

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date: 01 04 2023 To Period end date: 31 03 2024
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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name: Playing field and recreation ground

Other names charity is known by: QEII Alport Lane Playing Fields. Holywell Lane Toilet Block

Registered charity number (if any): 520537

Charity's principal address: Christmas Cottage

Church Street

Youlgrave

Postcode: DE45 1WL

Names of the Councillors 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	Graham Elliott	Councillor		Youlgrave Parish Council
2	Andrew McCloy	Councillor		Youlgrave Parish Council
3	Ealine Bacon	Councillor	To 3/5/2023	Youlgrave Parish Council
4	Ken Clayton	Councillor		Youlgrave Parish Council
5	Michael Ashforth	Councillor		Youlgrave Parish Council
6	Leah Goodwin	Councillor		Youlgrave Parish Council
7	Sue Hallam	Councillor		Youlgrave Parish Council
8	Nicola Humphreys	Councillor		Youlgrave Parish Council
9	Richard Roper	Councillor		Youlgrave Parish Council
10	Jenny Cooper	Councillor	To 3/5/2023	Youlgrave Parish Council
11	Ann Blenkinsopp	Councillor		Youlgrave Parish Council
12	Dee Frith	Councillor	From 4/5/2023	Youlgrave Parish Council

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Youlgrave Parish Council	

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted	Trust
Trustee selection methods	Youlgrave parish councillors make collective decisions as a Council

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

Youlgrave Parish Council manages Alport Lane Playing Fields on behalf of Fields in Trust and Holywell Lane Public Toilet Block on behalf of the charity. The charity holds the assets and all funding and management is provided at cost to Youlgrave Parish Council which offsets any income directly attributable to the assets against running costs and provides the balance of funds from the precept to ensure the charity does not make a loss.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

Provision of a playing field and recreation ground along with amenities for public use.

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 Parish Council maintains and renews the assets as well as enhancing this by provision of specific items for play and exercise from its funds to give added value to the public use. The field areas are open year round and toilet blocks for as much of the year as council deems safe from the extremes of weather or closure for essential maintenance. Regular inspections of the facilities are carried out and Council encourages team sports by provision of dedicated areas for football and cricket with a pavilion available for team use. It also leases an area to the Bowls Club for their pavilion. The primary school uses the field for activities as they have no grass areas.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Queen Elizabeth II Alport Lane Playing Fields
This area is used by the Football, Cricket and Bowls Clubs and by Youlgrave School and the Youlgrave Fun Day on an organised basis; as well as being used throughout the seasons as a safe play area for village children and visitors alike.
The Pommie Panter raised funds for the field by use as a one day car park for those taking part. Council also uses the field on Well Dressing weekend as a charging car park to keep visitors cars off the road.

Council agreed to set aside funds for a feasibility and costing study to replace the wooden cricket pavilion with a sports pavilion. Cricket has seen a resurgence with ladies soft ball and children's summer activities. As security of tenure is required and there are less than 9 years before the 99 year lease expires council has negotiated with Fields in Trust to take the freehold under their conditions and awaits sanction by the Charity Commission to allow this to take place.

The tennis net is due to be replaced once funds can be found.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity has set aside budgets from the Parish Council for maintenance and repair.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Council runs these amenities for the benefit of the parish and intends to continue support for the foreseeable future.

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 main sources of income are two honesty boxes, a DDDC mowing grant and rents from club use. The Parish Council pays for any shortfall to cover the costs hence a balance of income and expenditure annually.

Section F

Other optional information

DY397048 – Title to Holywell Lane Toilet Block

Field Reference Number – 144QE – Queen Elizabeth II Field (Alport Lane Playing Fields) July 2011
Field owned by National Playing Fields Association operating as Fields in Trust leased to Youlgrave Parish Council on 1st October 1931 for 99 years

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Graham Elliott	Hugh Matthew Lovell
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary
Date	26 th November 2024	26 th November 2024