

FRIENDS OF KINSBOURNE GREEN COMMON

England & Wales · Charity number 1205591

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-11-06

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

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Activities

Objects: 1. TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THE CONSERVATION PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT OF KINSBOURNE GREEN COMMON BY PROMOTING BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY. 2. TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£3,280	£14,607	-	-
2024-06-30	£218,388	£167,872	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Sue Archer MRICS	Chair	2023-10-09
Heather Erica Szotkowski Bayne		2024-11-20
Nicola Jayne Robinson		2024-11-20
Rachel Fraser		2023-10-09
Rachel Lee		2023-10-09

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Friends of Kinsbourne Green Common

Annual report for period ended 30 June 2025

Charity number: 1205591

Company number: CE034197

Friends of Kinsbourne Green Common ("the Charity")

Annual Report for the period ending 30 June 2025

The Trustees of the Charity present its Annual Report

Reference and Administration Information

Charity Name: Friends of Kinsbourne Green Common

Structure: The Charity is set up and managed as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). It was constituted on 6 November 2023, under the Foundation model, with a principal office in England. The Constitution document sets out the details of the Charity.

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Company number: CE034197

Registered Address: 2 Beech Ridge, Kinsbourne Green Lane, Kinsbourne Green, Harpenden, Herts, AL5 3NJ

Trustees:

Mrs S Archer Chair

Mrs H Bayne, wef 20/11/24

Mrs R Fraser

Mrs R Lee

Mrs N Robinson, wef 20/11/24

Mrs K Sheffield, resigned wef 20/11/24

Mr T Wright

The above trustees are volunteers from the local community, with a common interest in securing Kinsbourne Green Common for the future.

Over the year, one Trustee resigned and two new trustees were appointed, following a request for interest and an appointment process in line with the Constitution of the Charity. The appointment of future Trustees is set out within the Constitution.

Secretary: M Whitehead

Bankers: Co-Op Bank

Objects: The objects of the Charity set out in the Constitution are:

- (i) To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of Kinsbourne Green Common by promoting biological diversity.

(ii) To provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.

Objectives, activities and achievements over the period:

The key objectives over the period were to:

- (i) Evolve and monitor a plan to manage on an ongoing basis the Common in accordance with the Objects of the Charity
- (ii) Maintain a sound financial position

The Trustees actively achieved these objectives over the period.

In doing so, the Trustees continue to secure the future of the Common for the benefit of the local community and wider public, maintain and enhance its environmental health and diversity, and maintain a much loved recreational space.

This financial year was the first full 12 months of operation for the charity, having completed on the purchase of the land in February 2024. This made it an exceptional year for operations and spending as we took stock of the state of the land, surveyed flora, fauna and trees and erected signage that named the charity as the owner.

Key activities and spend included:

- Tree survey and subsequent tree surgery - £8365
- Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust - flora and fauna survey - £2351
- Insurance - £1206
- Information board - £1055

We do not anticipate that future years will incur the same level of spend, as much of these were one-off events. In carrying out these activities, the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Financial Review

