

Charity Registration No. 296921

Company Registration No. 2134343 (England and Wales)

**MEANWHILE GARDENS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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Report of the Management Committee

The Management Committee presents its report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Reference and administrative information

Charity Name: Meanwhile Gardens Community Association

Charity Registration Number: 296921

Company Registration number: 2134343

Registered Office and operational address:
156-158 Kensal Road
London
W10 5BN

Members of the Management Committee

Alex Bowling
Tony Curzon-Price (Chair)
Susie Gretz
Julie Jones
Gary Lohan (Hon. Treasurer)
Dez O'Neill
Kristian Parker
Rose Peel (Co-Vice Chair)
Simon Ryder (Co-Vice Chair)

Senior Management Team: Project Manager: Chandrika Dalpat

Auditors GMAK Services Ltd
Flat 1, 26 Lansdowne Road
London
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Bankers Royal Bank of Scotland

Structure Governance and Management

Governing document

Meanwhile Gardens Community Association is a charitable company limited by guarantee incorporated on 22nd May 1987 and is registered with the Charity Commissioners. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which establishes the objects and powers of the company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.00.

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are known as members of the Management Committee. Under the Articles of Association, the members of the Management Committee are elected from the members of the Association at the AGM to serve for a period of one year but may stand for re-election. The Management Committee may consist of a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 30 members, of whom no more than one third may be co-opted.

MGCA actively seeks to recruit Management Committee members from the local community and from users of its services, aiming to maintain a pool of varied skills and experience.

Committee Induction and Training

A pack of information for new committee members currently exists and is being revised and updated to reflect current legislation and good practice.

All committee members are actively encouraged to take up training opportunities that will support them in their role. MGCA aims to hold regular strategic planning events at which all the committee members gather to consider the aims and objectives of the organisation and to review forward plans.

Risk Management

The Management Committee aims to conduct a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure systems are established to mitigate those risks. These procedures are then periodically reviewed to ensure they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

Significant external risks to funding and the need to respond to the changing needs of our local community mean that it is necessary to review and potentially diversify activities. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure regular review of health and safety considerations; this is a mandatory item on every Management Committee meeting agenda.

Organisational Structure

MGCA is governed by a voluntary management committee that includes local residents, users of Meanwhile Gardens as well as representatives from other local organisations. The Committee aims to increase its pool of varied skills and experience to respond to the changing needs of the organisation, be reflective of the local area and ensure MGCA is operating under current legislation and good practice.

There is currently one main Committee that meets every 8 weeks. The Committee oversee financial and strategic developments and are kept updated on our service delivery. As and when needed, sub committees may be formed to oversee various specific developments.

The Project Manager is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and that key performance indicators are met. The Project Manager is also responsible for the day-to-day operational management of the Gardens and supervision of the rest of the staff team.

Objectives and Activities

The charity has defined a mission statement as follows:

***“Meanwhile Gardens is an inspiring green space
at the heart of our inner city community”.***

The charity aims to enhance the lives of residents in North Kensington and North Westminster by providing open air, leisure, play, training and educational opportunities in our four-acre community park. MGCA seeks to work in accordance with sound environmental principles and in partnership with the local community.

To achieve these aims, the charity operates a number of projects, in particular:

- The management and maintenance of **a four-acre community park** (“the Gardens”), including a free **skate park** facility.
- **A Stay and Play Centre - “The Playhut”** - for parents and carers with children up to their sixth birthday.
- A range of **volunteering, educational and training opportunities** supported by our qualified and experienced staff.
- A programme of **community festivals**, including activities and entertainment at the annual Notting Hill Carnival.

Achievements and Performance

Whilst Meanwhile Gardens started out as a temporary community project back in 1976, the organisation is now firmly established as a much loved, local community green space. With a unique history that started with a vision of a local man, Jamie McCullough, who gained support from the community, the local authority, and local businesses, a derelict stretch of land began a great transformation.

MGCA is delighted to report that in 2018 we were awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, (QAVS), this is the highest award given to UK volunteer groups. The QAVS is equivalent to the MBE and recognises exceptional work done by volunteer groups in their communities.

