

The Friends of Barshaw Park

Scotland · Charity number SC045147

Details

Known as	FOBP
Status	Active
Legal form	Unincorporated association
Registered	2014-10-01
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	26/6 Riccartsbarr Avenue Paisley Renfrewshire PA1 2AG
Website	www.friendsofbarshawpark.org.uk/

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of education', 'the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended', 'the advancement of environmental protection or improvement'

What the charity does: To ensure the maintenance and improvement of Barshaw Park as a safe and welcoming place for all members of the community and to enjoy leisure activities and to deliver activities and events to educate, inform and entertain the community and volunteers

Beneficiaries: 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community'

Objectives: The objects of the association shall be to protect and improve the environment of Barshaw Park, provide recreational facilities and activities within the park and advance the education of future generations of park users for the benefit of the community as a whole.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Renfrewshire
- **Geographical spread:** A specific local point, community or neighbourhood

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£27,809	£18,840	-	0
2024-03-31	£27,809	£18,840	-	0
2023-03-31	£17,885	£13,808	-	0
2022-03-31	£11,402	£9,758	-	0
2021-03-31	£7,811	£5,699	-	0

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Accounts

Friends of Barshaw Park
Trustees Annual Report
For Year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statement for the year ending 31 March 2025

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity name: Friends of Barshaw Park

Charity Number: SCO 45147

Address:

Current Trustees

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] resigned from the committee in August 2024

Structure, Governance and Management

It has a single tier structure and as such the trustees are members of the charity

Appointment of Trustees

The Management Committee which normally meets on the second Tuesday of each month, or as required, and its members are trustees

Committee members are elected at the Annual General Meeting, which is held in April, or as soon as possible thereafter. There must be a minimum of four and a maximum of 10 trustees.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable Purposes

Friends of Barshaw was set up to promote the use of Barshaw Park and protects it as a greenspace,

Our aims are to: -

To support the provision of facilities for recreation and education to the public at large to improve their quality of life and promote the value of the park and its nature.

This is done by co-ordinating a group of volunteers who maintain the Walled Peace Garden, Community Garden and wider areas of the park and working with wider community groups.

Stakeholders from the Paisley Society of Model Engineers who run a model train in the park from Apr to Oct and Paisley Model Yacht Club who sail model boats on the pond, sit on the committee. We work with local learning disabilities groups, recovery groups, schools, nurseries, art groups, fitness groups and faith groups. The Charity acts as a voice for the interests and stakeholders in the park. It liaises with the council to ensure that risks are identified and the park is maintained for all visitors. Likewise, the council is able to share plans for the park via Friends of Barshaw Park ensuring that any queries can be fielded via the Facebook page or email. Friends of Barshaw Park holds events throughout the year to strengthen community links, encourage outdoor exercise and engagement with greenspace.

Achievements and Performance

The start of the year saw a change in staffing at Renfrewshire Council and a new point of contact being appointed for us.

Support from the Council has been excellent again this year.

In the Walled Garden and community Garden we again received the highest award, Outstanding, with Distinction, from Keep Scotland Beautiful as part of the It's Your Neighbourhood Project. Several Businesses arranged for some of their employees to volunteer in the gardens during working hours.

These businesses include Thermo Fisher and Aviva.

The Mirin Group work in the garden regularly and do a great job of maintaining the paths.

We have over 50 volunteers who work hard to keep the Walled Garden looking beautiful throughout the year.

We continued to receive support from the Royal Horticultural Society, who delivered workshops and also gave financial support for garden costs.

We delivered events and activities in the Walled Garden and Community Garden throughout the year, including a Harvest Festival and Halloween events, a multifaith remembrance service.

New events included a fun Kate Bush Wuthering Heights dance event, and Laughter Yoga.

All our events were well supported by the local community.

We had a presence at other local events including St Mark's Christmas Fayre, and the Jingle Bell Fun Run.

In the wider park, The Paisley Society of Model Engineers continued to run the wee train at weekends in the summer months and maintain the infrastructure of the railway line.

The Paisley Model Yacht Club were able to sail throughout the year and hosted a sailing event to celebrate their centenary.

Plans for the Future

Work to transition to become SCIO to obtain access to more opportunities for funding and development, commenced and should be complete shortly.

We recruited more volunteers for gardening, but also to help with Admin and other tasks.

Receipts & Payments
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 Friends of Barshaw Park

Charity No. SCO45147

Receipts	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Year Ended 31st March 2024 (£)	Year Ended 31st March 2023 (£)
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Donations	400.00 ✓	4015.96 ✓	4,415.96 ✓	4160.53 ✓
Fundraising	1,600.75 ✓	3,624.20 ✓	5,224.95 ✓	1508.59 ✓
Charitable Activities	6.17 ✓	99.96 ✓	106.13 ✓	422.54 ✓
Total Receipts	2,006.92 ✓	25,802.52 ✓	27,809.44 ✓	17884.98 ✓

Payments	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Year Ended 31st March 2024 (£)	Year Ended 31st March 2023 (£)
Costs of Charitable Activities		-16730.12 ✓	17391.5 ✓	-11243.5 ✓
Fundraising Costs	-396.00 ✓	-126.95 ✓	-522.95 ✓	-1317.6 ✓
Insurance, Web Hosting & Professional fees	-925.84 ✓		-925.84 ✓	-1246.62 ✓
Total Payments	-1983.26 ✓	-16857.07 ✓	18840.3 ✓	13807.69 ✓

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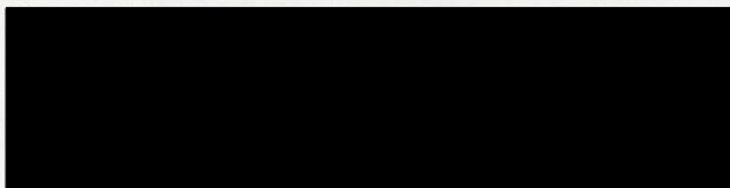
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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Friends of Barshaw Park

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 2006 Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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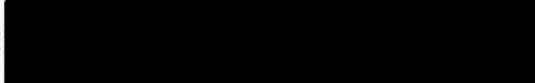
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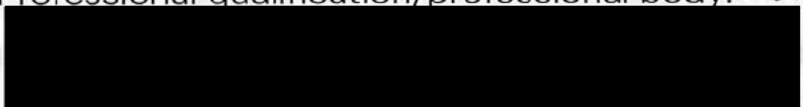
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