



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the Period

From 01.04.2024

Period start date To 31.03.2025

Period end date

Charity name: Barham Park Trust

Charity registration number: 302931

Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | The land is be held on trust to preserve the same for the recreation of the public in such manner and subject to such regulations in all respects as the Council may from time to time think proper. |
| 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 | The benefit is the provision of Barham Park and building for recreational purposes. |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | The Trustees (Brent Council is the sole trustee) receive legal advice with respect to their regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. Members of the Barham Park Trust Committee receive training on that role when they are first appointed. Training included a wide range of information including governance, conflicts of interest and public benefit. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
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| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38 | The Trust may make grant applications. |
| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | |
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| Contribution made by volunteers | | |
| Other | | |

Achievements and Performance

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| 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>During the year of 2024-25, the Barham Park Trust met thrice. Details of the meetings and decisions are available on the Brent Council website at Browse meetings - Barham Park Trust Committee (brent.gov.uk)</p> <p>The Trust considered the annual report and accounts for the year 2024/25, a summary of operational and strategic matters. In the short-term, preparations continue for works on the exterior of the building.</p> <p>The Trust's tenants, primarily of the Barham Park building, continued their activities during the year. The tenants include ACAVA (Association for Cultural Advancement through Visual Art), the Friends of Barham Library (Community Library), Tamu Samaj (Nepalese Community Centre), the Veterans, and through the Children's Centre. Some of the tenants also organised a range of activities for the wider public, particularly those organised through the Community Library. A number of new lettings are taking place for vacant properties with EchoVibe Hub and Friends of Barham Library subject to lease agreements.</p> <p>Within the park, a visiting funfair was hosted for two visits during the spring and summer of 2024; and contributes towards the funding of the Trust. The park hosted a number of community events during the year; and a weekly walking for health group. A tree planting event was organised by a residents and tenants association. The role of community organisations and volunteers in the life of Barham Park and in organising many of the above activities is acknowledged.</p> <p>Within the park, the establishment of plants continued in the restored Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Garden. This project was funded</p> |

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| | | <p>by NCIL (Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy) grants funded by Brent Council. The park of Barham Park continued as one of the most visited parks within the Brent area. The park has features including a Walled Garden, other gardens, trees and open woodland, amenity grassland and a meadow, a children's playground and an outdoor gym. Barham Park hosted the Borough Remembrance Day event held in November 2024. The Barham Park Walled Garden achieved a Silver Gilt award in the London in Bloom 2024.</p> |
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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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

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | <p>As at 31st March 2025, the charity held cash reserves of 712,207. Out of the total cash reserves, the sum of £342,228 relates to unrestricted funds and sum of £369,978 relates to restricted funds. There was no expenditure from the Trust's restricted funds in the 2024/25 financial year up to 31 March 2025.</p> <p>In accordance with the decision of the trustees, any future receipts will be used for improvements within Barham Park.</p> |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | The unrestricted funds are used for building maintenance, repairs, insurance etc. The restricted funds are resources designated for specific purposes in accordance with the Trust's policy. Approval from both the Committee and the Charity Commission is required before the restricted funds can be spent. The Committee needs to be satisfied that the proposed use of the restricted funds is in accordance with the terms of the Trust. |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | £712,207 |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves | Para 1.22 | |
| Details of fund materially in deficit | Para 1.24 | |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | Charity's principal source of funds is from rental income from Barham Park building and fun fairs held at Barham Park. |
| 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

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter) | Para 1.25 | <p>The voluntary conveyance dated 22 October 1936 between George Titus Barham (1) and Wembley UDC (2) copy annexed.</p> <p>Related documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The conveyance dated 1st February 1937 between Florence Elizabeth Barham (1) and the Mayor Alderman and Burgesses of the Borough of Wembley (2) copy annexed <p>The Assent dated 1st February 1938 between James Williamson and Kenneth Ewart Tansley (1) and the Mayor Alderman and Burgesses of the Borough of Wembley (2) copy annexed.</p> |
| How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO) | Para 1.25 | London Borough of Brent as sole trustee |
| 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 | Not applicable – the Council as local authority is the sole trustee. The London Borough of Brent is statutory successor to the Borough of Wembley. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| 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 | |

Reference and Administrative details

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| Charity name | Barham Park Trust |
| Other name the charity uses | |
| Registered charity number | 302931 |
| Charity's principal address | Brent Civic Centre Engineers Way Wembley HA9 0FJ |

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) |
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| 1 | London Borough of Brent | Barham Park Trust Committee | | Not applicable as corporate sole trustee |
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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

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| 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 |
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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

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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

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| Signature(s) | | |
| Full name(s) | | |
| Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) | | |
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