



Blurton Farm Residents Association

TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT 1st November 2007 TO 31st March 2009
Company No 5959011

This was a very busy year for Blurton Farm Residents Association. We moved into larger premises early in 2008 after delays by planning problems. Our new building is far larger than the previous one and houses a Learning Centre for 12 persons, a meeting room, 2 offices and one reception area. It is compliant with the Disability Discrimination Act, which the old building was not, and is accessible to all.

Our Learning Centre has been open since May 2008 and we have completed three successful Information Technology courses and six more courses currently under way. We run an Essential Skills course every Monday and this will be ongoing throughout the year. Researching your family tree has been fully subscribed. The local Job, Employment and Training (JET) project uses the centre for job search and helping clients with an up to date C V. Computer for beginners, Surfing the net, and more Word processing have all been well attended. In the future we are expecting to have referrals from the Employment Service and the local Job, Employment and Training (JET) project. Also with support from the Adult and Community Learning we will soon be offering a much more varied range of both vocational and recreational courses.

A number of our volunteers have received formal training to work with our existing projects which has ensured the sustainability of all our programmes. We were able to have the services of professional speakers and organisations to give advice to our elderly members of the community – health visitors, warm front home experts, help the aged and benefit consultants. We have worked closely with the local JET programme and this is a relatively new initiative to the Blurton area. We anticipate building on this for the next year.

Through the training and support we have provided to our client groups, we have been able to increase social and educational skills and self confidence. By forming a close partnership with the local Authority, we have been able to ensure that all the residents have ample opportunity to discuss any local issues e.g. housing, anti-social behaviour etc. with representatives of various bodies – police, housing officers, councillors, regeneration officers and our local MP.

Blurton Farm Residents Association has been an integral part of the major regeneration of the Ingestre Square area, playing a major role on the Blurton Area Regeneration Steering Group thus ensuring that the residents are well represented on all issues regarding change in their community.

WEDNESDAY



A08 17/03/2010 236
COMPANIES HOUSE

Mrs. C Pratt
31.3.09
Director

On a lighter note, we had two outings to Blackpool and one to Liverpool and we held a Christmas party for 60 pensioners

Over the last year we provided services for

127 Children and Young People

95 Elderly Persons

11 Local Organisations

235 Members of the General Public

We have also assisted four unemployed people into jobs

We have helped 24 people to complete CV's/Application forms etc

We have provided training for 73 people

Blurton Farm Residents Association have continued in raising the profile of the Blurton Farm estate in a positive way both by achieving our objectives and addressing local issues on behalf of our residents. We will continue to work on behalf of our community and we look forward to the regeneration of the area we live in

I would like to thank all who have supported us especially our dedicated volunteers without whose commitment many of our projects would struggle to survive

CHRISTINE PRATT

Charity Director

Ms. C Pratt
31.3.09
Director

BLURTON FARM RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION - COMPANY NO. 05959011

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD 1ST NOVEMBER 2007 TO 31ST MARCH 2009

RECEIPTS

Grants received	57022 70	
Bank Interest	567 76	
Cafe Income	562 80	
Advertiser Receipts	990 00	
Crafts Receipts	771 00	
Events and Fundraising	954 30	
Climbing World	1045 00	
Miscellaneous Income	432 40	
Room Hire	225 00	
Rent	1108 63	
Trips	<u>1545 53</u>	
Total Receipts		65225 12

PAYMENTS

Wages	32356 32	
Trips and Events	2138 34	
Refreshments	2078 46	
Training	90	
Repairs and maintenance	2024 09	
Telephone & Internet	2473 95	
Travel	621 91	
Bank Charges	247 14	
Stationery/Office Expenses	1734 68	
Rent and Room Hire	3651 23	
Premises Costs	4505 14	
Utilities	1176 43	
Gifts	307 71	
Computer Costs	27342 51	
IT Costs	69 09	
Professional Charges	196	
Insurance	2304 29	
Miscellaneous Expenditure	<u>477 21</u>	
Total Payments		83794.50

Deficit for Period -18569 38

BALANCES B/FWD

Bank Current Account	5196 31	
Bank - Funders Account	36705 81	
Petty Cash	208 51	
Petty Cash - Funders	164 83	
Deficit for Period	<u>-18569 38</u>	

BALANCE C/FWD

23706.08

REPRESENTED BY

Bank Current Account	6879 31	
Bank - Funders Account	16406 81	
Petty Cash	109 61	
Petty Cash - Funders	<u>310 35</u>	

TOTAL

23706 08

19 4 09
Ms. C Pratt
Director

BLURTON FARM RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION - Company Number 05959011

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2009

	2009
FIXED ASSETS	
Fixed Assets	<u>0</u> 0
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash at Bank	6879 31
Cash at Bank-Funders	16406 81
Petty Cash	109 61
Petty Cash-Funders	<u>310 35</u>
Total	23706 08
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Creditors and accruals	0
NET CURRENT ASSETS	23706 08
NET ASSETS	23706.08
Represented by -	
Unrestricted Funds	6988 92
Restricted Funds	<u>16717 16</u>
Total	23706.08

For the period starting 1st November 2007 to 31st March 2009, the company was entitled to exemption under section 249a(1) of the Companies Act 1985. No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 249b(2). The directors acknowledge their responsibility for

- Ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221, and
- Preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts so far as applicable to the company

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 19 04 09 and signed on its behalf by -

Mrs C Pratt Director

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT *Company NO 05959011*

REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BLURTON FARM RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2009

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- Examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the Act)
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act), and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiners statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- 1 Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act, and
 - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

Have not been met, or

- 2 To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Signed



D L Hefferon
Finance Officer
Voluntary Action Stoke on Trent

Dated 19 04 09

*Mrs C Pratt
Director*