



Meeting of the

KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITY BOARD

Wednesday, 7 November 2007 at 4.30 p.m.

A G E N D A

VENUE

M72, 7th Floor, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London,
E14 2BG

Members:

Chair:

Vice-Chair:

Councillor Ohid Ahmed	(Lead Member, Regeneration, Localisation and Community Partnerships)
Councillor Abdul Asad	(Lead Member, Older People & Health)
Councillor Rupert Bawden	(Lead Member, Housing and Development)
Councillor Clair Hawkins	(Lead Member, Children's Services)
Councillor Sirajul Islam	(Deputy Leader of the Council)
Councillor Denise Jones	(Leader of the Council)
Councillor Shiria Khatun	(Lead Member, Culture)
Councillor Joshua Peck	(Lead Member, Resources and Performance)
Councillor Abdal Ullah	(Lead Member, Cleaner, Safer, Greener)
Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman	(Lead Member, Health and Wellbeing)

[Note: The quorum for this body is 3 Members].

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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS
KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITY BOARD

Wednesday, 7 November 2007

4.30 p.m.

SECTION ONE

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2007/2008

To receive nominations for election of Chair for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2007/2008.

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2007/2008

To receive nominations for election of Vice-Chair for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2007/2008.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To note any declarations of interest made by Members, including those restricting Members from voting on the questions detailed in Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992.

Note from the Chief Executive

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, Members must declare any **personal interests** they have in any item on the agenda or as they arise during the course of the meeting. Members must orally indicate to which item their interest relates. If a Member has a personal interest he/she must also consider whether or not that interest is a **prejudicial personal interest** and take the necessary action. When considering whether or not they have a declarable interest, Members should consult pages 195 to 198 of the Council's Constitution. Please note that all Members present at a Committee meeting (in whatever capacity) are required to declare any personal or prejudicial interests.

A **personal interest** is, generally, one that would affect a Member (either directly or through a connection with a relevant person or organisation) more than other people in London, in respect of the item of business under consideration at the meeting. If a member of the public, knowing all the relevant facts, would view a Member's personal interest in the item under consideration as so substantial that it would appear likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest, then the Member has a **prejudicial personal interest**.

Consequences:

- If a Member has a **personal interest**: he/she must declare the interest but can stay, speak and vote.

- If the Member has **prejudicial personal interest**: he/she must declare the interest, cannot speak or vote on the item and must leave the room.

When declaring an interest, Members are requested to specify the nature of the interest, the particular agenda item to which the interest relates and to also specify whether the interest is of a personal or personal and prejudicial nature. This procedure is designed to assist the public's understanding of the meeting and is also designed to enable a full entry to be made in the Statutory Register of Interests which is kept by the Service Head, Democratic Services on behalf of the Monitoring Officer.

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5. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES		
To confirm as a correct record of the proceedings the unrestricted minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 24 th April 2007.	1 - 2	
6. TERMS OF REFERENCE		
Members to note the terms of reference of the King George's Fields Charity Board.	3 - 4	
7. MILE END PARK & KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITABLE TRUST ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2006/07		
7.1 King George's Field, Mile End Park (Pages 9 - 20)		
7.2 King George's Field, Tredegar Square Gardens (Pages 21 - 30)		
8. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC		

In view of the contents of the remaining items on the agenda the Committee is recommended to adopt the following motion:

"That, under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972."

EXEMPT SECTION (Pink Papers)

The exempt committee papers in the agenda will contain information, which is commercially, legally or personally sensitive and should not be divulged to third parties. If you do not wish to retain these papers after the meeting, please hand them to the Committee Officer present.

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9. EXEMPT MINUTES

To confirm as an accurate record of the proceedings the exempt minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 24th April 2007.

