### **Bradwell Community Orchard Group**

### **Financial Statements**

For

Year ended 31 December 2021

Company Registration Number 7235409
Registered as a Charity with H M Revenue and Customs



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#### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

Board of Trustees Bridget Stewart, Bruce Nowell, Julie Marshall,

Christine Taylor, Jane Dalrymple

Accounts Examiner Emma Dalrymple ACA

Charity Number Registered as a Charity with HMRC

Company Number 7235409

Registered Office Clifton House

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**Bankers** Co Operative Bank

#### STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR

2021 was again a challenging year for us all. The first 4 months started with the third national lockdown and so the working parties and the meetings in member's houses did not take place. However, one meeting that included the AGM took place in March on-line via Zoom and the orchard remained 'open' throughout for people to use for their own daily exercise. This did mean that general orchard maintenance took place and the use of electronic communication ensured that there was no overlap of jobs that needed to be done.

From May onwards socially distanced working parties resumed with members able to work on various projects in the orchard either on their own or within their own household groups. During natural breaks within these working parties it was possible to share ideas at socially distanced seating areas, about new projects for the orchard and therefore the general orchard management could be maintained. Trustees communicated throughout the first part of the year electronically to ensure we remained compliant with volunteering rules as and when they changed and updating our own rules and information. The meetings resumed in July and have continued every couple of months

All the fruit trees have been pruned at the appropriate time for the tree type. The harvest was affected by some very late frosts this year so some fruit trees did really well while others did not bear any fruit. In the soft fruit bed the redcurrants, whitecurrants, gooseberries and the rhubarb were very good, but unfortunately some over-enthusiastic pruning did mean that we had a very limited blackcurrant harvest! Again there was not a good crop of raspberries and any fruit was probably taken by the blackbirds.

Fruit was picked by various members on an 'ad hoc' basis when they could use the fruit. The remaining apples were collected for sale and/or turned into apple juice at the apple day event in October. The grass paths were mown and maintained well by both David and Steve again this year. A few BCOG members also mowed/strimmed the whole orchard in September with a hired industrial strimmer and various BCOG members removed all the hay in the subsequent days, putting it all in the compost bins.

One new project was continued: the ground between the picnic area and dry stone wall on the far side of the orchard was planted with 'plug' wildflower plants and more yellow rattle seed was sown.

There were a limited number of 'special' events that took place during the year due to the pandemic restrictions, however the orchard group were able to have a stand on Beggars plot on gala day in August and a very successful apple day in October. Both events were successful at promoting the orchard within Bradwell and raising funds so that the orchard can be well maintained and remain a pleasant space to visit.

The apple day took place on the site in front of Dick's workshop. Margaret and the rest of Dick's family kindly suggested that we could go ahead with the event as it would be exactly what Dick would have wanted. He was passionate about the orchard being a central part of Bradwell community and was very keen that as many people as possible could be involved. The orchard continued to be used by people in the village as an outdoor place to visit during all the challenges of the year.

The orchard no longer is host to an apiary on site, but does hope this will happen again in the near future.

Christine Taylor Musice Can (

Trustee (Chair)
3 February 2022

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Members of the Board of Trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

#### Structure, Governance and Management

#### **Governing Document**

Bradwell Community Orchard Group was incorporated as a Company Limited by Guarantee on 26 April 2010. The company's governing documents are the articles of association which define the company as a Charity.

#### Appointment and Resignation of Trustees During the Year

Trustees are elected at the AGM. Nominations may be made by the Board of Trustees or Members of the Group. The Board may also appoint new Trustees, but their appointment must be confirmed by the next AGM. Regrettably, the Trustees have to record that Dick Morley passed away during the year, leaving a vacancy.

#### **Members of the Board of Trustees**

None of the Members listed hold shares as the company is Limited by Guarantee.

#### **Retiring Trustees**

Under the Constitution, the members of the Board of Trustees are elected at the AGM to serve a period of three years. Chris Taylor, Jane Dalrymple and Bruce Nowell will retire from the Board at the forthcoming AGM and intend to put themselves forward for re-election.

#### **Trustee Induction and Training**

No additional training took place during the year.

#### **Organisation**

The Board of Trustees did not meet separately during the year.

