Hackney Tree People

(Registered charity, number 1168716)

Financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2026

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Trustees' annual report
for the year ended 31 March 2026

Full name Hackney Tree People

Other names by which the charity is known Hackney Community Tree Nursery
Tree Musketeers

Organisation type Charitable incorporated organisation

Registered charity number 1168716

Principal address
Hackney Tree Nursery, Homerton Road, Hackney, E9 5PF

Trustees

Francisco Marcelo White	Natalie Sutton
Yuti Gada, Treasurer	Neil Sinden
Tessa Darbyshire, from 28/09/25	Aoife Donnelly, from 28/09/25
Samuel Parry, from 28/09/25	Christine Kings, until 28/09/2025
Emmanuel de Lange, until 28/09/2025	Peter Burke, until 28/09/2025

Independent examiner
Eva Stevens, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

Governance and management
The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO constitution adopted 10 August 2016.

New trustees are recruited from being volunteers, proposed and seconded by existing trustees. Voting is by a secret ballot at the Annual General Meeting.

Hackney Tree people is governed by its Board of Trustees. There are currently seven trustees, board meetings take place approximately every 12 weeks. New Trustees are recruited from being volunteers they are proposed and seconded by existing Trustees. Voting is by a secret ballot at the Annual General Meeting.

In accordance with the constitution which states that at the annual general meeting of the members of the CIO one third of the charity trustees shall retire from office, the longest serving trustees may resign but have the option to show their willingness to continue with their duties and may be re-elected.

Membership of the CIO is open to anyone who is interested in furthering its purposes and who, by applying for membership, has indicated their agreement to become a member and acceptance of the duty of members. Only individuals are eligible to be members of the charity.

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Objectives and activities

1) For the public benefit, to promote improvement of the physical and natural environment, and public health, in particular but not exclusively by the growing, care and conservation of trees, and other activities related to trees, mainly but not exclusively in the London Borough of Hackney;
2) The advancement of education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment, mainly but not exclusively in the London Borough of Hackney, in particular but not exclusively by the provision of workshops on woodland management and tree coppicing and felling.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

Within the year, HTP organized multiple community tree planting sessions on Millfield's Park, Hackney Downs, Springfield Park, Well Street Common, Waterside Estate, Gascoyne Estate, Clapton Park Estate, Millfield's Estate & East Bank nature reserve. In all 68 trees were planted in parks and estates and including those planted by Hackney Council, more than 100 trees were planted.

HTP continued to maintain previously planted trees within the Hackney area.

The pond has been cleared of roots & sand, and another new shallow edged pond has been added next to it with the aim of increasing habitat and biodiversity.

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Summary of the main achievements during the period
HTP has been successful in receiving funding of £20,000 from The National Lottery Community Fund for the general activities of the nursery.

As a part of HTP's five-year strategy, an administrator has been employed on a contract basis to streamline the administration and improve the productivity. Additionally, an arboriculturist has been contracted to professionalise the growth and management of our tree stock.

HTP has launched a partnership with Hillier's tree nursery (the leaders in sustainability in the commercial nursery sector) to work, train and experiment on developing climate resilient trees for the future for a period of 3 years.

Financial Review
HTP has had a very good year with a generous amount of funding received. In addition to the funding received from The National Lottery Community Fund, HTP continued to receive funding from Hackney council for the amount due for the year under review as well as the previous year. As a result, we hold a substantial balance in the bank account**.**

The charity's policy on reserves
HTP has a reserves policy of 6 months of its operating costs. The reserves policy is reviewed as and when required.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed  Date 22/09/2026
Marcelo White, Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Hackney Tree People for the year ended 31 March 2026

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Hackney Tree People (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

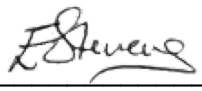
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed  Date 23/09/2026

Eva Stevens BSc, CPFA

Employee of Community Accounting Plus

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Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 March 2026

2025 £		Note	***2026*** **£**
	Receipts		
37323	Grants & donations	**2**	57945
895	Events & activities		2286
1800	Tree sales		2325
28	T shirt sales		12
78	Bank interest		111
496	Miscellaneous		123
40620	**Total receipts**		**62802**
	Payments		
2995	Horticultural supplies		3994
1507	Tree nursery site maintenance		-
42743	Irrigation project		-
1337	Vehicle maintenance		288
342	Equipment, repairs & renewals		2004
860	Insurance (vehicle & site/activities)		854
442	Volunteer provisions		390
1243	Events & activities		648
187	Website & social media		274
259	Library		345
2686	Administration		49
615	Training		550
3004	Professional fees		522
-	Arboricultural wages		3000
-	Admin Wages		6321
60	Bank charges		60
1064	Fundraising		935
-	Hospitality & refreshments		448
2645	Sundry payments		-
61989	**Total payments**		**20682**
(21369)	**Net receipts/(payments)**		**42120**
53288	Cash funds at start of this period		31919
31919	**Cash funds at end of this period**		**74039**

Hackney Tree People
Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 March 2026

2025			***2026***
£	**Cash assets**	**Note**	**£**
31919	Bank accounts		73951
-	Cash in hand		88
31919			**74039**
	Other monetary assets		
15000	Debtors	**3**	730
100	prepayments - Insurance		119
15100			**849**
	Assets retained for the organisation's own use		
	General equipment.		
	Liabilities		
(1383)	Creditors	**4**	(3165)
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These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed _____ Date 02/09/2026
Yuti Gada, Trustee

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Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2026

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. Grants & donations

	£
London Borough of Hackney	30000
National Lottery Community Fund	20000
Garfield Weston	5000
Sundry grants & donations	2945
	57945

3. Debtors

	£
Tree Sales	730
	730

4. Creditors

	£
Independent examination	558
Arboricultural wages	1000
Events and Activities - Workshop	746
Admin wages	861
	3165

5. Trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

6. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the period.

7. Glossary of terms

Creditors: These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.

Debtors: These are amounts owed to the charity, but not received in the accounting period.

Prepayments: These are services that the charity has paid for in advance, but not used during the accounting period.