**10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR
CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT**

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITY BOARD

HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON TUESDAY, 24 APRIL 2007

**COMMITTEE ROOM, M72, 7TH FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5
CLOVE CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG**

Members Present:

Councillor Sirajul Islam (Chair)

Councillor Ohid Ahmed
Councillor Abdul Asad
Councillor Denise Jones
Councillor Abdal Ullah

Officers Present:

Suki Binjal – (Interim Head of Non-Contentious Team, Legal Services)
Michael Rowan – (Director of Mile End Park)
Simmi Yesmin – (Democratic Services)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Helal Abbas, Rupert Bawden, Joshua Peck and Lutfur Rahman.

Apologies for lateness was also received on behalf of Councillor Abdal Ullah.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Terms of Reference was noted.

4. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the unrestricted minutes of the King George's Fields Charity Board held on 16th January 2007 be approved and signed by the Chair, as a correct record of the proceedings.

5. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contained information defined as exempt or confidential in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government, Act 1972.

The meeting ended at 8.30 p.m.

Chair, Councillor Sirajul Islam
King George's Field Charity Board

KING GEORGE'S FIELDS CHARITY BOARD

1. Title

The body shall be known as The King George's Fields Charity Board.

2. Membership

The membership of this body shall comprise all members of the Cabinet.

3. Quorum

The quorum of the Boards meetings shall be three members of the Board.

4. Chair

The Chair and Vice Chair shall be elected by the Board for the duration of the Municipal Year.

5. Terms of Reference

- (1) To administer the affairs of the King George's Fields Charity and discharge all duties of the Council as sole trustee of the Charity.
- (2) To administer the affairs and discharge the duties of trustee of such other Charities controlled by the Council as the Cabinet might authorise by resolution.

6. Cycle of meetings

Meetings of this body are held as and when required.

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Agenda Item 7

COMMITTEE King George's Fields Charity Board	DATE 7th November 2007	CLASSIFICATION Unrestricted	REPORT NO.	AGENDA ITEM NO.
REPORT OF Corporate Director Environment & Culture ORIGINATING OFFICER Luke Cully		TITLE Mile End Park & King George's Fields Charitable Trust Annual Accounts 2006/2007		

1. **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report provides details of the annual accounts for the Mile End Park and King George's Fields Charitable Trust for the 2006/2007 financial year.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

King George's Fields Charity Board is recommended to:-

- 2.1 Agree the final accounts for the Mile End Park and King George's Fields Charitable Trust for 2006/2007 financial year.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2000 (SECTION 97)
LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT**

Brief Description of background papers

***Name and telephone number
of holder and address where
open to inspection***

Accounting Files and Records

*Luke Cully 5221
4th Floor Anchorage House*

3.0 **BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 There is a duty under the Charities Act 1993 to produce an annual report and accounts to the Charities Commission. The accounts must be endorsed by the Trustees and submitted to the Charities Commission by no later than the 31st January in the year following the closure of accounts.
- 3.2 The accounts relate to Mile End Park, (which includes Stepney Green and Whitehorse Road Open Space) and Tredegar Square Gardens. From the accounts attached at Appendix A, Members will see that the Mile End Park account recorded a net operating surplus of £48,003 for the year and Tredegar Square Gardens achieved a balanced position. The major expenditures and income as outlined within the account are as follows:-

Expenditure

Salaries

These relate to the Director of Mile End Park and Park Ranger Staff who assist in managing the facilities.

Employee Related Expenditure

This relates to insurance for staff engaged in activity of managing the facilities.

Repairs and Maintenance

This includes all repairs to buildings, trees and fences, and grounds maintenance costs.

Energy and Water

This relates to electricity, gas and water services.

Other Services

This relates to refuse collection and disposal, transport, printing and cleaning.

Communications

This relates to telephones and mobile 'phones.

Stock and Equipment

This relates to the purchase of equipment and materials.

Fees & Insurance

This relates to the insurance of the park buildings and fees payable to consultants.

Advertising & Publicity

This relates to the costs of advertising and publicity for events.

Receipts

The major income items are commercial rents generated from shop lettings at Mile End Park, railway arch rentals and a contribution from the Council's General Fund Cultural Services Budget.