Community Involvement

MGCA actively encourages local residents to be involved in the maintenance, development and management of the green space and welcomes new volunteers on a regular basis. Local people gain a wealth of skills and experience in horticulture through volunteering with Meanwhile Gardens. Volunteering is also a great way to meet other people, connect with the local area and helps to reduce feelings of isolation and loneliness.

Volunteering at Meanwhile Gardens also provides opportunities to be more physically active and improve one's health in supportive sessions lead by our staff team.

Sadly, due to the Covid 19 pandemic we had to halt all our activities that brought people together. Therefore, our inclusive volunteering programme did not run for much of the year. We also stopped all our regular supported gardening sessions and urged all our volunteers and group members to stay at home and keep safe.

Our small staff team kept in touch with our volunteer team and group members through welfare calls during the lockdown periods and we were delighted to see some of them take their daily exercise at Meanwhile Gardens.

The Gardens saw a huge increase in visitors during the year in particular during the lockdown periods. With the weather being so good during much of 2020-21, starting off with an amazingly warm spring, many local people utilised the Gardens for their daily physical exercise. People told our staff over and over again how much they appreciated the Gardens and how much they benefitted from being in regular contact with the natural environment.

Whilst our small staff team continued to maintain the site, we very soon saw a huge rise in the volume of litter being left in the Gardens. We swiftly put up notices to ask people to take their litter home and increased our regular collection of general waste and recycling to ensure a welcoming green space for all the community to enjoy. Sadly, we also had an increase in vandalism and anti-social behaviour during the year. Again, the staff team put measures in place to reduce further problems.

Partnerships & Collaborations

MGCA works in partnerships with other local organisations and embraces new opportunities to increase community involvement.

During this extraordinary year, we were delighted to be contacted by the Natural History Museum who reached out to explore ways of collaborating. We ran an initiative as part of their "Urban Nature Project" to send 200 local family, the majority from our Playhut membership, a box of educational nature craft activities for parents and carers to do with their young children.

We were so proud that the museum also adopted our children's book "Jamie's Dream" as part of our collaboration and 200 copies were printed to add to the box. Families were so grateful for the box and reported that it helped them get out into nature based settings including Meanwhile Gardens after months of being in lockdown.

Our well-established partnership projects include:-

- The Meanwhile Wildlife Garden Project. Since 1994, Kensington & Chelsea MIND have been located on the Gardens running a horticultural training and social enterprise programme with opportunities to help recovery for local adults who have long term mental health needs.

- The Floating Classroom, a local educational charity, has been bringing visiting school groups into the Gardens since 2012 through their Garden Classroom and other environment projects. We welcomed the Floating Classroom back once restrictions were eased and they utilised the Gardens for a few outdoor educational sessions for a local community group.
- Usually a number of local schools also visits the Gardens independently, carrying out a range of activities as part of their environmental studies including mini beast hunting, pond dipping, plant identification and even outdoor fitness. However, sadly for much of the year there was a noticeable lack of children from schools visiting.
- We continued our partnership project "Meanwhile Gardens Young Environmentalist" with Ark Brunel Primary Academy and ran the last term through a programme of activities for the children to complete at home. We also gave the school activity kits including seeds and growing items for the children of key workers that were continuing to go into school and our adapted programme of activities was delivered to the school for the children that were attending our educational sessions prior to the pandemic.
- The old factory building located at one end of the Gardens continues to provide a meeting and rehearsal space for our resident steel band, the Metronomes Steel Band Orchestra. This arrangement has been on-going for over three decades. The Metronomes are a thriving, inspiring community band and one of the UK's leading steel bands. During the year, the band also ran on-line sessions including performance and storytelling.

Our Projects, Events & Activities

- Our Eco Therapy Project which involves light gardening sessions were also halted for the best part of the year but when the government guidelines allowed we welcomed our members back and everyone fully embraced the opportunities to work on the Gardens and reconnect with gardening friends and the Meanwhile staff team. This project provides a great way to learn about "Life In The Garden" in a supportive, friendly environment, keep active and meet other local people with similar interests.

