

YOUR BOWES PARK

APRIL 2019 - MARCH 2020 AGM

The objects of the Charity are:

2.1.1 To further or benefit the people who live, work or have an interest in the Area of Benefit ('Bowes Park' and the surrounding neighbourhood), without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, disability, race, age or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said people and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisation in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the said people;

2.1.2 to protect and conserve for the public benefit the physical and natural environment of the Area of Benefit;

2.1.3 to promote such other charitable purposes for the public benefit as may from time to time be determined.

2.2 The Charity shall be non-party in politics and non-sectarian in religion.

(Memorandum and Articles of Association Section 2 and Schedule 1.2)

Who We Are

Number of paid-up members: 97 in 2019-2020, compared to 90 in 2018-19 and 99 in 2017-18

Number of e-mail subscribers: 534

Number of recipients of biannual Newsletter: 4,000 + households

Officers	Committee Members	Trustees / Directors
Emma Killick (Chair) Bart Schoonbaert (Treasurer)	Carla Francome, Cathryn Groves, Emma Killick, Chloe Mahon, Ros Morgan, Colin Ozanne, Ann Summerhayes, Lucy Whitehead	Emma Killick Chloe Mahon Caroline Simpson

BowesPark
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Registered Charity (1140433) and Company (07483426) Limited by Guarantee

What We Did

- * Organised community events, including FinsFeste, Ceilidh, Community Gardens Summer Picnic and Finsbury Gardens Carols
- * Maintained the New River Path, community noticeboards, Myddleton Road Community Garden, the outdoor gym, Finsbury Gardens, and generally cleaned-up Bowes Park
- * Communicated with residents, workers and those interested in Bowes Park through our updated website, production and distribution of the biannual newsletter, streamlined membership system, and emailing those who have subscribed to our mailing list
- * Monitored, supported and objected to planning applications and support positive building projects in the area
- * Supported the Community Choir, Folk Group and Walking Group
- * Supported the Myddleton Road Strategy Group, We Love Myddleton Road and the Myddleton Road Market

What We Do

- * Priorities for the next few years were voted on at the last AGM, however, there has been a seismic shift in priorities because of the pandemic.
- * All activities undertaken this year fit the objectives of the BPCA per the Memorandum and Articles of Association. We have:
 - Created a volunteer network to deliver flyers and provide a contact phone number for every household in Bowes Park (and to some neighbouring areas) (March 2020)
 - Provided emergency food, gas and electricity to those in need, as well as emotional support and contacts with others who could provide further support (March - May 2020)
 - Coordinated with the newly-established Bounds Green Mutual Aid group (March 2020) and extended our reach and support to all in Bounds Green (close to 15,000 households)
 - Received grants from Haringey Giving and London Community Response Fund (May 2020)
 - Supported the Flowers in your Window project, which also gave us the chance to distribute up to date support information (June 2020)
 - With Bounds Green Mutual Aid, we established the Bounds Green Food Bank (June 2020)
 - Started a fundraising drive for the Food Bank (September 2020)
 - Bounds Green Food Bank now has 339 volunteers, of which 179 are actively on the rota and 67 are volunteer drivers.
 - Purchased and distributed 34 laptops to children in our neighbourhood who have no digital access at home (October-present)
 - Special projects have been funded to enable us to distribute second-hand coats, new winter warmers, Festive food hampers and presents (October-present)
- * We will return to usual activities as soon as it is permissible, while continuing the new activities started this year.

Financials	<i>31/03/2020</i>	<i>31/03/2019</i>
Total Funds	£15,310.12	£17,675.70
Grants	£1,000	£1,120.00
Fundraising	£2,090.55*	£1,837.66

Split of funds by subgroup	<i>31/03/2020</i>
Finsbury Gardens	£3,645.71
Community Garden	£2,145.10
Bowes Park Community Association	£6,175.90
We Love Myddleton Road	£3,343.41

* Made up of

£871.10	Ceilidh ticket & raffle
£350.00	Community Garden fundraising
£823.35	Finsfeste income
£46.10	Finsbury Gardens Carols donations