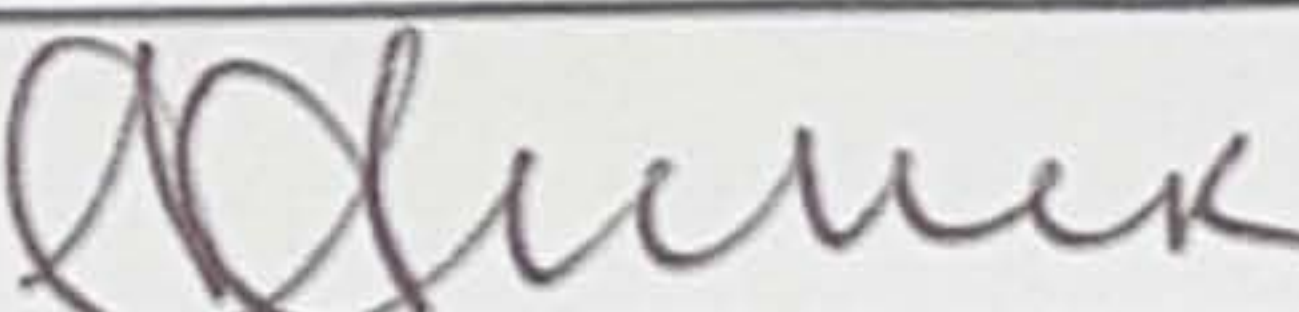
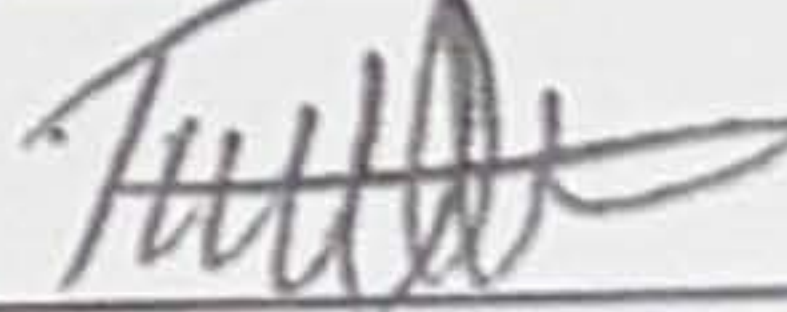
At the end of the period (30 June 2025), in holding reserves of over £39,000 the trustees believed that they had sufficient reserves to maintain the Common for the time being. Ideally the Trustees would wish to hold reserves sufficient to maintain the Common for at least three years. As such, at the end of the period, the Trustees had no concerns about the charity ceasing to be a going concern.

Over the period, the Trustees received approximately £3,000 in grants and donations.

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	SUSAN LUCY ARCHER	TIMOTHY JOHN WRIGHT
Position	Chair	Trustee

Date 12/10/25



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Friends of Kinsbourne Green Common

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

1/7/2024

To

30/6/2025

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					
Organisations Donations & Grants	3,280	-	-	3,280	-
Interests	411	-	-	411	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,691	-	-	3,691	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,691	-	-	3,691	-
A3 Payments					
Platform fees	42	-	-	42	-
Insurance	1,206	-	-	1,206	-
Tree management	8,365	-	-	8,365	-
Misc expenses	1,924	-	-	1,924	-

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Accounting costs	720	-	-	720	-
Land Management	2,351	-	-	2,351	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	14,608	-	-	14,608	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	14,608	-	-	14,608	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 10,917	-	-	- 10,917	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 10,917	-	-	- 10,917	-

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	trustee current account	316	-	-
	Trustee savings account	19,271	-	-
	Fundsmith units	20,005	-	-
	Total cash funds	39,592	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

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	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-

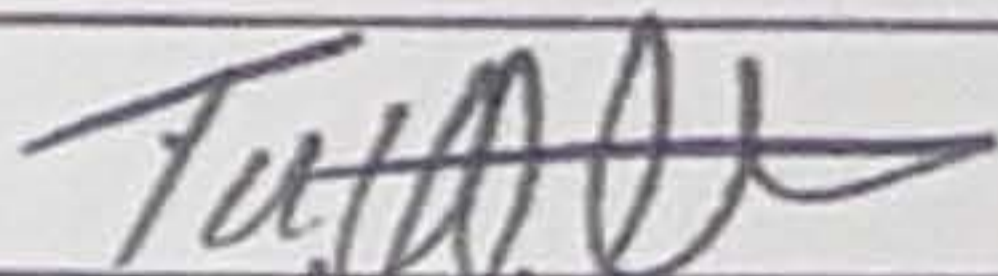
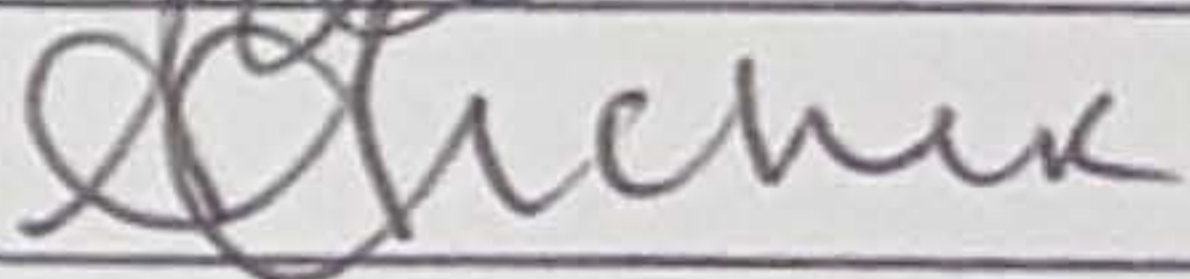
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B5 Liabilities