Sadly, our partnership project with The Forced Migration Trauma Service (Central & North West London NHS Foundation Trust) did not run at all through this year. The members are highly vulnerable individuals with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). They come from war zones such as Syria, Iraq and Somalia and are supported by a Clinical Psychologist and members of their team.

Our staff team, with the NHS team based at Woodfield Road, had organised and run activities for the sessions since October 2014. Activities included light gardening and nature crafts and art during inclement weather. We very much hope to resume this partnership in the future.

As part of this project, we ran a few outside events during the year that enabled us to keep in touch with local supporters and friends such as a few plant sales and at Christmas, we sold our own wreath-making kits, which were very popular.

- We cancelled our corporate volunteering programme during the year which was a real shame as many teams have enjoyed "team building or challenge days" over the years. We hope to resume these opportunities in the near future.
- Our largest event of the year, the highly popular "Carnival Oasis" two-day event as part of the Notting Hill Carnival was also cancelled due to the pandemic. In previous years, our activities have attracted many parents and carers with young children, as we are known locally for providing a safe haven from the busy overcrowded streets during what is Europe's largest street festival with over a million visitors.
- We kept in contact with many of our skater friends. They told us how our open access skate park was their "mental oasis" during the pandemic. Some skaters have helped us to keep the bowls maintained. They also report issues of concern to our office, which is incredibly helpful.

The Playhut

Set within the Gardens is the Playhut, a Stay & Play community facility that specifically works with disadvantaged and isolated families, bringing them together to engage in social, learning and cultural activities. We have a strong track record of working with families, in particular of providing parenting support and advice to those with children up to their sixth birthday. We welcome all families and receive referrals from social services and other agencies working with identified children in need of support.

Our small staff team at the Playhut provide a safe and stimulating play and learning environment where children's emotional, physical and cognitive needs can be developed through play. The team also facilitate social contact between parents and carers, as well as sign post users on to various support agencies. Our early years setting is a popular community centre for bringing families together and preparing young children for starting school.

Sadly we closed our Playhut in mid March 2020 in line with government guidelines and soon adopted an online programme of activities for families to join. Some activities were specifically for children and others supported parents and carers, all the while our Playhut Manager kept in touch with the local children's centre, referring families in need of early intervention support. We also sent out regular emails keeping families informed of local help and services such as food banks, financial support and other online initiatives that they could access.

When we re-opened in the summer, a booking system was implemented to ensure we limited the numbers of families visiting at one time, we ran our sessions outside only for months, and we adopted a Covid safe regime to keep everyone as safe as possible whilst visiting our Playhut facility. Our large outdoor space was invaluable, as many families attending our stay and play facility do not have a garden of their own. We increased our focus on nature exploration activities and everyone embraced it.

We also secured new funding for new sessions and also to enable essential health and safety works to be carried out to our Playhut building. This included the installation of a new boiler, newly donated flooring was professionally laid and the internal building was also painted to a high standard. When we re-opened the inside facility we were impressively smart!

New Developments

Further to the success of the “Grow Meanwhile” campaign, members of our Management Committee worked to help form a new local body called CoMMET – “Council of Meanwhile, Metronomes, Edenham & Trellick”. CoMMET main focus was to enable local residents associations and community groups to have a direct voice in the boroughs plans for a new housing development at the base of Trellick Tower.

For more information visit www.commet.org.uk

Meanwhile Gardens also started pulling together ideas for the future potential of the old Factory Building to become a community-driven asset, and a firm base for a range of inclusive projects.

Financial Review

The Association showed a surplus on unrestricted funds for the year of £3,626. At 31 March 2021 there were free reserves carried forward not tied up in fixed assets of £23,102 and restricted revenue funds of £27,458. The remaining restricted funds in the balance sheet of £26,239 comprise the net book value of the Playhut and equipment.

Reserves Policy

The Management Committee reviews the reserves policy on an annual basis and are committed to maintaining the reserves at the level recommended by the Charity Commission of between 3 and 6 months running costs. For 2021/22 this amounts to between £43,000 and £86,000. The current unrestricted funds of £23,102 fall outside this range.

Principle Funders

MGCA continues to fundraise to support both ongoing overheads and new capital developments during this year. We continue to be supported by a range of grant giving bodies, particularly The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea.