4. **CONCLUSION**

- 4.1 The outturn position of the Mile End Park Annual Accounts for 2006/2007 produced an operating surplus of £48,003 and for King George's Fields Charitable Trust a break even position. To comply with Charities Commission's conditions the Board are asked to note and endorse these accounts, and agree their submission to the Charities Commission.

5. **COMMENTS OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

- 5.1 The comments of the chief financial officer have been incorporated into this report.

6 **RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 Specific Risks relating to financial management are recorded and progress is monitored through the directorate Risk Register processes.

7. **CONCURRENT REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (LEGAL)**

- 7.1 The Charity in law has a separate legal existence from the Council but the Council remains the legal owner of the land as trustee for the Charity. In consequence the Charity receives the proceeds of fees and rents etc. as income as well as any money received from the Council.
- 7.2 There is a duty on all charities to lodge accounts in a prescribed form with the Charity Commission. This is imposed by section 48 Charities Act 1993. The accounts have to be drawn up and approved by trustees each year in a form prescribed by regulations.
- 7.3 There is a statutory duty on the Council as such to maintain and keep open the land within the two parks under Section 10 Open Spaces Act 1906. However, this duty applies over a period and applies to the condition of the park not the financial arrangements. The Council is empowered to make what payments it sees fit to the Charity.

8. **ANTI POVERTY IMPLICATIONS**

- 8.1 There are no specific anti poverty implications emanating from this report.

9 **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 9.1 There are no specific equal opportunity implications emanating from this report.

10. **SUSTAINABLE ACTION FOR A GREENER ENVIRONMENT**

- 10.1 There are no specific implications for a greener environment emanating from this report.

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KING GEORGE'S FIELD, MILE END CHARITY NO 1077859

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES For The Year Ended 31 March 2007

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2007. The financial statements are subject to audit, and are shown on pages 6 to 8 of this report.

The legal and financial information set out below forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the constitution, and the Statement of Recommended Practice-Accounting and Reporting by Charities, as published by the Charities Commission in March, 2005.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

King George's Field Mile End is a registered charity. It is referred to throughout this report as the "Charity".

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The sole trustee of the Charity is the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, which delegates its responsibilities to a Committee called the King George's Field Trust Charity Board which directs the affairs of the Charity and acts as the Charity's trustees. The affairs of the Charity are directed by the Board of Trustees. The trustees meet formally annually or as and when strategic direction is required. For Mile End Park, the original master plan, directed by the Trustees, is in the final stages of implementation. There is a formal agenda for meetings which is agreed in advance between the Chair of the Trustees, who is also the Chair of the Mile End Park Partnership Board that meets quarterly. The day to day running of Mile End Park is delegated to the Director of the Mile End Park. The Chair of the Trustees is also the Chair of the Mile End Park Partnership which comprises two other bodies and the local authority. That board meets quarterly, and examines the progress made in the park. The original Trust Deed, and the subsequent variations, which are referred to below, also dealt with the use of other open space and park areas, within what is now the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. These other areas are managed by other Council employees.

The members of the King George's Fields Trust Charity Board are also those Councillors who are, for the time being, the Cabinet members of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Mile End Park has its own Annual Service Plan that covers, amongst other matters, the major strategic, business and operational risks. That Plan is peer-reviewed, and was published on the Council's web-site during 2006/2007. In respect of the other park and open space areas, the Council has similar strategies to deal with business and operational risks. The Charity Board is satisfied that systems are in place to monitor

and control all areas where there is an identifiable risk with financial, operational, or reputational implications.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITY

The Charity's objectives are set out in the Trust Deed, dated 9th November, 1965, and a Deed of Variation dated 29th January, 1997. They are as follows:

To preserve in perpetuity the covenanted land and to apply the land to such charitable purposes as are set out in the Recreational Charities Act 1958, including the construction of indoor recreational facilities, subject to the approval of the National Playing Fields Association and the Charity Commission in respect of any additional purposes.

