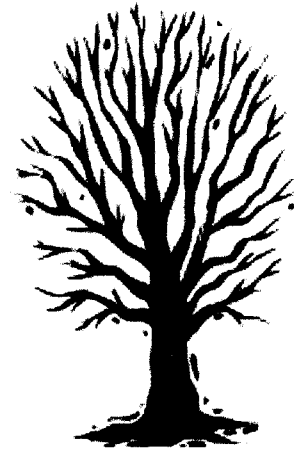


**Friends of the Meadows and
Bruntsfield Links**

SCIO no. SC 045955
3 Glengyle Terrace, Edinburgh
EH3 9LL. www.fombl.org.uk
Tel. 0131 228 6998



3 February 2017

To:
OSCR, 2nd Floor, Quadrant House,
9 Riverside Drive,
Dundee DD1 4NY

Dear OSCR

I have pleasure in enclosing our Annual Report and Accounts, which have been signed by our Treasurer, [REDACTED] and also our Auditor, [REDACTED] as well as by myself.

As you know, this is our first report as a SCIO, and I'm afraid we didn't get it in the correct format first time round. I do hope that we have now met your requirements. I have also enclosed documents for all the new Trustees who have joined since 3 September 2015.

I am also sending a set by email, which is not signed.

Please let me know as soon as possible if all is now correct.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

Convener, Friends of the Meadows & Bruntsfield Links
email [REDACTED]

APPENDIX 1



Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

		Period start date			Period end date		
		Day	Month	Year			
From					To		

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Friends of the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC 045955
Charity's principal address	3 Glengyle Terrace Edinburgh
	Postcode EH3 9LL

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1		Convener		FOMBL AGM
2		Secretary	from June 2016	"
3		Treasurer	from June 2016	"
4		Membership Sec.		"
5				
6				
7		Volunteer Coordinator	from June 2016	
8			from June 2016	
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
[REDACTED]	resigned August 2016 (now resident elsewhere)
[REDACTED]	resigned September 2016 (moved house)
[REDACTED]	resigned June 2016 owing to other commitments

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Constitution (approved by OSCR)

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Trustees are recruited from the membership, which includes those with particular skills and experience. E.g. our present Treasurer is a retired banker. Our newsletter editor (and Convener) has experience of editing in educational publishing.

Objectives and activities

To promote the historical value of the area, its scenic, architectural, landscape and ecological qualities for the enjoyment of people living in and visiting the area.

To encourage conservation, protect, enhance and improve the landscape, biodiversity and sustainable use for the benefit of people and wildlife.

To engage and involve the local community in environmental issues and action, through information exchange, educational and practical activities.

Powers

- Raising funds through grants, donations or borrowing.
- Liaising and working with other organisations
- Buying, hiring or selling equipment and property
- Employing staff

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

During the past year we have achieved much in the way of improving the environment. First, we obtained funding from the South Central Neighbourhood Partnership for a new double-sized noticeboard, which has been installed at a crucial entry point to the Meadows, at the north entrance to Middle Meadow Walk, where hundreds of people pass daily. We also gained funding for a new garden and mini-bandstand in the same location.

We have continued to recruit volunteers for monthly work parties, and have achieved much in the way of tidying up the parks (litter picking, autumn leaf gathering, tree feathering, path edging, bulb planting, etc.) Some of this work (path edging) reduces the need for weedkiller to be used. We have also worked with a local school, George Heriot's, who have brought along Primary 6 children to help with various gardening tasks. The children have enjoyed the work.

Our voluntary work has been enhanced by the contribution of students from Edinburgh University, and our membership has doubled with the recruitment of all the students resident in Wrights Houses, which looks out onto Bruntsfield Links.

We have held three public meetings during the year: the first outlining the plan for the garden mentioned above; the second an illustrated talk by [REDACTED] of Floramedica entitled 'People Plants Places' about edible plants on the Meadows, and the third by [REDACTED] from the Royal Botanic Gardens on the subject: 'Making the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links better for biodiversity'

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

None held, wanted or required at present.

Details of any deficit

Not applicable at present.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

No facilities: services consist of volunteer work party contributions only.

