



Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
	Period start date			T o	Period end date	
	1	April	2021		1	April
From						

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Weston Adventure Playground Association

Other names charity is known by WAP / The Venny

Registered charity number (if any) 290910

Charity's principal address

Hurstbourne Place (Behind Canberra Tower)	
Kingsclere Avenue	
Southampton	
Postcode	SO19 9QE

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	Daron Medway	Chair	19 June 2015 - present	Executive C'tee / Members
2	Peter Knight	Treasurer	19 June 2015 - present	Executive C'tee / Members
3	Matthew Easton		01 June 2019 - present	Executive C'tee / Members
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by membership (4.a) or co-option by Executive Committee for election at next Annual General Meeting (4.e)

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The playground reopened to the public in September 2021.

Subsequently, the trustees of the charity have considered the merits of becoming a Charitable Incorporate Organisation (Foundation Model) for the following reasons:

- 1) the coronavirus pandemic has led to a downturn in membership of the association.
- 2) the current membership of the association is not as involved in the activity of the association as in previous years.
- 3) the trustees believe that a shift to CIO status will more accurately reflect the way in which the association is currently managed.

The trustees have maintained good relationships with the playground charitable partners and beneficiaries.

The trustees will be submitting an application to become a CIO in 2023.

The trustees are actively fundraising to install a Multi-use Games Arena and to replace certain items of adventurous pay equipment.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupation and in particular but not exclusively by the provision of an adventure playground for children resident in Weston being facilities:

- a) of which such children have need by reason of their youth or social and economic circumstances; and
- b) which will improve the conditions of life for such children by promoting their physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Weston Adventure Playground provides:

2 midweek 2 hour open access play sessions in partnership with Weston Church Youth Project (WCYP) and occasional full day access play during school holidays.

1 midweek 2 hour open access play session provided in partnership with Southampton Children's Play Association (SCPA).

1 midweek 2 hour closed session for children with poor mental health.

The Weston Adventure Playground also engages in multi-agency working with many community groups and agencies such as: SureStart, local schools, local churches, Mencap, Saints Foundation, pre-schools and play schools etc.

The Weston Adventure Playground also lets its facilities to other agencies and community groups.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

A number of volunteers have contributed donations of time and/or money to assist with the maintenance of the the playgrounds grounds, buildings and equipment.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The charity has continued to fundraise for significant repairs to the fabric and equipment of the playground, primarily groundworks for the replacement of wooden safety palisades.

The WAP has maintained it's partnership with Southampton Children's Play Association through the provision of office space and open access youth provision.

WAP continues to allow Weston Church Youth Project and Southampton Children's Play Association to let to its facilities during term time and the school holidays for after school open access clubs and for holiday clubs and seasonal activities and events.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity holds three months operating costs in reserve.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The current principle source of funding for the charity was a Southampton City Council grant. The Association was successful in its bid to the city council to win a contract with the council for the delivery of youth services in the East of Southampton.

However, the charity continues to broaden the funding base and is constantly seeking funding from small and larger grant making bodies.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)

Daron Medway

Full name(s)

Daron Medway

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

Wednesday, 8 February 2023



Charity Number
290910

Financial Accounts
For financial year
Ending 31st March 2022

As approved by The Executive Committee

Peter Knight
Treasurer

WESTON ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

Charity No 290910

Income Expenditure Account

Year ending 31st March 2022

INCOME (£'s)

	2021-22	2020-21
Annual Grant SCC (<i>note 1</i>)	20000	15000
Other Grants (unrestricted)	1955	15021
Other Grants (restricted) (<i>note 2</i>)	22500	22500
Rental Income (<i>note 3</i>)	10058	7704
Interest	4	16
Donations	764	0
SCC Refund (<i>note 4</i>)	318	0
TOTAL	55599	60241

EXPENDITURE (£'s)

	2021-22	2020-21
Building Overheads – utilities, phone, business rates, cleaning, waste (<i>note 5</i>)	5881	4469
Insurance (<i>note 6</i>)	4153	5728
Maintenance (<i>note 7</i>)	114319	34332
Fundraising	96	96
Advertising/stationary/materials etc	137	137
Costs of lettings	0	90
Legal	100	100
Total	124686	44952

	2021-22	2020-21
Excess (deficit) Income over expenditure	(69087)	15289
Balance carried forward from previous year	71350	56061
Balance at year end	2263	71350

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Statement of assets and Liabilities

Year ending 31st March 2022

CASH ASSETS 31 March 2022

Deposit Account	1073
Bank Account	1190
Petty Cash	0
Total Cash Assets	2263

Asset distribution

Restricted funds	£ 0
Unrestricted funds	£2263

LIABILITIES

We have recently completed a building project to replace the decaying wooden pilings with a new permanent brick/concrete structure. This was expected/budgeted to cost in the region of £100k+VAT. However, the final costs were about 10% higher. As a result, it has not been possible to fully settle the account as the money was not available. Consequently, the sum of £15760.80 is still outstanding. It is expected that this should be paid off in full by the end of the summer using anticipated rental income etc.

NON-MONETARY ASSETS

Held for charities own use

1. Playground of approximately 1 acre with play centre, toilet block, and outdoor play structures. The land held on lease from Southampton City Council at peppercorn rent.
2. Furniture, fixtures and fittings, indoor and outdoor play equipment, tools and materials for maintenance and cleaning.

Notes

1. We are still in receipt of a grant from Southampton City Council of £20k per year paid quarterly, unfortunately the March 2021 payment was delayed and so is documented in this years accounts and similarly the March 2022 payment was delayed and so the total figure recorded in the accounts for the year is £20k.
2. We are in receipt of a grant from Veolia Environmental Trust towards the costs of rebuilding the wall along the access pathway. Half was paid in 2020-21 and the second half in this accounting year.
3. Due to the COVID pandemic the building was closed for some of the year and we have only recently been able to open for casual lets.
4. This represents a refund from SCC after a payment was taken in error having been wrongly attributed to the playground.
5. Business rates were suspended for the 2020-21 year and for part of 2021-22 due to the COVID pandemic. As the building was closed for some of the year due to the COVID pandemic we were able to suspend waste collections and had considerably lower utility bills, hence the building overhead costs for 2021-22 were lower than previous years although not as low as 2020-21 when the building was closed all year.
6. This year we have changed to a different insurance broker which has saved us a considerable amount on overall insurance costs – although the policy and cover is essentially the same.
7. This includes the majority of the payments for the building work we have recently undertaken and hence is considerably increased compared to previous years.



**Independent
examiner's report
on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

Weston Adventure Playground Association

On accounts for the year ended

31st March, 2022

290910

Charity no (if any)

Set out on pages

3-5 attached

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2022DD / MM / YYYY.

**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").

**Independent examiner's
statement**

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.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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.

Signed:

Date: 1st July, 2022.

Name:

Michael G. Beeby

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if any):**

FCMA - CGMA

Address:

17 Barbe Baker Avenue

West End

Southampton SO30 3RH

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.



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