Generally, the Charity maintains the area of Mile End Park as a park and open space for the recreation of the general public, including but not limited to the inhabitants of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. The other park and open space areas are managed to achieve similar objectives

In detail, the following activities were carried out in Mile End Park during the year ending 31 March 2007, which also include references to the plans for future periods.

Capital Works

Works were carried out to repair the paving overlooking the Ecology Park and at the same time the fence line was reconfigured to take more of the footpath into the park (at a cost of £16,000). New mobile screens for hanging work were bought for the Art Pavilion (£8,000). The footpath and roadway leading to the children's play park and linking the sports park to the Go Karts area was tarmacked in order to give a smoother ride to those in wheelchairs or buggies (£25,000) A new fantasy room was developed in the children's play park which is accessed via a wardrobe (Narnia theme) (at a cost of £2,000). New lampposts were installed along a path that was well used but very dark (£12,000). Railings were installed around the base of the art mound to deter cyclists and quad bikers from riding down the mound and colliding with pedestrians. The Adventure Base was built as the third part of the Adventure Park development. (£200,000) A bespoke piece of play equipment was designed and installed in line with a play audit carried out earlier in the year. The piece consists of a wooden bridge, swing and a tree stake forest in which children can hang hammocks and make their own dens using material and eye hooks embedded in the poles (£7,000) The capital expenditure was funded by the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, with contributions from other national and local organisations. The work was supervised by Council staff and private consultants, and carried out by private contractors. As such, the expenditure is shown in the Council's accounts.

Resolving Design Issues

The bore hole has now been fully operational since June 2006 and so it can be said to be satisfactorily repaired. Previously it was necessary to use mains water (nutrient rich), which has led to the establishment of algae in the Ecology Lake and the Art Lake. This has continued to be tackled with the application of Barley Straw. This is a long term solution, and this year more aquatic plants were placed in the art lake, in a

bid to reduce the algae. It is too early to gauge the effectiveness of this approach. The terrace garden pool was again drained and thoroughly cleaned to allow the fountain pump to work correctly. This was very effective and has been built into the annual maintenance regime. The fountain jets have been replaced in order to improve the effectiveness of the cascade. The ongoing problem with the lighting system in the Arts Pavilion was finally resolved with the installation of a new above ground electrical system (£11,000) and it is intended to repair similar faults in the Ecology Pavilion and the Play Pavilion in the coming year.

Forums

The three forums were set up two years ago to cover the three main themes of the park, ecology, play and art have continued to operate. These are comprised of local experts and enthusiasts who give up their time to develop policy for the park. The Friends of Mile End Park are also represented on each forum. The forums continue to work well producing innovative ideas for the further development of the park, for example. Inclusive Play, or objectives attained more quickly than would perhaps have been attempted without the support of the Forum, for example the transformation of the Art Pavilion into an Art venue. The success of these projects is an example of power sharing within the park, and whilst responsibility rests entirely with the park director the forums continue to strongly influence policy. In the last year the Play Forum moved forward the bespoke piece of play equipment and the fantasy room mentioned above. It also was responsible for the establishment of play sessions for deaf children and their families. The Ecology Forum proposed the removal of a single species hedge to replace it with a mixed woodland hedge that will provide nuts, berries flowers for a range of wildlife as well as be more aesthetically pleasing. The Art Forum continues its plans to forge ahead with developing an art gallery in the park that will appeal to a new audience located in the local community. In 2006 the Art Forum held its first Community Art Show in which any artist could submit an entry. The show ran for a month and attracted seventy-six local artists.

Transforming the park into a community resource

Every activity in the park is aimed at portraying the park as a community resource, as this is the one element of the park that will take the longest amount of time and there are few if any short cuts. Increased usage of the Play Pavilion was an important target and during the year we have added several more play sessions including craft sessions and sessions for deaf children and their families. The Rangers increased their strength from three to four and all have undertaken extensive training in play first aid and basic repair skills. The rangers continue to be a key component in the success of the park In 2006/2007, there were 540 corporate volunteers, which was above the target of 500 corporate volunteers. Corporate volunteers continue to make a financial contribution of at least £10.00 per volunteer.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The net incoming resources for the year totalled £816,059, (£840, 969 in 2005/2006). This included a contribution from the London Borough of Tower Hamlets of £313,850 (£321,105 in 2005/2006). The Charity made a surplus of £48,003. This amount will be carried forward.