Plans for the Future

Other strategic priorities include:-

- Securing a long lease on the Gardens including the Factory Site.
- Securing ongoing funding to manage and maintain the Gardens with greater community and volunteer involvement. In particular, we are seeking to increase core funding to enhance our staffing capacity.
- Increasing volunteering and training opportunities.
- Developing the services for young children offered from the Playhut. We aim to provide more opportunities for both children and their carers.
- Maximising community use and enjoyment of the Gardens with the development of new community initiatives, including wider inclusion of marginalised groups.
- Large scale capital programme to renovate our four acre community garden including the skate park.

Responsibilities of the Management Committee

Company law requires the Management Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and accurate view of the state of affairs of the charitable

company as at the balance sheet date, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Management Committee follows best practice and aims to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- Prepare financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume the company will continue on that basis.

The Management Committee is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The Management Committee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Members of the Management Committee

Members of the management committee are the directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law; those who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Meanwhile Gardens Community Association's charitable purpose is to enhance the lives of local residents by providing leisure and educational opportunities in its community park.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) and the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small entities.

Approved by the management committee on the 1st of December 2021 and signed on its behalf by:


Simon Ryder
- Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF MEANWHILE GARDENS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 10 to 21.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees, who are also the directors of Meanwhile Gardens Community Association for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011, the 2011 Act, and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities;have not been met; or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Dated: 22 Dec. 2021

MEANWHILE GARDENS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Endowment funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and grants	3	67,727	-	67,727	66,794	-	66,794
Income received in furtherance of charitable activities	4	4,685	94,246	98,931	32,281	90,073	122,354
Investments	5	17	-	17	44	-	44
Other income	6	25,386	-	25,386	-	-	-
Total income		97,815	94,246	192,061	99,119	90,073	189,192
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	7	74,050	121,860	195,910	123,386	86,777	210,163
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		23,765	(27,614)	(3,849)	-	3,296	(20,971)
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		23,765	(27,614)	(3,849)	(24,267)	3,296	(20,971)
Gross transfers between funds		(20,139)	20,139	-	20,000	(20,000)	-
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		3,626	(7,475)	(3,849)	(4,267)	3,296	(20,971)
Fund balances at 1 April 2020		19,476	61,172	80,648	23,744	20,000	101,620
Fund balances at 31 March 2021		23,102	53,697	76,799	19,477	61,172	80,649

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	12		26,239		31,239
Current assets					
Debtors	13	5,996		34,419	
Cash at bank and in hand		61,871		33,552	
		<u>67,867</u>		<u>67,971</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>(17,307)</u>		<u>(18,559)</u>	
Net current assets			50,560		49,410
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>76,799</u>		<u>80,649</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds	16		53,697		61,172
Unrestricted funds			23,102		19,477
			<u>76,799</u>		<u>80,649</u>

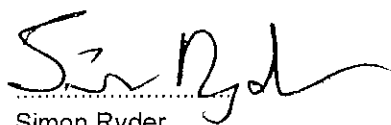
The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 1.12.2021


Simon Ryder
Trustee

Company Registration No. 2134343

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Meanwhile Gardens Community Association is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 156-158 Kensal Road, London W10 5BN.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Unrestricted funds consist of donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Assets with a cost of £1,000 or more are capitalised. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Playhut	23 1/2 years over remainder of lease
Skatebowl and Gardens	10% pa straight line
Playgrounds	Enter depreciation rate via StatDB - cd76
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	25% pa straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1.12 Volunteers

No monetary value has been placed on the services of volunteers.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

3 Donations and grants

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations and gifts	2,702	3,044
RBK&C	65,025	63,750
	<u>67,727</u>	<u>66,794</u>

4 Income received in furtherance of charitable activities

	Fundraising 2021	Fundraising 2020
	£	£
Sales within charitable activities	4,685	32,281
Performance related grants	94,246	90,073
	<u>98,931</u>	<u>122,354</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	4,685	32,281
Restricted funds	94,246	90,073
	<u>98,931</u>	<u>122,354</u>
Performance related grants		
The Octavia Foundation	-	4,928
The Emergence Foundation	-	5,978
RBK&C Family & Children's Services	15,335	15,335
Kusuma Trust	10,182	-
Awards for All	-	9,882
Lund Trust	15,000	-
Catalyst Gateway Community Fund	-	26,500
City Life Local Living	5,000	-
RBK&C One off grants	5,000	1,950
RBK&C Public Health Fund	25,500	25,500
Other	18,229	-
	<u>94,246</u>	<u>90,073</u>

