

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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Signed M. MacInnes Chair Date 5/5/2021

\*\*Signed C Williams Treasurer Date 5/5/2021

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Receipts		May 20 to Apr 21	Мау	19_Apr 2020
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AGM		£0		£0
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Lottery cash balance		£283		£287
Cash held for floats		£100		£100
Toddler cash float		£141		£141
	Total assets	£54,824		£45,711
Signed	MMWh.	C Williams, Hon Tre	easurer	31/7/2021
Signed	Manh	M Macinnes	Chair	30/7/2021

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1174719** 

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2021

for
Brookvale Community Association



# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

#### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of BROOKVALE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

On accounts for the year ended 30/04/2021 Charity no (if any) 1174719

Set out on pages

3-6

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/04/2021.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:	CALErbyshire	Date: 11 08 2021
Name:	CHARLOTTE DERBYSHIRE FCCA	
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT	
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### Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

NOTHING TO DISCLOSE



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