257	12
	<u>182,029</u>	<u>202,092</u>
Administrative expenses		
Wages and salaries	119,949	128,559
Pensions	3,462	646
Social security costs	10,932	10,428
Temporary staff and recruitment	2,040	-
Staff training and welfare	620	-
Premises costs	5,315	5,793
Running costs	31,109	32,347
Depreciation	717	-
Charitable expenditure	1,181	760
	<u>175,325</u>	<u>178,533</u>
Other operating income		
Government Covid-19 grants	-	8,000
	<u>6,704</u>	<u>31,559</u>
Net income	<u>6,704</u>	<u>31,559</u>
Total income the financial year	<u><u>6,704</u></u>	<u><u>31,559</u></u>