



Friends of Cheam Common Academy

Charity No 1203654

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 August 2024

Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended 31 August 2024

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity name

Friends of Cheam Common Academy

Charity number

1203654

Address

Friends of Cheam Common Academy,
Cheam Common Infants' Academy,
Balmoral Road,
Worcester Park,
KT4 8SS

Current Trustees

Charlene Field	Chair
Veselina Aldred	Secretary
Gemma Crosby	Treasurer

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The charity is an unincorporated charity, registered in England. It was registered on 20 June 2023.

Appointment of trustees

The charity's committee has regular meetings throughout the year to plan activities and monitor progress of its initiatives. Membership of the management committee is open to all parents, guardians and carers of children attending the school. Trustees / members of the committee are elected at the AGM and hold office until the following AGM. The AGM takes place a few weeks after the start of the school year (in late September or early October). There must be a minimum of two trustees.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable purposes

To advance the education of pupils in the school by:

- developing effective relationships between the staff, parents / carers and others associated with the school;
- engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the schools and advance the education of the pupils.

Activities

The charity supports Cheam Common Infants' Academy (CCI) and Cheam Common Junior Academy (CCJ) through organising fund-raising events which serve multiple purposes: raising money to allow the schools to purchase necessary resources and equipment, increasing the engagement of all stakeholders to help improve the communication between the school and parents/carers in order to lead to better outcomes for the children, and providing fun activities for the students.

Achievements and Performance

During the 2023/2024 school year, across the various events the charity hosted, it generated an income of just over £55,834. The funds raised were allocated to a number of exciting projects for the schools.

Among other things, the charity helped the schools to procure:

- sensory equipment in the CCI playground
- pavilion in the CCI playground
- large reading shed, with soft furnishings - cushions and tiles for CCI
- painted rainbow in front of pavilion in the CCI playground
- picnic benches for CCJ playground
- year 6 wild garden items (bamboo fencing and plants, solar powered fountain) for CCJ
- wetland plants for pond
- reading shed and book rack in the CCJ playground

The charity also supported the school through hosting and providing volunteers for a number of events, to offer opportunities to the parents and teachers of the school to come together, or as fund-raising events. Some examples of these included:

- a coffee morning;
- support on sports days;
- a general knowledge quiz evening;
- a salsa night;
- a summer fair.

Financial review

Our main source of funding is donations received from parents at the schools or from the local community. Our fundraising efforts this year have concentrated on the purchase of the items listed above, as well as fundraising for the largest project the Friends of Cheam Common has worked on, namely the resurfacing and refencing of the Multi Use Game Area (MUGA) at Cheam Common Junior Academy (CCJ). Due to the scale of the project, the Trustees applied for a variety of grants from the wider community, and engaged even more closely with parents within the school to identify alternative sources of funding, rather than rely solely on donations received in the course of the usual activities hosted by the charity. We are pleased to report that this resulted in the receipt of a grant of £2,000 and corporate match-funding amounting to nearly £19,000. The project is expected to complete in 2025.

The accounts for Friends of Cheam Common Academy are prepared on a receipts and payments basis. The total fundraising income for the year is £55,834, costs amount to £18,682 resulting in a net surplus for the year of £37,152. The cash position at the end of the financial year was a healthy balance of £69,319. As noted above, a significant proportion of this has been ringfenced towards the completion of the MUGA renovation in the 2024/2025 academic year.

Reserves policy

The Trustees discuss the year's planning at the AGM and liaise with the schools throughout the year to discuss what items and projects they would like us to support them with. These requests are reviewed on a case by case basis. This is to ensure that donations made from the charity to the schools meet the threshold for providing a benefit to the majority of the school. It is also so that we can control what expenditure the charity is committing to. As we do not have access to credit facilities, it is key for the Trustees to ensure that any expenditure commitment can be met by existing cash assets. This is reviewed on an ongoing basis throughout the year so it can be adjusted according to the fundraising income the charity receives.

Plans for future period

The trustees intend to continue supporting the schools with the purchase of key equipment. For the academic year 2024/2025, we will support the schools with the renovation of the MUGA as well as the procurement of table tennis tables for the outdoor playground, Rekenrek beads for maths, outdoor grass blocks for the infant school and contributing towards improvements of the infants' playground, among other projects, to be identified with the senior leadership team throughout the year.

Reviewed and signed by:

Name: GEMMA CROSBY

Signature: G Crosby

Date: 11.06.2025

Position: TREASURER

Name: VESELINA ALDRED

Signature: V Aldred

Date: 11.06.2025

Position: SECRETARY

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

1st September
2023

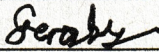
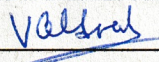
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31st August 2024

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					
Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	£20,827.71	-	-	20,828	-
Fundraising Income	£34,325.47	-	-	34,325	-
Uniform Sales	£680.56	-	-	681	-
Bank Interest	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	55,834	-	-	55,834	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	55,834	-	-	55,834	-
A3 Payments					
Fundraising Cost	£9,007.82	-	-	9,008	-
Donations to Cheam Common	£9,222.41	-	-	9,222	-
Operating, general and administrative expenses	£293.15	-	-	293	-
Donations to other Charities	£158.18	-	-	158	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	18,682	-	-	18,682	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	18,682	-	-	18,682	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	37,152	-	-	37,152	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	32,167	-	-	32,167	-
Cash funds this year end	69,319	-	-	69,319	-

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	Opening Cash at Bank and in hand	32,167	-	-
		37,152	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	69,319	-	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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
		GEMMA CROSBY	11.06.2025	
		VESELINA ALDRED	11.06.2025	



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees/ members of

Friends of Cheam Common Academy

Charity no

1203654

On accounts for the year ended

31st August 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 08 / 2024**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:

Name: Mark Bell of Bell Finance Solutions Limited

Date:

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any) : ICAEW Membership 9287000

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