

GARDENS FOR SCHOOLS LIMITED
(A company limited by guarantee)

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2008**

Charity number: 1094751
Company number: 4304408

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Status

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 15 October 2001 and registered as a charity on 25 November 2002.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. Under those Articles, the trustees are elected at the AGM and retire in thirds.

Trustees

The directors of the charitable company ("the charity") are its trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the trustees. New trustees are appointed at the discretion of the existing trustees.

The trustees serving during the year and since the year-end were as follows:

Mr A F Titchmarsh
Mrs A M Titchmarsh
Mr S Alais

Secretary

Mrs A M Titchmarsh

Registered Office

Springpark House, Basing View, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG21 4HG

Principal Address

Manor Farm
Church Lane
Holybourne
Alton
Hampshire GU34 4HD

Accountants

Baker Tilly Tax & Accounting Limited, Springpark House, Basing View, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG21 4HG

Bankers

C Hoare & Co, London

TRUSTEES REPORT

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2008.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity has a simple structure whereby the trustees are responsible for the day to day running of the charity. This is considered to be adequate for the size and nature of the charity's operations.

The trustees meet as required throughout each year to discuss and agree the schools that are to receive grants for the coming year.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the charity are to encourage the advancement of education of children and young people by encouraging their participation in gardening projects with a view to them leading a more rewarding life and having an appreciation of the environment in general. To achieve this object the charity makes grants to schools for gardening projects.

Achievements and Performance and Plans for Future Periods

The Trustees have not made any charitable grants in the year and are currently exploring options to merge the charity with another charity with similar charitable objects.

Reserves Policy

The charity does not have overheads or obligations relating to its running and operations. Reserves are therefore held for the purpose of making grants in future periods only. It is not the policy of the trustees to build up significant reserves as the intention is to expend income received as grants on an annual basis.

Trustees

The members of the company, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

Members of the charitable company guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 to the assets of the charitable company in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 31 October 2008 was 3.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

UK Company and Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity as at the end of the financial year, and of the surplus or deficit for the period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees have:

- selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- stated whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepared the financial statements on a going-concern basis.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985 and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities 2005. They are also responsible for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 2005 – Accounting and Reporting by Charities and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the trustees on 6.9.09 and signed on their behalf by:



A Titchmarsh
Trustee

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31 October 2008

			12 Month Period	
	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2008 £	Total Funds 2007 £
INCOME & EXPENDITURE				
Incoming resources:				
Incoming resources from generated funds:				
Voluntary Income	2	-	-	7,351
Investment income		182	182	175
Total incoming resources		<u>182</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>7,526</u>
Resources expended:				
Charitable expenditure:				
Grants & donations		-	-	500
Total resources expended	3	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>500</u>
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		<u>182</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>7,026</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	5	<u>182</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>7,026</u>
Fund balances brought forward at 1 November 2007		<u>20,147</u>	<u>20,147</u>	<u>13,121</u>
Fund balances carried forward at 31 October 2008		<u><u>20,329</u></u>	<u><u>20,329</u></u>	<u><u>20,147</u></u>

The net movement in funds for the year arises from the charity's continuing activities.

No separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses has been presented as all such gains and losses have been dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

BALANCE SHEET
31 October 2008

		12 Month Period	
	Notes	2008 £	2007 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank & in hand	4	20,329	20,147
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>20,329</u>	<u>20,147</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>20,329</u></u>	<u><u>20,147</u></u>
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS			
General funds		20,329	20,147
TOTAL FUNDS	5	<u><u>20,329</u></u>	<u><u>20,147</u></u>

Balance sheet statement for audit exempt charitable company

For the year ended 31 October 2008 the company was entitled to the exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of s249A(1), Companies Act 1985. No notice has been deposited with the company under s249B(2) of that Act requiring an audit to be carried out. The directors acknowledge their responsibility for:

- a. Ensuring the company keeps accounting records in accordance with s221, Companies Act 1985; and
- b. Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of its financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, in the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of s226, Companies Act 1985, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act so far as they are applicable to the company.

The accounts on pages 4 to 8 were approved for issue by the board of directors on 6.11.09 and signed on its behalf by:


A Titchmarsh
Trustee

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended 31 October 2008**

1. Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000), the Companies Act 1985 and with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued March 2005).

(b) Incoming Resources

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when received. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

(c) Resources Expended

Grants and donations are recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Resources expended include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered. There are no governance costs borne by the charity.

(d) Funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended 31 October 2008

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	2008 Total £	2007 Total £
Unrestricted		
Gift Aid Donations	-	7,351
	<u>-</u>	<u>7,351</u>
	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>7,351</u></u>

3. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

	2008 Total £	2007 Total £
Grants to schools	-	500
	<u>-</u>	<u>500</u>
	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>500</u></u>

No director received any emoluments or reimbursement of expenses during the year.

4. CASH AT BANK & IN HAND

	2008 Total £	2007 Total £
Current Account	20,329	20,147
	<u>20,329</u>	<u>20,147</u>
	<u><u>20,329</u></u>	<u><u>20,147</u></u>

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for the year ended 31 October 2008

5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	1 November 2007 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	31 October 2008 £
Unrestricted funds:				
General funds	20,147	182	-	20,329
	<u>20,147</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,329</u>

6. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	General Fund £	Total £
Unrestricted funds:		
Current assets	20,329	20,329
	<u>20,329</u>	<u>20,329</u>

7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Administration costs incurred by the charity are paid on its behalf by Mr A F Titchmarsh, a trustee.