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Other optional information

The City of Edinburgh Council decided that MABLAG (Meadows and Bruntsfield Links Advisory Group), which provided some support from Council officers for the work of FOMBL, was no longer needed, and that FOMBL could take over its duties. We therefore now have added responsibility for liaising with local community councils with an interest in the Meadows and Links (Tollcross Community Council, Merchiston Community Council, Marchmont and Sciennes Community Council, and Southside Community Council). We are taking this seriously and during the year had a successful inaugural meeting with representative from these groups. This liaison will continue.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

[Redacted signature]

Full name(s)

[Redacted full name]

Position (e.g. Chair) Convener

Date 3 February 2017

Accounts for the Period 3rd September, 2015 to 31st March, 2016 for OSCR

INCOME

Subscriptions (15)	£140.00
Donations - Edinburgh Students	£530.00
- Refreshments and Others	£127.67
CEC Community Grant - Noticeboards	£3,326.00
Totals	£4,123.67

EXPENDITURE

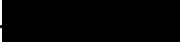
Hire of Halls	£65.00
Refreshments	£41.46
Printing and Photocopying	£520.13
Stationery, Postages and Ink Cartridges	£63.39
CEC Community Grant - Noticeboard Deposit	£607.50
Key Cutting	£23.80
Volunteer Waistcoats	£148.03
Totals	£1,469.31

Surplus for Period £2,654.36

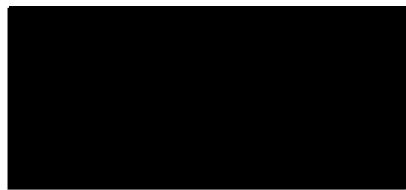
RECONCILIATION

Bank Balance at 3rd September, 2015 £2,540.47
 Surplus for Period £2,654.36

Bank Balance at 31st March, 2016 £5,194.83


Signed -  (Treasurer)

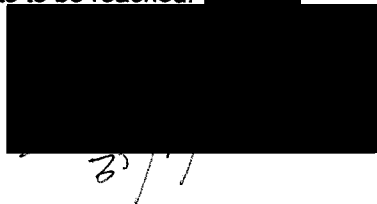
 (Chair)



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In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

 (Independent Examiner/Auditor)
 Manorgrove Ltd, 4a Lauriston Gardens, Edinburgh, EH3 9HJ.



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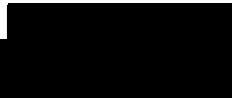
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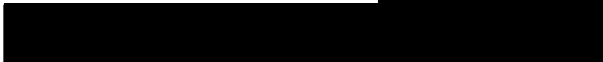


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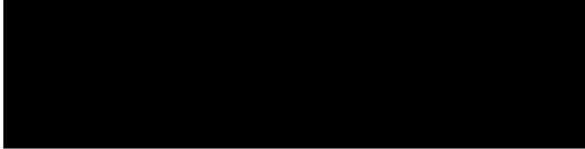
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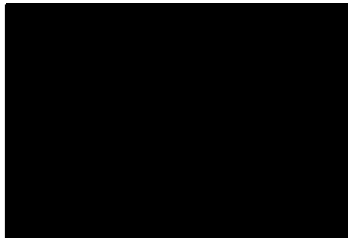
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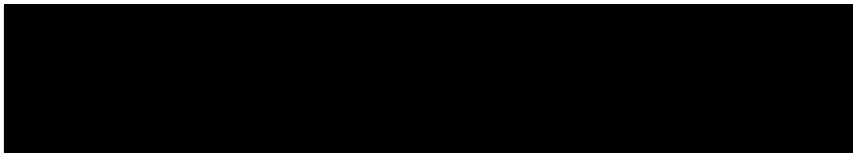
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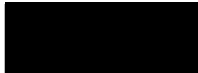


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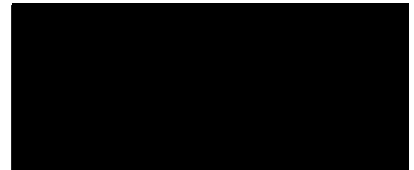
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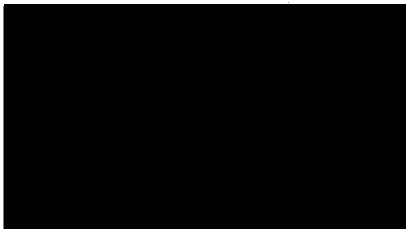
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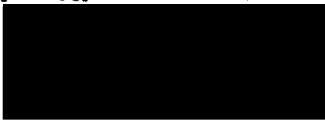
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