The Charity continued to rely on a number of sources for its income, in addition to the financial contribution from the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. Within Mile End Park, these included Commercial Rents from properties located in the Green Bridge shops, and fees and charges from the letting of other facilities in the park, e.g. Connexions, Electric Go-Karts, and the hire of pavilions. The sources of income are shown in more detail in the attached financial report. There are no Restricted Funds or Endowment Funds, as defined within the Statement of Recommended Practice, 2005.

The Charity is grateful to all who provided it with funds to enable it to carry out its work within the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

The largest items of expenditure continue to be the cost of staff salaries, and the work of maintaining the park areas and buildings within them. Staff salaries accounted for £241,221 in 2006/2007 (31% of total resources expended, compared with £224,102 in 2005/2006 or 27%). Repairs and maintenance accounted for £269,921 (35% of total resources expended, compared with £289,633 in 2005/2006, or 34%).

Full details of the Charity's revenue income and expenditure are given in the accompanying financial statements.

INVESTMENT POLICY AND PERFORMANCE

The Charity has no investments.

RESERVES POLICY

Since the sole trustee is the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, which meets in full the Charity's net expenditure, the Charity's funding is secured. In previous years, the Trust Charity Board has therefore not needed to set up any financial reserves to protect against any unforeseen fluctuations in income or expenditure. In 2006/2007, there was a surplus of income over expenditure. This amount will be carried forward to meet any deficit of expenditure over income in 2007/2008 or later years.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trust Charity Board is required 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 Balance Sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements which give a true and fair view, the Board should follow best practice and

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- (b) make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- (c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue on that basis

The Board is responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, and to ensure that the financial statements comply with the relevant statutory requirements.

The Board is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the society, and are hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

THE CHARITY TRUST BOARD

The Board consisted of the following Councillors who served during the 2006/2007 year:

Councillor Denise Jones	Leader of the Council
Councillor Sirajul Islam	Deputy Leader of the Council
Councillor Helal U. Abbas	Lead Member, Children's Services
Councillor Ohid Ahmed	Lead Member, Regeneration, Localisation and Community Partnerships
Councillor Anwara Ali	Lead Member, Equalities, Employment and Skills
Councillor Abdul Asad	Lead Member, Older People and Health
Councillor Abdal Ullah	Lead Member, Cleaner, Safer, Greener
Councillor Joshua Peck	Lead Member, Resources and Performance
Councillor Lutfur Rahman	Lead Member, Culture
Councillor Rupert Bawden	Lead Member, Housing and Development

AUDITORS

The accounts for 2006/2007 are subject to audit. The Charity's auditors will be the Council's External Auditors, the auditors appointed by the Audit Commission, which is the District Audit service.

BANKERS

The Charity's bankers are the bankers for the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, which is the Co-operative Bank,

SOLICITORS.

The Charity's solicitors are the Legal Service of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

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**KING GEORGE'S FIELD, MILE END
CHARITY NO 1077859
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Including an Income & Expenditure Account)
For the year ended 31 March, 2007**

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	
	<u>2006/07</u>	<u>2005/06</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Railway Arch Rentals	89,684	98,348
Other Rentals	324,052	348,387
Other Lettings	63,309	32,846
Sponsorship & Donations	2,250	7,640
Multi-Pitch Income	15,454	26,343
Planned Works funding	-	-
Other Income	7,460	6,300
Cultural Services Revenue Contribution	313,850	321,105
Total Incoming Resources	<u>816,059</u>	<u>840,969</u>
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>		
Salaries	241,221	224,102
Employee Related Expenditure	16,488	2,133
Repairs & Maintenance	269,921	289,633
Energy and water	57,114	56,765
Other Services	96,154	95,444
Communications	2,652	4,187
Stock & Equipment	21,985	19,596
Fees & Insurance	61,111	144,610
NNDR	-	-
Advertising & Publicity	1,410	4,499
Total Resources Expended	<u>768,056</u>	<u>840,969</u>
Net Incoming/Outgoing Resources	<u>48,003</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Movement in Funds	<u>48,003</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</u>		
Total Funds Brought Forward	-	-
Total Funds Carried Forward	48,003	-