		-	-
		-	-

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
	TIMOTHY JOHN WRIGHT	12/10/25
	SUSAN LUCY ARCHER	12/10/25

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Mr T Wright

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Independent Examiner: Howard Ashmore, Godfrey Laws & Co, 65 Knowl Piece, Hitchin, Herts SG4 0TY

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Objectives, activities and achievements over the period:

The key objectives over the period were to:

- (i) Set up the Charity
- (ii) Raise sufficient funds to purchase and maintain Kinsbourne Green Common
- (iii) Purchase Kinsbourne Green Common from the previous owners
- (iv) Initiate the creation of a plan to manage on an ongoing basis the Common in accordance with the Objects of the Charity

The Trustees actively achieved all of these objectives over the period.

In doing so, the Trustees have secured the future of the Common for the benefit of the local community and wider public, to maintain and enhance its environmental health and diversity, and maintain a much loved recreational space.

In carrying out these activities, the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Financial Review

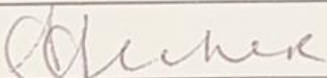
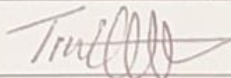
At the end of the period, in holding reserves of £50,516 the trustees believed that they had sufficient reserves to maintain the Common for the time being. Ideally the Trustees would wish to hold reserves sufficient to maintain the Common for at least three years. As such, at the end of the period, the Trustees had no concerns about the charity ceasing to be a going concern.

Over the period, the Trustees raised approximately £200,000 through donations from local residents, including Gift Aid, and also from local organisations.

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	S L ARCHER	TIMOTHY JOHN WRIGHT
Position	Chair	Trustee

Date 28/11/2024



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

01/07/2023

To

30/06/2024

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					
Personal Donations via platform	124,830	-	-	124,830	-
Personal Donations paid directly	27,350	-	-	27,350	-
Gift Aid	28,010	-	-	28,010	-
Organisation donations & grants	22,076	-	-	22,076	-
Interest on savings account	122	-	-	122	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross Income for AR)	202,388	-	-	202,388	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Loans received from Trustee	16,000	-	-	16,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	16,000	-	-	16,000	-
Total receipts	218,388	-	-	218,388	-
A3 Payments					
Fundraising platform fees	336	-	-	336	-
Insurance	1,254	-	-	1,254	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,590	-	-	1,590	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Purchase of land	150,282	-	-	150,282	-
Loan repaid to Trustee	16,000	-	-	16,000	-
Sub total	166,282	-	-	166,282	-
Total payments	167,872	-	-	167,872	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	50,516	-	-	50,516	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	50,516	-	-	50,516	-

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	Trustee current account	2,413	-	-
	Trustee savings account	28,098	-	-
	Fundsmith units	20,005	-	-
	Total cash funds	50,516	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

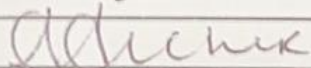
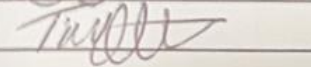
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		-	-	-
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B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Kinsbourne Green Common	150,000	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	S L ARCHER	28/11/2024
	T J WRIGHT	28/11/2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Friends of Kinsbourne Green Common

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30th June 2024 which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

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').

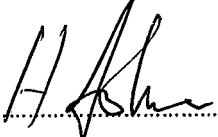
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 charity 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: 

Howard Ashmore FCA

Godfrey Laws & Co Limited

65 Knowl Piece, Wilbury Way

Hitchin SG4 0TY

Date: 2 December 2024