



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From** 1st April 2019  
**To** 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020

**Period start date**  
**Period end date**

**Charity name:** Peckham Coal Line

**Charity registration number:** 1165247

## Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Peckham and the surrounding area the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the condition of life of the said inhabitants.
<b>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.</b>	<p>Principle activities in pursuit of the Peckham Coal Line's aims and public period during in this period have included:</p> <p>Working with stakeholders to build on the Feasibility Study, published by the charity in 2018, to enact the delivery of the line. This has included local authorities and developers with interests along the area of the proposed line.</p> <p>Engaging with supporters and the community to seek input and articulate the benefits of the project, most notably at the Peckham Festival and via social media channels.</p> <p>There were no direct financial costs associated with these activities. As a result, the only costs incurred during the reporting year relate to operational overheads (website hosting and file sharing). No income was</p>

	received during the year, as these costs were funded through existing reserves.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	The Peckham Coal Line trustees have considered the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular its supplementary guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.
Contribution made by volunteers	<p>The development of the Peckham Coal Line has been made possible by a team of local volunteers. Thousands of hours of time since the idea's inception have allowed the Peckham Coal Line to be where it is today.</p> <p>The Peckham Coal Line does not currently employ any members of staff.</p>

## Achievements and Performance

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.	<p>The feasibility study (funded and commissioned by the charity) was published in June 2018 and is available via <a href="#">this link</a> on the charity's website (in full and summarised version).</p> <p>The key findings from the study is that the project is feasible and will benefit the local community (and indeed the wider society) in 6 key ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Connectivity (walking and cycling route)</li> <li>- Heritage</li> <li>- Community (demonstrating how communities can work together)</li> <li>- Greening the city (connecting pockets of nature across the line)</li> <li>- Innovation and local prosperity (creating new workspaces and connecting two local high streets)</li> <li>- Health and Wellbeing</li> </ul> <p>The charity's achievements during the 2019-20 year were focused on the next steps to realise the Coal Line, which will be delivered in stages, as well as promoting the project and the six benefits to the community.</p>

## **1. Working towards the first phases of delivering the Peckham Coal Line Project.**

The charity's main project during the year related to the Stable yard site. This formally derelict site forms a key part of the Peckham Coal Line's "low line" route, lying immediately to the south of the railway tracks, and was recently acquired by property developers.

The Trustees used power of the Coal Line's network of supporters to influence the local authority and the site's developers (and the local authority) to amend the plans so that the development was more closely aligned with delivering the benefits of the Coal Line, and was in keeping with the charity's principles of inclusion and environment. This success demonstrates the support the charity enjoys, and hence its ability to influence key stakeholders.

There was regular on-going engagement with stakeholders at Southwark Council the Greater London Authority regarding funding and support for delivering phases of the line, notably between Bidwell Street and Queens Road Peckham.

In addition, the charity helped drive improvements to the western entrance to Kirkwood Nature Reserve. Southwark Council invested in, organised and delivered Peckham Coal Line community generated designs to make the space more accessible and welcoming. The work is ongoing and phase 2 of this should be started later in 2021.

The charity initiated discussions with the new owners of the site at the western end of the Coal Line, off Rye Lane, that is currently used as a scaffolding yard. This is a large site, meaning the design and future use of the land will be critical to the viability of the proposed high-line route of the Coal Line.

## **2. Community engagement**

Engagement with the community in person was focused on the Peckham Festival, which included the launch of a new 3D digital "fly-through" of the route to help visitors to the free event to visualise the Coal Line.

In 2020, Covid 19 restrictions shifted our community engagement online. We have continued our newsletter and in September we held an online poll to establish what residents would like included as part of the stable yard landscaping – edible planting and kitchen garden are now included in the scheme being delivered later this year.

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## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	At the end of the period the financial position of the Peckham Coal Line was represented by a cash balance of £6,524.92.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Retain sufficient balances to cover operational overheads, for example relating to the website and third party insurance
Amount of reserves held	£6,524.92
Reasons for holding zero reserves	The Peckham Coal Line remains a small charity with no fixed and only a few, modest operational outgoings. All subsequent payments will be covered by existing funds.
Details of fund materially in deficit	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	The charity is a going concern, as it is in the Trustees' opinion that reserves are sufficient to cover expected costs for the forthcoming years. Any major further expenditure, such as on capital projects, would be dependent upon further fundraising or grant receipts.