**KING GEORGE'S FIELD, MILE END
CHARITY NO 1077859
BALANCE SHEET**

As at 31 March, 2007

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS			
	<u>2006/2007</u>		<u>2005/2006</u>	
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Current Assets				
Debtors		209,575		159,897
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	60,063		69,759	
Receipts In Advance: falling due within one year	101,509	161,572	90,138	159,897
Net Current Assets		<u>48,003</u>		<u>-</u>
Funds		<u>48,003</u>		<u>-</u>

The figures for Debtors represents:

(a) the funding by the Council of the Creditors and Receipts In Advance, totalling £161,572; and
(b) the funding by the Council of the surplus of net incoming resources over resources expended in 2006/2007 of £48,003, that has been carried forward.

All transactions pass through the Council's accounts.

**KING GEORGE'S FIELD, MILE END
CHARITY NO 1077859
CASH FLOW STATEMENT
For The Year Ended 31 March,2007**

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	
	<u>2006/2007</u>	<u>2005/2006</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Net Cash Flow From Operating Activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
 <u>Reconciliation of net incoming resources to net cash flow</u>		
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Net Incoming/Outgoing resources for the year	48,003	-
(Increase)/Decrease in Debtors	(49,678)	(53,394)
Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors & Receipts in Advance	1,675	53,394
Net Cash Flow From Operating Activities	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>

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**KING GEORGE'S FIELD, MILE END
CHARITY NO 1077859**

**Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 31 March 2007**

1 Accounting Policies

- a) The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with appropriate accounting standards. They follow the recommendations in the Statement of Recommended Practice-Accounting and Reporting by Charities, issued in March, 2005 (the SORP).
- b) Income is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is receivable. Fees, charges and rents are accounted for as income at the date the Charity provides the relevant services.
- c) There are no restricted funds, within the definition contained in the 2005 SORP. Incoming resources are therefore used for any of the Charity's purposes.
- d) Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Resources expended exclude VAT which is recoverable by the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.
- e) Where income or expenditure has been recognised but cash has not been received or paid, a debtor or creditor the relevant amount is recorded in the balance sheet.
- f) Employees working in the Mile End Park and at other parks and open spaces are Council employees. They are eligible to join the Local Government Pension Scheme administered by the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

2 Staff Costs and Numbers

Staff costs were as follows:	2006/2007	2005/2006
Salaries	£201,831	£188,279
National Insurance	£18,509	£16,987
Pension Contributions	£20,881	£18,836
Total	£241,221	£224,102

One employee received more than £60,000 during the year (2005/2006 one)
The average weekly number of employees during the year was as follows (full-time equivalents)

2006/2007	2005/2006
6.05	5.66

3 Taxation.

The Charity does not pay any tax on its activities, and statutory requirements relating to the payment of tax are not applicable.

4 Fixed Assets.

No fixed assets are shown in the Charity's accounts. Any capital expenditure on the construction and improvement of assets in Mile End Park or the other parks and open spaces is shown in the accounts of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, together with the financing of those construction and improvement works.

5 Creditors.

Amounts Falling Due Within One Year:

	2006/2007	2005/2006
Trade Creditors	£60,063	£69,759
Receipts In Advance	£101,509	£90,138
Total	£161,572	£159,897

6 Debtors

	2006/2007	2005/2006
Commercial and other rentals		
Other	£209,575	£159,897
Total	£209,575	£159,897

In 2006/2007, Other Debtors represent the Council's funding

(a) of the creditors and receipts in advance, totalling £161,572; and

(b) of the surplus of the net incoming resources over resources expended in 2006/2007 of £48,003, that has been carried forward.

