



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From		1	4	2024	To	31	3 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Monken Hadley Common Trust
Other names charity is known by	N/A
Registered charity number (if any)	1199156
Charity's principal address	23 Tudor Road
	Barnet
	Herts
Postcode	EN5 5NW

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	Andrew Walker	Chair		
2	Barbara Taylor			
3	William Boyes			
4	Roger Headey			
5	John Hall			
6	Robert MacNaughton		23/12/24 – 31/3/25	
7	Leonora Petrou		28/10/24 – 31/3/25	
8	Linden Reilly		28/10/24 – 31/3/25	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	NatWest	120 High Street, Barnet, EN5 5XQ
Investment	Investec (Rathbones)	30 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7QN

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

N/A

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Constitution dated 30 September 2019 Monken Hadley Common Act 2022
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by members of the CIO

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The primary objects of the Trust are:

- (a) the preservation of Monken Hadley Common as a place for peaceful open air public recreation and enjoyment; and
- (b) the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of the Common for the benefit of the public, having regard to the requirements of good forestry and the desirability of conserving flora and fauna.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The primary objects of the Trust are exclusively to provide public benefit through the preservation, conservation and improvement of the Common as a place for public enjoyment. In pursuance of its primary objects, the Trust undertakes the following activities:

1. Own the Common.
2. Manage the Common.
3. Own and manage the other property of the CIO.
4. Promote an awareness and understanding of the responsibilities of the public towards maintaining common lands, open spaces, lakes and footpaths in good order and free of litter and preserving them in the interests of the people of present and succeeding generations.
5. Encourage and support the responsible use of the Common by individuals, community groups and schools.
6. Promote, assist, support or oppose representations to local and county authorities and other public bodies and authorities and government departments in relation to or affecting the objects of the CIO and to hold public or other meetings for any such purposes.
7. Promote research into the natural and cultural history of the Common.
8. Promote the publication of papers, periodicals, books, reports or other documents on subjects which relate to the Common.

The day-to-day upkeep of the Common is undertaken by the appointed Curators and a team of volunteers. Contractors and specialists are engaged when necessary.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Notes to the accounts

The Trustees confirm the following:

- No guarantees have been given by the Trust where any potential liability remains outstanding at the date of the statement of assets and liabilities.
- No debt owed by the Trust is outstanding at the date of the statement of assets and liabilities that is secured by an express charge on the Trust's assets.
- The Trust has not received any significant non-monetary resources, beyond the work of all the volunteers involved.
- There have been no transactions with related parties and trustees, other than the membership subscriptions received from Trustees.
- No remuneration has been paid to any Trustee or related party.
- There were no restricted funds received during the period or held as at the date of the statement of assets and liabilities.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The management and upkeep of the Common has continued throughout the year, with the Curators and volunteers continuing to work diligently for the public benefit.

Significant works have included the installation of new litter bins around the area of Jack's Lake, which were funded by a grant from Barnet Council, partial re-surfacing of the Baker's Hill Car Park, and the installation of further wooden bollards to deter parking on the verges.

The five year Management Plan, presenting a detailed programme for the development and maintenance of the Common for the five years commencing 1 January 2024, remains in place and appropriate, as does the Trust's Risk Register.

Other activity included four classical concerts held by Jack's Lake, sponsored by local businesses and charities, which raised funds for the Trust and for an independent musical charity.

The Trust's website was redeveloped, and now includes functionality to allow for online donations and membership payments.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	<p>The reserves policy sets out that a minimum level to allow financial commitments to be met, typically between £5,000 and £10,000, will be maintained in the current account and surplus funds will be made available for investment.</p> <p>The Treasurer reviews forecast expenditure and any known risks to income and ensures there is an adequate balance of funds available at all times.</p>
Details of any funds materially in deficit	None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.	<p>The Trust receives income from membership subscriptions, rents and granting wayleaves to adjoining property owners for access to the Common, donations and grants, and from its investments.</p> <p>In this period donations were received from the Friends of Hadley Common (as part of the winding up of that predecessor Charity), from the London Borough of Barnet, and from some individuals. Expenditure includes invoices paid to specialist contractors, for forestry, grass-cutting and similar works, and other expenses incurred by the Curators and volunteers.</p> <p>The Trust's investments had a market value of £177,255 as at 31/3/25. The investments are managed by the appointed investment managers, Investec (now Rathbones), as a discretionary managed portfolio with a medium risk profile and the objective to generate a certain level of income and preserve the capital value in real terms. The investment income helps to pay for the upkeep of the Common.</p>
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Section F

Other optional information


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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Andrew Walker	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	13/10/25	



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Monken Hadley Common Trust

1199156

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

01/04/2024

To

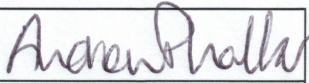
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Membership subscriptions	4,190	-	-	4,190	-
Grants, donations & sponsorship	20,825	-	-	20,825	-
Rents and wayleaves	1,004	-	-	1,004	-
Car parking	2,315	-	-	2,315	-
Investment income	2,295	-	-	2,295	-
Gift Aid	1,898	-	-	1,898	-
Events	4,305	-	-	4,305	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	36,833	-	-	36,833	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sale of investments	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	36,833	-	-	36,833	-
A3 Payments					
Forestry	6,580	-	-	6,580	-
Grass cutting	2,160	-	-	2,160	-
Repairs & equipment	73	-	-	73	-
Volunteer & Curators' expenses	1,024	-	-	1,024	-
Subs and donations	2,867	-	-	2,867	-
Insurance	3,222	-	-	3,222	-
Printing, postage & IT	1,491	-	-	1,491	-
Event costs	4,397	-	-	4,397	-
Meeting & Sundry expenses	100	-	-	100	-
Common major projects	14,388	-	-	14,388	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	36,302	-	-	36,302	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	36,302	-	-	36,302	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	531	-	-	531	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	8,320	-	-	8,320	-
Cash funds this year end	8,851	-	-	8,851	-

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	MHCT main account	8,643	-	-
	MHCT membership account	144	-	-
	MHC old "Common" account	-	-	-
	PayPal account	64	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	8,851	-	-
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Investec portfolio	Unrestricted	-	177,255
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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
			Andrew Walker	30-Jun-25



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	Monken Hadley Common Trust		
On accounts for the year ended	31 March 2025	Charity no (if any)	1199156
Set out on pages	1-2		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

I 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 accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 25 May 2025

Name: Phil Harding

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

FCMA

Address:

Eastcoates, Latimer Road, Barnet EN5 5NF

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

None to disclose