

Cross Park Association

(Charity Number 1176816)

Annual Report and Accounts 2020

Introduction

The Cross Park Association was established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 24th January 2018.

The building (and site) is owned by the Allhallows Parish Council and contains a recreation field, 'country park' and the Pavilion which was converted to form a community hall for the benefit of local residents. Activities concentrated on hall hire and small summer/christmas fetes.

Trustees for the year were:

Shirley Melly, (Chair) resigned 17th October 2020

Patricia Huntley-Chipper resigned 9th October 2020

Michael Huntley-Chipper (Treasurer) hospitalised October 2020 not active

Sandra Bennett (Secretary) (deceased 2019) not replaced

Lisa Newstead (appointed 30th October 2020)

Rachelle Freeguard (appointed 30th October 2020)

Elizabeth Wiggins (appointed 30th October 2020)

David Wiggins (appointed 30th October 2020)

Chris Rimmer (appointed 30th October 2020)

Chris Fribbins (appointed 30th October 2020)

With the death of Sandra Bennett (secretary in 2019) the additional cheque signature was lost, It took until mid-2020 for a replacement cheque signatory to be identified, so receipts and expenditure was operated on, effectively, a petty cash basis and personal funds for works including the decoration of the community hall (£1,350.00). On 27/10 cash was received (£793) and banked. A cheque for £1,822.63 paid to Michael Huntley-Chipper (decoration and heating bills). Although it is clear that the accounting records that were passed to new trustees was not of the completeness required and even Bank Statements were not provided (and took about 9 months due to problems reported below. There is however no suspicion with how the income and expenditure has been dealt with.

Effectively there were no trustees remaining at the end of 2020. A number of new trustees were identified and appointed, but there were problems changing bank signatories and accessing the funds and paying the bills of the CIO as the previous trustees had operated using the existing Community Association bank account. Barclays Bank advised that that account was not allowed for a charity and a new charity account would need to be established. This needed a meeting with a Business Manager but due to COVID19 activities for HM Government, there were none available. This persisted into 2021. In the meantime the bills of the CIO were met by the Allhallows Parish Council to allow the charity to continue. A reconciliation will be carried out and monies due by the Parish Council and one trustee will be repaid when the charity account is set-up and the balance of funds from the community association account can be transferred (£8,626.06).

The new trustees have been hampered by the COVID restrictions imposed on Barclays Bank and their rules around the type of accounts that needs to be set-up. When restrictions were relaxed, it

was possible to get historic bank statements and rectify the problems and establish a former basis from the 2nd half 2021. The charity is indebted to the Allhallows Parish Council for covering expenditure since late 2020. A full reconciliation of what is owed by the charity will be carried out as soon as bank payments can be made again and full financial processes and reporting will be put in place.

Although there has been no hall activities during the COVID19 restriction, the new trustees have planned improvements to the hall and facilities during 2021.

Accounts are recorded on a Receipts and Payments basis

Balance Brought Forward	£7,155.69
Income	
Allhallows Parish Council Revenue Grant	£2,500.00
Hall Hire (Cash Banked)	£ 793.00
Total	£3,293.00
Expenditure	
Hall Redecoration	£ 1,350.00
Maint/Heating/Business Rates(part)	£ 472.63
Total	£ 1,822.63
Balance	£ 8,626.06

Annual Report prepared on a retrospective basis by Chris Fribbins, Clerk Allhallows Parish Council and Trustee from 2020, when access to past bank statements available from Barclays Bank 11th July 2021 to supplement charity records.

Chris Fribbins 18th July 2021