



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **06/04/2020** Period start date To **05/04/2020** Period end date

Charity name: **BARNWOOD N2**

Charity registration number: **1185051**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>Our object is “to provide and maintain an open space to be known as ‘Barnwood’ for the benefit of the inhabitants of East Finchley and Barnet and to be used as an area for recreation and other leisure time occupations, as a meeting area or place for community events and for any other lawful purpose and for the general benefit of the community 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.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<b>In the period between September 2019 and March 2020, we held 7no community events, attracting around 375 visitors, excluding the GBL Fun Palaces event.</b>  <b>Our main activities were as follows:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>September 2019 Launch Event:</b> we had 158 visitors with various activities organised, from herb remedies and soil science, to breathing and singing exercises, poetry readings, live music and afghan singing. It was a wonderful sunny day with lots of memories and friends made.</li><li>- <b>October 2019 GBL Fun Palaces:</b> our site was part of the festivities organised by GBL for the Fun Palaces, where an estimated 600 people crossed our gates and our main attraction was a petting farm. This event left us with an unexpected legacy as the spilt animal feed has germinated into a</li></ul>

		<p>small crop of wheat, oats and barley.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>November 2019 Bulb planting day:</b> we planted 2020 native bulbs around Barnwood. 59 people attended, both local residents as well as a group of children from the Somali Bravanese Community that are using the Community centre next door.</li> <li>- <b>January 2020 The Holocaust Memorial and Bird Watching event;</b> we had 68 visitors on a rather cold morning where local neighbours joined together with community members from the Somali Bravanese Community, the Finchley Reform Synagogue and New North London Synagogue to plant snowdrops in honour of Holocaust Remembrance and the victims of Genocide.</li> <li>- <b>March 2020 British Science Week:</b> at the beginning of the pandemic and just before lockdown, we organised 3 separate events with 84 visitors, mostly school-aged children to promote British Science Week. In spite of the cold and rain, we had various science experiments arranged; soil science, experiments to understand evaporation and water permeability, bird identification and bug collection and identification. While the event took place at the beginning of the pandemic and just before the national lockdown, we are very proud of what was achieved.</li> </ul>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>The Charity Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.</b>

### 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	<p><b>Our biggest achievement this year was putting Barnwood firmly on the community map and bringing together members of our diverse community at Barnwood's numerous events. To see the visitors of all backgrounds and ages interacting and enjoying nature at Barnwood has made our charity's efforts meaningful and worthwhile. We have also started building partnerships with a number of local organisations and are very pleased that some groups are already benefiting from the regular use of our forest garden.</b></p> <p><b>Moreover, in our first year we have cleared the site and laid the foundations for what will become an even more appealing green space and community asset. We are proud to have collaborated with Harington, the Highgate-based charity that works with physically challenged young adults to teach them gardening skills.</b></p> <p><b>We've organised 7no community events and recorded over 200 volunteer hours. One of our proudest periods was during lockdown where, while we were not in a position to have the garden open for all,</b></p>

		<p>a good number of local residents rallied together to help maintain and water the garden taking turns, whilst adhering to all the safety Covid-19 regulations.</p> <p>In the months between September '19 and March '20 when the lockdown started, through our events we've had over 375 Visitors, excluding the Fun Palaces event in October 2019 where it attracted around 600 visitors.</p> <p>We've laid foundations to collaborate with local organisations such as Age UK and Newstead children centre to use the space on individual days for their benefit. A number of local entrepreneurs are currently interested in partnering with Barnwood to use the space to deliver outdoor activities, such as yoga and singing and breathing mindfulness exercises.</p> <p>Through our events, we made particular efforts to link with the Somali Bravanese community who lease the adjacent community centre. Barnwood open days and community projects created a unique space for people from various backgrounds to interact around shared values of community upkeep and ecology. Post-event feedback continuously highlighted the positive quality of these engagements, and how it engendered a unique opportunity for the community to unite around shared projects in a safe and relaxed natural setting.</p> <p>In January 2020, we held an event to mark Holocaust Memorial Day with the SBWA community joining us for fruit bush planting and a short candle lighting ceremony. A fitting occasion to focus our thoughts and need to work together as human beings to eliminate hatred and prejudice, in line with our charitable objective to provide a safe community space.</p> <p>The British Science Week events were a great celebration. Although they were held at a time when coronavirus had clearly started affecting people and attendance was lower than expected, we still managed to attract 84 visitors. We worked with the local Scout group and had beavers, cubs and scouts attending on one of the events and agreed to work closely for future events.</p>
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		In addition, our trustees have completed many hours of trustee training and attended training sessions with regards to Charity Compliance, how to set up a fundraising strategy, etc.
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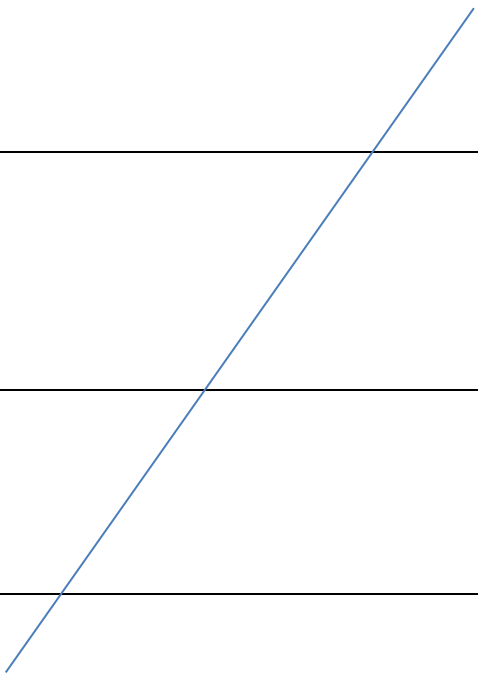
Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>In our first financial year ending 5 April 2020, Barnwood N2 successfully obtained financial funding of £13,571 from a number of sources. Our key grant of 12,450 came from Grange Big Local - a lottery funded community project. At the year-end, we registered the balance of £12,461 in the Barnwood N2 account. It is our policy that unrestricted funds not designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level which will ensure that in the event of a drop in funding the Charity will be able to continue its activities.</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>No reserves currently held and reserves policy will be agreed in the next financial year.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>None</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>Insufficient funds</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>None</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>None</b>

### 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	<b>CIO Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>CIO</b>
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	<b>Apart from first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of 3 years by a resolution passed at an appropriately convened meeting of the charity trustees.</b>

### 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	BARNWOOD N2
Other name the charity uses	BARNWOOD
Registered charity number	1185051
Charity's principal address	C/O D. BEAMISH 2 OAK LANE EAST FINCHLEY LONDON N2 8LP

### **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	LEO SMITH	CHAIR	WHOLE	
2	DINAH BEAMISH	SECRETARY	WHOLE	
3	ELIZABETH JAMES	TREASURER	WHOLE	
4	AVRA PLOUMI - ARCHER		WHOLE	
5	ALISON MOORE		WHOLE	
6	LAURA ALVARADO		WHOLE	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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## 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

None

## Other optional information

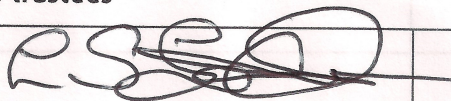
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## Declarations

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

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

LEO STANLEY SMITH

Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

31/1/2021