

SHAP ALLOTMENTS

England & Wales · Charity number 1205962

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-11-29

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

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Activities

Objects: 1. TO FURTHER OR BENEFIT THE RESIDENTS OF CUMBRIA WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF GENDER, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY PROVIDING ALLOTMENT FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS. 2. THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION RELATING TO HORTICULTURE AND THE MANAGEMENT OF ALLOTMENTS VIA THE PROVISION OF: A. ADVICE, LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS, AND;B. VISITS TO THE ALLOTMENT FOR SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS SO THAT THEY CAN LEARN TO GROW VEGETABLES AND FRUIT.

Activities: Allotment Society

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Cumbria

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-10-31		£818	£1,189	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DR EVE BORRINO		2023-11-29
George Payne		2024-10-31
Susan Dawson		2024-10-31
Victoria Stevenson		2024-10-31
William Dawson		2023-11-29

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Accounts

Shap Community CIO
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Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

Review of the year

The society was formally registered as the charity “Shap Allotment Society” on 29 November 2023, following four years of successful operation. The Society holds a lease on the allotment grounds until 14th November 2029. The primary aim of the Society is to promote the interests of members in their gardening activities, with regard to the proper cultivation and enjoyment of the allotments.

Following demand for plots, additional spaces have been added and there are now 26 plots on the site. Membership has fluctuated over the period, but most plots are actively managed and productive. Plot holders have continued to develop their facilities on what was, just a few years ago, a simple field.

The Society has established routines of maintenance, management and seed ordering, and has held occasional social events. There are several ideas under development to increase our profile in the community, to draw in new members, and to assist those who are new to allotmenting.

I wish to express my appreciation to all those who have helped to grow the society, and who continue to contribute towards its success; to Sandy and Vera Carr, who have generously made the land available to us; to Vera Turnbull, whose vision enabled the formation of the allotments; to the Trustees, who put in great effort to ensure the smooth running of the allotments, and especially Billy Dawson, who works tirelessly to maintain the site; and not least, to our community of allotment holders – helpful, friendly and enthusiastic, a great bunch of people.

George Payne
George Payne (Chair)

Office Bearers

At the Annual General Meeting on 31 October 2024, the following changes in Trustees and officers were approved by the members.

Resigned
Vera Turnbull (Chair)
Ian Turnbull
Bev Gee

Appointed
George Payne (Chair)
Victoria Stevenson
Sue Dawson
Liz Kerrey (Secretary)

Reappointed
Billy Dawson
Eve Burrino (Treasurer)

Treasurer's report

The charity received income of £818 in the year ended 31 October 2024 and incurred expenditure of £1,189, ending the year with a bank balance of £154. The shortfall of income against expenditure results from timing differences and the Society currently generates sufficient funds on an ongoing basis to meet its commitments.

At the Annual General Meeting on 31 October 2024 it was agreed to bring forward the due date for payment of membership fees for the following year to 30 September, to better match incomings and outgoings, and to enable the Society to improve its forecasting of cash flow.

The Society reviews its income and commitments on an annual basis to ensure that membership fees are sufficient to cover its outgoings. The most significant risk facing the Society is that vacant plots may result in a shortfall in income against expenditure. To this end, the Trustees are actively seeking ways to encourage membership and aiming to establish a waiting list to ensure full occupation. As part of the risk management process, the Society is currently in the process of establishing a Reserves Policy to ensure it maintains sufficient liquid resources.

Grounds and maintenance

As noted, thanks to the efforts of Billy Dawson, the area surrounding the allotments has been maintained in good order. Allotment holders are encouraged to ensure the borders of their allotments and the spaces in between allotments are kept trimmed and tidy.

Future Developments

The Trustees continue to seek ways to ensure all allotment holders are actively engaged with the Society and that allotments are actively managed,



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/11/2023	To	Period end date 31/10/2024
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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					
Plot fees	543	-	-	543	-
Donation from fundraising events	71	-	-	71	-
Other	204	-	-	204	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	818	-	-	818	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	818	-	-	818	-
A3 Payments					
Insurance	223	-	-	223	-
Seed order	256	-	-	256	-
Site rental	280	-	-	280	-
Allotment Society Membership	90	-	-	90	-
Bank charges	80	-	-	80	-
Other	260	-	-	260	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,189	-	-	1,189	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,189	-	-	1,189	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 371	-	-	- 371	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	525	-	-	525	-
Cash funds this year end	154	-	-	154	-

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	Cash at bank	154	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	154	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	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
<i>George Payne</i>	George Payne	31/08/2025
<i>Eve Borrino</i>	Eve Borrino	31/08/2025