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5 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021 £	2020 £
Interest receivable	17	44

6 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Total
	2021 £	2020 £
Other income	25,386	-

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7 Charitable activities

	Charitable expenditure	
	2021	2020
	£	£
Staff costs	126,281	146,710
Depreciation and impairment	7,585	7,352
Charitable expenditure heading 1	24,072	15,855
	<u>157,938</u>	<u>169,917</u>
Share of support costs (see note 8)	35,672	37,946
Share of governance costs (see note 8)	2,300	2,300
	<u>195,910</u>	<u>210,163</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	74,050	123,386
Restricted funds	121,860	86,777
	<u>195,910</u>	<u>210,163</u>
For the year ended 31 March 2020		
Unrestricted funds	123,386	
Restricted funds	86,777	
	<u>210,163</u>	

8 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	1	-	1	-
Administration	22,889	-	22,889	17,507
Accommodation costs	12,489	-	12,489	19,198
Training & travel	294	-	294	1,242
Accountancy	-	2,300	2,300	2,300
	<u>35,673</u>	<u>2,300</u>	<u>37,973</u>	<u>40,247</u>
Analysed between				
Charitable activities	35,673	2,300	37,973	40,245

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9 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year.

10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Project workers	5	5
Employment costs	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	120,652	139,128
Social security costs	3,760	5,784
Other pension costs	1,870	1,798
	126,282	146,710

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

11 Taxation

As a registered charity the association is normally exempt from taxation under S466 to 493 of CTA 2010.

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12 Tangible fixed assets

	Playhut	Skatebowl and Gardens	Playgrounds	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 April 2020	163,076	977,700	38,828	66,368	1,245,972
Additions	-	-	-	2,585	2,585
At 31 March 2021	163,076	977,700	38,828	68,953	1,248,557
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 April 2020	131,837	977,700	38,828	66,368	1,214,733
Depreciation charged in the year	6,939	-	-	646	7,585
At 31 March 2021	138,776	977,700	38,828	67,014	1,222,318
Carrying amount					
At 31 March 2021	24,300	-	-	1,939	26,239
At 31 March 2020	31,239	-	-	-	31,239

Meanwhile Gardens occupy land on a 25 year lease from the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea at a peppercorn rent. The lease was signed on 1st October 1999 and with effect from that date. They also have a tenancy at will on the buildings. All the costs of the works, which were completed in 2001, are being depreciated over the remainder of the lease which is 23.5 years.

13 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	5,464	33,903
Prepayments and accrued income	532	516
	<u>5,996</u>	<u>34,419</u>

14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Other taxation and social security		2,832	3,986
Deferred income	15	11,255	11,255
Accruals and deferred income		3,221	3,321
		<u>17,308</u>	<u>18,562</u>

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15 Deferred income

	2021 £	2020 £
Other deferred income	11,255	11,255

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16 Restricted funds

(Continued)

(3) and (4) The Western Riverside Environmental Fund provided funds for various improvement works in the gardens.

Catalyst Housing provided a grant for a part-time trainee community gardener.

(6)

The NPC Foundation provided funds for the renovation of the courtyard and driveway with new gates, a new composting facility and a new polytunnel.

(7)

The Emergence Foundation provided funds for a new educational pilot project - the Meanwhile Gardens Young Champions.

(8)

Awards for All provided funds for a Messy Play project.

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17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Fund balances at 31 March 2021 are represented by:				
Tangible assets	-	26,239	26,239	31,239
Current assets/(liabilities)	23,102	27,458	50,560	49,409
	<u>23,102</u>	<u>53,697</u>	<u>76,799</u>	<u>80,648</u>

18 Related party transactions

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows.

	2021 £	2020 £
Aggregate compensation	<u>54,805</u>	<u>54,070</u>