



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From** 1 January 2021  
**December 2021**

**Period start date To 31**  
**Period end date**

**Charity name: West Hill Community Association**

**Charity registration number: 276387**

## **Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>2.1 To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the area bounded by the east side of Dyke Road from the clock tower to the Seven Dials, Chatham Place, Howard Place, Terminus road and the west side of Queen's Road to the clock tower (herein after called 'the area of benefit') without distinction of sex or political, religious or other opinions, by associating the local authorities, voluntary organisations and inhabitants, in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.</p> <p>2.2 To establish or to secure the establishment of a Community Centre (hereinafter called 'the Centre') and to maintain and manage, or to co-operate with any local statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a Centre, for activities promoted by the Association and constituent bodies in furtherance of the above Objectives.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Manage West Hill Hall ('the Centre'), to provide a venue for community activities.</p> <p>Publish a community newspaper, The Whistler, online and in print with news and views about West Hill, Seven Dials and Brighton in general.</p>

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	WHCA Trustees confirm that we do consider the public benefit in our purpose and activities.
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### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## **Achievements and Performance**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	WHCA provides space for community activities by managing and maintaining West Hill Hall. We have regular hirers who provide a variety of fitness sessions including yoga, Pilates and Pilates for those with MS. We provide subsidised space to vulnerable adults who attend sessions organised by other charitable organisations; and exercise to music for the elderly. We also hire the Hall out for singing, fencing, creative writing sessions and theatre training. Every month WHCA organises a community quiz to which all residents are welcome and this provides a safe space for meeting new people. WHCA organises a family-friendly Christmas social which brings together many members of the community.

		<p>In line with our purpose to ‘advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreation’ we organise local history talks to which all residents are welcome.</p> <p>We publish The Whistler newspaper, a free community paper which is delivered to all the residents and businesses in the area of benefit.</p> <p>Where prior bookings allow, we provide free space for public meetings of pressing interest.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Income: £37526 (hire fees; paid adverts in The Whistler; WHCA events income and government grants and donations.  Expenditure: £10088
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We maintain reserves to allow us to maintain and repair the building (particularly the roof) when required and to cover any loss of income due to circumstances beyond our control (e.g. having to shut the Hall in the face of a pandemic).
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£50000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Election to post at AGM and/or co-option by existing Trustees.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	West Hill Community Association
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	276387

Charity's principal address	West Hill Hall Compton Avenue Brighton BN1 3PS

## 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	Clare Cochrane	Secretary		
2	Vinod Mashru			
3	Wendy McAngus			
4	Chris Parker	Treasurer		
5	Carol Simmons			
6	John Stokdyk			
7	Sarah Taylor	Chair		
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## Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

## Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Chris Parker		
Vinod Mashru		
Sarah Taylor		

Clare Cochrane		



## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

**Signature(s)**

Chris Parker

**Full name(s)**

Christopher Geoffrey Parker

**Position (eg  
Secretary, Chair, etc)**

Treasurer

**Date**

25 July 2022