REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1164519

Report of the Trustees and

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

for

Friends of Everton Park

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

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.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The Park in 2025

Over the year our bi lateral meetings with Liverpool CC's parks personnel, the Landscape group, have flourished and made a real difference to some of the work on the ground. Notably, we have had a real input on the refurbishment works being planned for the Nature Garden.

Our annual events programme has flourished again with an outstanding Shewsy summer fair and a huge crowd drawn to the Lock-Up for the EFC day in Everton on the very weekend that Goodison Park hosted its last premier league game.

Peleton's Mini Roads cycle training facility has been hugely popular and generated a lot of fun. Rightly, this has attracted the local press in droves. Alongside that an amazing garden is taking shape in the old Fountains pool. Now filled with rubble and grit, it has being gardened into a feature garden for drought resistant planting as well as our own wildflower species along the lines of the Greek garden Sparoza. The transformation from the old redundant pond is stunning and the new Pool Garden will go from strength to strength.

Good Gym have supported us with eight evening maintenance sessions throughout the year as well as becoming regular friends and we have managed four of our own litter picks as well. There was also a superb cross city collaboration on 12 June when Andy Salim brought his company Central Waste to Everton Park and about 60 volunteers created a serious impact in cleaning and maintenance.

Board and Governance

The year of 2025 proved fairly difficult for the Trustees group of Friends of Everton Park. Our group of trustees was battered by absences, ill health and retirements in pretty much equal measure. Our meetings pattern has varied over the years but most recently we have settled on bi - monthly meetings. This though proved very difficult, for one reason or another over the course of the year. In total, we met five times including an Annual General meeting on October 16th. But through the course of the year two of our older members needed to be in hospital for a stretch and on slow recovery following that, and in the summer our chair Dr Simon Abrams explained that he needed to stand down to create the space he needed for a new health project.

Conclusion

All in all, 2025 has been our usual glorious mix. We are dearly hoping that the Council, through new funds promised through a change of Government, will be enabled to up its game on a deteriorating park due to a lack of maintenance and we'll let 2026 tell that story.

We should end with a note of thanks to our now retired chair, Dr Simon Abrams, who has done a great job for several years. Thanks Simon.

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.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
1164519

Principal address
96-98 Great Homer Street
Liverpool
Merseyside
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Trustees
Dr S Abrams (resigned 20.11.25)
A F Williams
J D Colfar
P H Edwards (resigned 16.10.25)
K Rogers
R Scott
D G O'Shaughnessy (resigned 16.10.25)
Ms D Azanuwha (resigned 3.1.25)
Ms A Reid (appointed 23.6.26)
Ms A Muscatelli (appointed 23.6.26)

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20 October 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

A F Williams - Trustee

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.25 Unrestricted fund £	31.12.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		600	1,455
Charitable activities			
Community activities		-	14,195
Total		600	15,650
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Community activities		3,826	18,722
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(3,226)	(3,072)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		14,827	17,899
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		11,601	14,827

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.25 Unrestricted fund £	31.12.24 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		12,021	15,247
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	4	(420)	(420)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		11,601	14,827
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		11,601	14,827
NET ASSETS		11,601	14,827
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds		11,601	14,827
TOTAL FUNDS		11,601	14,827

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20 October 2026 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 2025 nor for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2025 nor for the year ended 31 December 2024.

3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	1,455
Charitable activities	
Community activities	14,195
Total	15,650

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3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £
EXPENDITURE ON	
Charitable activities	
Community activities	18,722
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(3,072)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	17,899
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14,827

4. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.25 £	31.12.24 £
Other creditors	420	420

5. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2025.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	31.12.25 £	31.12.24 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	600	1,455
Charitable activities		
Project income	-	12,602
Grants	-	1,593
	-	14,195
Total incoming resources	600	15,650
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Community projects and events	3,087	17,983
Support costs		
Other		
Insurance	319	319
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	420	420
Total resources expended	3,826	18,722
Net expenditure	(3,226)	(3,072)