In 2005/2006, Other Debtors represented the Council's funding of the creditors and receipts in advance.

**KING GEORGE'S FIELD, STEPNEY (TREDEGAR SQUARE,
BOW)
CHARITY NO 1088999**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
For The Year Ended 31 March 2007**

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2007. The financial statements are subject to audit, and are shown on pages 4 to 8 of this report.

The legal and financial information set out below forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the constitution, and the Statement of Recommended Practice-Accounting and Reporting by Charities, as published by the Charities Commission in March, 2005.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

King George's Field, Stepney (Tredegar Square, Bow) is a registered charity. It is referred to throughout this report as the "Charity".

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The sole trustee of the Charity is the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, which delegates its responsibilities to a Committee of the Council called the King George's Fields Trust Charity Board which directs the affairs of the Charity and acts as the Charity's trustees. The affairs of the Charity are directed by the Board of Trustees. The trustees meet formally annually or as and when strategic direction is required. The Square is managed by Council employees of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

The members of the King George's Fields Trust Charity Board are also those Councillors who are, for the time being, the Cabinet members of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

RISK ASSESSMENT

The Council has strategies to deal with business and operational risks. The Charity Board is satisfied that systems are in place to monitor and control all areas where there is an identifiable risk with financial, operational, or reputational implications.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITY

Tredegar Square Gardens is located in the Bow West Ward of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. The gardens and surrounding area are a designated Conservation Area for planning and development purposes.

The object of the Charity is the maintenance of the gardens for the use and enjoyment of the public.

The gardens are approximately 0.5 hectares in area, and are formally laid out to grass, shrub beds, hedges and rose beds.

The gardens are maintained by the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. Horticultural maintenance is carried out regularly to an annual programme of works, and includes the pruning of shrubs, roses and hedges, weed control on beds and paths, grass cutting and maintenance of tree bases. Arboricultural work is carried out on an as required basis with the health and safety of the trees given a high priority. Bins and benches are provided for use by visitors and cleansing takes place frequently; normally daily.

The gardens are open during daylight hours. Park rangers and security staff patrol lock and unlock the gardens throughout the year.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The net incoming resources for the year totalled £8,195 (£10,291 in 2005/2006). This represented the revenue contribution from the London Borough of Tower Hamlets equal to the costs incurred. As a result of this contribution, the Charity made neither a surplus nor a deficit for the financial year.

Full details of the Charity's revenue income and expenditure are given in the accompanying financial statements.

INVESTMENT POLICY AND PERFORMANCE

The Charity has no investments, since there are no surplus funds.

RESERVES POLICY

Since the sole trustee is the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, which meets in full the Charity's net expenditure, the Charity's funding is secured. The Trust Charity Board therefore does not need to set up any financial reserves to protect against any unforeseen fluctuations in income.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trust Charity Board are required 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 Balance Sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements which give a true and fair view, the Board should follow best practice and

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- (b) make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent

(c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements

(d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue on that basis

The Board is responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, and to ensure that the financial statements comply with the relevant statutory requirements.

The Board is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the society, and are hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

THE CHARITY TRUST BOARD

The Board consisted of the following Councillors who served during the 2006/2007 year:

Councillor Denise Jones	Leader of the Council
Councillor Sirajul Islam	Deputy Leader of the Council
Councillor Helal U. Abbas	Lead Member, Children's Services
Councillor Ohid Ahmed	Lead Member, Regeneration, Localisation and Community Partnerships
Councillor Anwara Ali	Lead Member, Equalities, Employment and Skills
Councillor Abdul Asad	Lead Member, Older People and Health
Councillor Abdal Ullah	Lead Member, Cleaner, Safer, Greener
Councillor Joshua Peck	Lead Member, Resources and Performance
Councillor Lutfur Rahman	Lead Member, Culture
Councillor Rupert Bawden	Lead Member, Housing and Development

AUDITORS

The accounts for 2006/2007 are subject to audit. The Charity's auditors will be the Council's External Auditors, the auditors appointed by the Audit Commission, which is the District Audit service.