#### **Related Parties**

No Trustees have a personal financial interest in any of the transactions.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

To create, develop and sustain an Orchard Group for the benefit of the community of Bradwell, Derbyshire. The Trustees consider that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission.

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES CONTINUED

#### **Financial Review**

#### **Reserves Policy**

The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds ('the free reserves') held by the charity should be sufficient to cover public liability insurance for the following 2 years. At this level, the trustees feel that they would be able to continue the core activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. As at 31 December 2021 the free reserves amount to £4,449 (2020: £3,640) which would be sufficient for this purpose.

#### Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also directors of Bradwell Community Orchard Group for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company 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 charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Bridget Stewart** 

Trustee (Secretary)

3 February 2022

#### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2021 Total	2020
Incoming Resources					
Voluntary income		240	60	300	298
Activities for generating funds		545	-	545	-
Grants		-	-	-	-
Investment income		1	-	1	2
Other Income		48	-	48	57
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		834	60	894	357
Resources Expended					
Charitable activities		103	-	103	453
Governance costs		238	-	238	231
Total Resources Expended	•	341	-	341	684
Net (Expenditure)/ Income for	•				
the Year		493	60	553	(327)
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General Reserve Brought Forward		3,640	256	3,896	4,223
Transfer Reserves		316	(316)	-	-
General Reserve Carried	•	·			3,896
Forward		4,449		4,449	

#### **Balance Sheet As At 31 December 2021**

	Notes	2021	2020
Current Assets Cash at bank and in hand		4,449	3,896
Current Liabilities Provisions		-	-
Net Current Assets		4,449	3,896
Represented by			
Unrestricted Funds		4,449	3,640
Restricted Funds	Note 5	-	256
		4,449	3,896

For the year ending 31 December 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

#### Trustees' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements were approved and signed by the Trustees on 3 February 2022.

**Bruce Nowell** 

Trustee (Treasurer)

The notes on page 8 form part of these financial statements

#### **Bradwell Community Orchard Group**

#### Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the cash accounting system, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective 2008) and in accordance with SORP on accounting for charities.

#### Income

The Income shown in the Income and Expenditure account represents amounts received during the year.

#### 2. Tax on Surplus on ordinary activities

Taxation	2021	2020
Current taxation	-	-
UK Corporation tax	-	-

#### 3. Tangible fixed assets

There are no tangible fixed assets.

#### 4. Related party transactions

There are no related party transactions.

#### 5. Restricted Funds

	31.12.2020	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfer Between Funds £	31.12.2021 £
Orchard Development Grants	0			•	0
Bee Hive Fund	, 256	60		316	0
Total Restricted Funds	256	60	0	316	0

#### ACCOUNT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

I report on the accounts for the Year ended 31 December 2021 as set out on pages 1 to 8.

As described on the balance sheet, the Board of Trustees of the company are responsible for the preparation of the accounts for the Year ended 31 December 2021, set out on pages 1 to 8.

You consider that the company is exempt from an audit under the Companies Act.

In accordance with your instructions I have examined these unaudited accounts in order to assist you to fulfil your statutory responsibilities, using the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to me.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention, to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



#### Emma Dalrymple ACA

Brookside House Brookside Bradwell Hope Valley S33 9HF

Date 12 April 2022

# THE BRADWELL COMMUNITY ORCHARD GROUP INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	2020
Income				
Membership Subscriptions	235		235	230
Donations	5		5	20
Grants	-		-	-
Bee Hive Project	60	•	60	48
Bank Deposit Interest	1		1	2
Gift Aid	48		48	57
	349		349	357
Activities for Generating Funds				
Income	545		545	-
Cost				
	545		545	-
Total Income	894		894	357
Charitable Activities				
Plants and Fertilisers etc	33		33	83
Fencing and Walling etc	-		-	-
Equipment	-		-	226
Bee Hives	-		-	31
Other Direct Expenses	70		70	113
	103		103	453
Governance				
Printing and Stationery	-		-	-
Insurance	225		225	218
Professional Fees	13		13	13
	238		238	231
Total Expenditure	341		341	684
Surplus (Deficit) for the Year	553		553	(327)