

Report of the Trustees and
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022
for
Friends of Everton Park

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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Friends of Everton Park

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

Everton Park is one of the great parks of Liverpool, it is also the youngest park. It was completed in the 1980s and has many unique features and an incredible history. Every Liverpudlian knows that it has the best view over the city; a view that extends over the two Cathedrals, the city centre, the Mersey River, the Wirral and as far as Snowdonia on a clear day. Liverpudlians are renowned for dragging their out-of-town friends up to the view and astounding them with the sights.

In addition to the views, Everton Park has a ton of other features. It was built on a hill - no surprise as it has a view and is regularly used by runners and others keen on exercise. There is a skate park, a bike run, a playground, wildflowers, and for those interested, a Nature Garden and an allotment (the Community Garden).

But most of all it is a park - a place to relax, a green environment to escape from the bustle and stresses of daily life and enjoy walking, talking, and playing.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Objects of the CIO are:

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation in the interests of social welfare with the object of improving the conditions of life for those living in Everton Park and surrounding neighbourhood.

To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of Everton Park.

Public benefit

In considering the Objects and activities covered by this report, the Trustees have also considered the Charity Commission guidance on Public Benefit to ensure that Friends of Everton Park is meeting these important requirements and obligations.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

In the past year, Friends of Everton Park (FoEP) has been actively engaged in various efforts to enhance and maintain the park's environment, security, and community engagement. While some challenges persist, the dedicated work of FoEP, along with collaborative partnerships, has yielded positive results.

Park Maintenance and Repairs

The year began with continued attention to the resolution of damage and repair issues affecting the Panorama board and the barriers around the top car park area. While progress on these matters has been limited, a significant achievement was the successful removal of fly-tipped waste. This accomplishment was highlighted in Danny's radio interview on Radio Merseyside.

Community Engagement and Clean-Up Efforts

FoEP's commitment to the park's well-being was exemplified by the successful litter pick event on February 12th. A total of 12 individuals participated, collecting approximately 25 bags of rubbish, a testament to the community's dedication to maintaining a clean and vibrant park environment.

Playground Repairs and Consultation

Efforts to address the state of the play parks included follow-ups with Christina Williams. However, no substantial report was received regarding the commencement of consultations or repairs. FoEP remains committed to advocating for improvements in this area.

Security and Nuisance Control

FoEP collaborated closely with the local authorities to tackle the issue of motorbike nuisance and enhance park security. Reports from Danny and Danielle indicated proactive engagement with the Police and City Watch to address these concerns. Unfortunately, incidents such as a non-fatal shooting underscored the urgency of these efforts. While the police's proposal to relocate benches was declined, the installation of cameras has proven beneficial in monitoring and responding to such incidents.

Community Partnerships and Initiatives

FoEP has actively engaged with various organizations to promote park protection and community initiatives. Noteworthy collaborations include:

- Sustaining the Wildflower initiatives with seed sowing and later in the year, seed harvesting.
- Supporting the Open Everton Library project, which aims to transform a historic structure into a multi-purpose community hub.
- Working with the Lost Tribes of Everton (www.losttribeofeverton.com) to sustain Everton's heritage.
- Supporting Good Gym to carry out monthly work sessions in the park, enhancing the Park environment.
- Welcoming Food for Thought who have developed the Nature Garden and contributed to FoEP events.
- Supporting Peloton Cooperative's project to develop Mini-Roads to encourage young people to learn to cycle.
- Enabling Great Homer Street Medical Centre to provide Blood Pressure Checks during the Walk for Life.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Events and Community Involvement

FoEP's event calendar remained vibrant, contributing to community engagement and enjoyment of the park. Notable activities included the FoEP Walk for Life event, the Heritage Trail led by Danielle, Donkey Rides, Teddy Bear's Picnic, Everton Community Gardens Open Evening and the installation of The Big Red Ball, a mobile art exhibit. A significant aspect has been the consistent involvement of volunteers in maintaining the community garden and participating in park maintenance activities.

Financial Overview and Trusteeship

The financial health of FoEP has improved notably, with prudent budgeting and focused spending on events and initiatives. A strategic decision was made to temporarily halt the annual affiliation with the Community Land Trust network. In a unanimous decision, Simon Abrams assumed the role of Chair of Trustees for a two-year term, succeeding Paul Edwards.

Future Outlook

Looking ahead, FoEP remains committed to addressing ongoing challenges and creating a thriving park environment for the community. With the support of its dedicated members, partners, and volunteers, FoEP is poised to continue making positive strides in the coming year.

Contact Information

For inquiries, engagement opportunities, or to stay updated on FoEP's activities, please visit our website at www.friendsofevertonpark.org or contact us directly through our online contact form. Stay connected by signing up for our newsletter and following us on Facebook.

This annual report reflects Friends of Everton Park's ongoing dedication to preserving and enhancing this beloved community space. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who have contributed their time, efforts, and enthusiasm.

Friends of Everton Park - Working Together for a Better Park Experience

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charity Commission in November 2015 under charity number 1164519 and is governed by a constitution dated 20 October 2015.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees are appointed by the membership at the Annual General Meeting, and meet at least bimonthly to progress and conclude all project and governance business. No staff are employed - Trustees, members, and a small team of freelancers work together to ensure that all projects are delivered as planned.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1164519

Principal address

96-98 Great Homer Street
Liverpool
Merseyside
L5 3LF

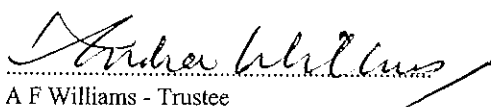
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Report of the Trustees
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Trustees

Dr S Abrams
A F Williams
J D Colfar
P H Edwards
K Rogers
Ms AM Coakley
R Scott
D G O'Shaughnessy
Ms D Azanuwha

Approved by order of the board of trustees on19/10/2023..... and signed on its behalf by:


A F Williams - Trustee

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	31.12.22 Unrestricted fund £	31.12.21 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		990	1,710
Charitable activities			
Community activities		-	9,200
Total		<u>990</u>	<u>10,910</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Community activities		8,959	2,115
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(7,969)</u>	<u>8,795</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		21,366	12,571
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>13,397</u></u>	<u><u>21,366</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

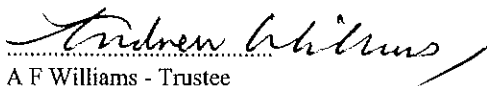
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Balance Sheet

31 December 2022

	Notes	31.12.22 Unrestricted fund £	31.12.21 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		14,817	21,786
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	4	(1,420)	(420)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>13,397</u>	<u>21,366</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>13,397</u>	<u>21,366</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>13,397</u>	<u>21,366</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds		<u>13,397</u>	<u>21,366</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>13,397</u>	<u>21,366</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 14/10/2023 and were signed on its behalf by:


A F Williams - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	1,710
Charitable activities	
Community activities	9,200
Total	<u>10,910</u>

3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

		Unrestricted fund £
EXPENDITURE ON		
Charitable activities		
Community activities		
		2,115
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NET INCOME		8,795
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward		12,571
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		21,366
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4. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
	31.12.22	31.12.21
	£	£
Other creditors	1,420	420
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5. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	31.12.22 £	31.12.21 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	990	1,710
Charitable activities		
Grants	-	9,200
Total incoming resources	990	10,910
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Community projects and events	8,244	1,303
Support costs		
Other		
Insurance	295	392
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	420	420
Total resources expended	8,959	2,115
Net (expenditure)/income	(7,969)	8,795

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