BANKERS.

The Charity's bankers are the bankers for the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, which is the Co-operative Bank.

SOLICITORS

The Charity's solicitors are the Legal Service of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

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KING GEORGE'S FIELD, STEPNEY (TREDEGAR SQUARE BOW)
CHARITY NO 1088999
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Including an Income & Expenditure Account)
For the year ended 31 March, 2007

	See Note	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	
		<u>2006/07</u>	<u>2005/06</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Cultural Services Revenue Contribution		8,195	10,291
Total Incoming Resources		<u>8,195</u>	<u>10,291</u>
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>			
Salaries	1, 2	1,125	1,565
Repairs & Maintenance		7,070	8,726
Total Resources Expended		<u>8,195</u>	<u>10,291</u>
Net Incoming/Outgoing Resources		<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
Net Movement in Funds		<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
<u>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</u>			
Total Funds Brought Forward		-	-
Total Funds Carried Forward		-	-

**KING GEORGE'S FIELD, STEPNEY (TREDEGAR SQUARE BOW)
CHARITY NO 1088999
BALANCE SHEET**

As at 31 March, 2007

	See Note	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	
		<u>2006/07</u>	<u>2005/06</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors	1,6	-	-
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1,5	-	-
Net Current Assets		<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>

**KING GEORGE'S FIELD, STEPNEY (TREDEGAR SQUARE BOW)
 CHARITY NO 1088999
 CASH FLOW STATEMENT
 For The Year Ended 31 March,2007**

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	
	<u>2006/07</u>	<u>2005/06</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Net Cash Flow From Operating Activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
 <u>Reconciliation of net incoming resources to net cash flow</u>		
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Net Incoming/Outgoing resources for the year	-	-
(Increase)/Decrease in Debtors	-	-
Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors	-	-
Net Cash Flow From Operating Activities	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>

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**KING GEORGE'S FIELD, STEPNEY (TREDEGAR SQUARE, BOW)
CHARITY NO 1088999**

**Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 31 March 2007**

1 Accounting Policies

- a) The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with appropriate accounting standards. They follow the recommendations in the Statement of Recommended Practice-Accounting and Reporting by Charities, issued in March, 2005 (the SORP).
- b) Income is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is receivable.
- c) There are no restricted funds, within the definition contained in the 2005 SORP. Incoming resources are therefore used for any of the Charity's purposes.
- d) Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Resources expended exclude VAT which is recoverable by the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.
- e) Where income or expenditure has been recognised but cash has not been received or paid, a debtor or creditor the relevant amount is recorded in the balance sheet.
- f) Employees working in Tredegar Square are Council employees. They are eligible to join the Local Government Pension Scheme administered by the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. The staff costs are the apportioned costs of several Council employees (including employer's National Insurance and pension fund contributions).

2 Staff Costs

Staff costs were as follows:	2006/2007	2005/2006
Total	£1,125	£1,565

These apportioned costs represent the small amounts of time spent by Council staff on duties connected with the maintenance and security of the park. No employee connected with this work received more than £60,000 in either 2006/2007 or 2005/2006.

3 Taxation.

The Charity does not pay any tax on its activities, since in any financial year, expenditure equals income, and statutory requirements relating to the payment of tax are not applicable.

4 Fixed Assets.

No fixed assets are shown in the Charity's accounts. Any capital expenditure on the construction and improvement of assets in Tredegar Square would be shown in the accounts of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, together with the financing of those construction and improvement works.

5 Creditors.

Amounts Falling Due Within One Year:

	2006/2007	2005/2006
Trade Creditors	nil	nil
Receipts In Advance	nil	nil
Total	nil	nil

6 Debtors

	2006/2007	2005/2006
Commercial and other rentals	nil	nil
Payments in advance	nil	nil
Total	nil	nil