## Additional information

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	<p>The Peckham Coal Line did not fundraise during the year. This is because the charity's activities were focused around influencing developers and stakeholders, which did not incur any cost. As a result, the charity did not raise any other new funds but relied on reserves carried over from 2018/17.</p> <p>Since the end of the reporting year, the charity has successfully obtained £150,000 in grants from Southwark Council and the Greater London Authority to facilitate the creation of a new footpath and cycle link between Bidwell Street and Queens Road, thus delivering the eastern end of the Coal Line.</p>
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## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	The Peckham Coal Line has a Constitution document
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	The Peckham Coal Line is registered as a CIO - Foundation
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	<p>Appointment of charity trustees:</p> <p>(1) Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of two years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.</p> <p>(2) In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.</p> <p>As the Peckham Coal Line develops, the trustee structure and make up will need to evolve in order to further reflect the needs of the CIO.</p>

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Peckham Coal Line
Other name the charity uses	PCL
Registered charity number	1165247
Charity's principal address	c/o 108 St Mary's Road Peckham SE15 2DU

### 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	Nick Woodford		Jan 2016 to present	
	2	Kirsty Austin		Jan 2016 to present	
	3	Nick Ambrose		Jan 2016 to present	
	4	Louise Armstrong		Jan 2016 to present	
	5	Anna Rose Hughes		Jan 2016 to present	

### Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

### Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature		
Full name	Nick Woodford	Louise Armstrong
Position	Chairman	Trustee
Date	18th Jan 2021	18th Jan 2021



Peckham Coal Line		No 1165247		CC16a
<b>Receipts and payments accounts</b>				
For the period from	Period start date 1/4/2019	To	Period end date 31/3/2020	

## 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
30/07/2018 Louise for Podcast talk	-	-	-	-	75
17/08/2018 Southwark Neighbourhood fund	-	-	-	-	1,000
30/10/2018 Cash from launch event	-	-	-	-	51
		-	-		-
		-	-		-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-	1,126
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	1,126
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
04/04/2018 Adams&Sutherland Feasibility	0.00	-	-	-	1,104.26
24/04/2018 NameCheap NameHost	0	-	-	-	5.42
27/04/2018 Markel Insurance	0			-	112.00
19/05/2018 Southwark Council licence	0	-	-	-	21.00
08/06/2018 Optichorme printing of feasibil	0	-	-	-	500.00
11/06/2018 CLF hire venue for launch		-	-	-	100.00
14/06/2018 GHA hire of waiting Rm	0	-	-	-	134.40
16/06/2018 Hertz Van hire	0	-	-	-	51.47



18/06/2018 CLF hire venue for launch	0	-	-	-	100.00
18/06/2018 Old waiting room hire	0	-	-	-	500.00
18/06/2018 Optichrome pring feasibility	0	-	-	-	651.60
23/06/2018 Car hire insurance hertz	0	-	-	-	26.40
05/09/2018 Network Rail assets team	0	-	-	-	1,800.00
03/01/2019 NameCheap NameHost	0	-	-	-	11.96
30/01/2019 Dropbox services	0	-	-	-	79.00
28/03/2019 Markel insurance	0	-	-	-	114.24
23/04/2019 NameCheap NameHost	7.38			7	0.00
03/01/2020 NameCheap NameHost	11.89			12	0.00
07/01/2020 Strickingly website	110.33			110	0.00
30/01/2020 Dropbox services	95.88			96	0.00
Sub total	225.48	-	-	225	5,311.75

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	225	-	-	225	5,312
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Net of receipts/(payments)	- 225	-	-	- 225	- 4,186
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	6750.4	-	-	6,750	-
Cash funds this year end	6,524.92	-	-	6,525	- 4,186

## Section B Statement of as

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash funds in bank (end of year)	6,525	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

## B2 Other monetary assets

Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	6,525	-	-
	OK	OK	OK
Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	
to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	
n/a	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
n/a		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
n/a		-	-
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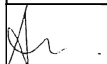
## B3 Investment assets

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

## B5 Liabilities

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		-	-
		-	-
Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
n/a		-	
		-	
		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Nick Ambrose	20/1/2021
	Nick Woodford	18/1/2021