



FRIENDS OF
HAUGHTON
COUNTRY PARK

Trustees' Report 2025- 2026

Simone Sinclair
FOHP Chair

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The Track!



HAUGHTON PARK PUMP TRACK OFFICIAL OPENING EVENT SATURDAY 10th MAY FROM 10am

COME AND HELP US CELEBRATE!

**EXPERT LOCAL RIDER DEMOS
BBQ PROVIDED BY HAUGHTON HOLIDAY PARK
MEET THE FOHP TEAM, TRACK BUILDERS
AND OTHER LOCAL PROJECTS**

**ALL WELCOME
-YOUNG CHILDREN SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY PARENT/CARER
PLEASE WEAR A HELMET IF YOU'RE PLANNING TO RIDE**







Haughton Park PUMP TRACK

and all-ability trail

This free to use facility has been provided for the community by Friends of Haughton Park.

IS THIS FOR YOU?

PUMP TRACK	ALL ABILITY TRAIL
Fast rolling surface with varying size rollers with steep sided, tight turns. Designed to create speed and lift. Check before you ride. Basic, well maintained track or mountain bikes. Helmets compulsory. Gloves, knee and elbow pads recommended.	Relatively flat, wide and smooth trail. Includes medium rollers and berms with easily accessible features such as rocks. Check before you ride. Basic mountain bikes or hybrid bikes. Helmets compulsory.

- Ensure your bike is in good working order
- Give way to riders ahead, allow space for others
- Always wear a helmet, consider other protection
- Ride within your ability, stay in control
- Follow on track directional arrows
- Take care riding in wet conditions, tracks may be slippery
- Lower your bike seat for better control
- No motorbikes or electric scooters
- Respect other users of this facility
- Keep it clean Bin your litter
- Getting changed? Please do it discreetly
- Pedestrians and pets must not cross the track or trail when in use by riders

HOW DO I RIDE A PUMP TR

The goal is to get round the track without having to push. Momentum is gained by lifting and pushing your bike. The harder you push, the more speed you gain.

Approach in the attack position
Keep pedals level
Look ahead

Unweight your bike towards the top of the roller

TO RIDE A BERM
Keep pedals level
Look towards the exit of the curve
Keep your body weight low and centred over the track

Disclaimer: The pump track and trail are unsupervised. All persons (including non-users and spectators) using the facility do so at their own risk. Friends of Haughton Park accept no responsibility or liability for any damage, loss or personal injury that may arise from the use of the facility.

FRIENDS OF HAUGHTON COUNTRY PARK
Registered Charity 1222046

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Department for Culture and Sport

Aberdeenshire COUNCIL

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The national agency for sport

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The national agency for sport

Developing Mountain Biking in Scotland

SCOTTISH CYCLING

COMMUNITY FUND

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

THIS LOCATION: Playground Car Park, Haughton Country Park, AB15 8AW

GRID REFERENCE: N382165

WHAT THREE WORDS: Haughton Park

NEAREST A&E HOSPITAL: Foresterhill Road, Aberdeen

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY: Call 999

TELEPHONE: Good mobile phone coverage

REPORT INCIDENT TO: friends@haughtonpark@gmail.com

We did it!



Thanks supporters!

2025-2026...other achievements

- **Co-Op Community Fund:** Friends of Haughton park was delighted to again receive the support of the local co-op community fund.
 - This funded landscaping and planting around the new pump track... with more to come- we are incredibly grateful for this support!
 - **Dog Poo Signs-** Jodie Bews of Everlong Art designed some wonderful signs to encourage folks to pick up their dog's mess-they are now installed. These were kindly supported by funding from Donside Community Council.
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Saturday 8th November
HAUGHTON PARK

Meet at the Pump Track, 10:00 – 12:30

We need volunteers to help us to plant flowers, bulbs and trees, install signs and maintain the pump track. All ages welcome (U16s with an adult).

Please dress for the weather and bring gardening tools if you can!



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Supported by
Co-op Members





May 2025 - Deeside Thistle
hosted our first Pump Track
Race!

What's Next?

Get Involved with FOHP – Trustees needed now!

Would you like to see more events in the park?

Would you like to see further additions to the Pump Track?

Are you passionate about our community and want to make a real difference locally?

FOHP is looking for enthusiastic new Trustees to join our team and help support the work of the charity.

We need new folk to get involved and take the charity and some exciting potential projects to the next level. Without new people we may struggle to continue, which would be very sad, considering all we have achieved so far.

The charity started some 7 years ago to Protect, Promote and Enhance our beautiful local park. Since then, we've had a family fun day, held planting and pond dipping events, installed various information signs, and delivered the £300k Haughton Park Pump Track and All Ability Trail- which is free for all to use. All this work was carried out with just 4 Trustees, and the help of some willing volunteers. Just imagine what we could do with more people involved!

What's Next?

Get Involved with FOHP – Trustees needed now!

One of our dedicated original Trustees has moved on and others are looking to move on in the near future. Thankfully we've recently welcomed 2 wonderful new Trustees who are raring to go, but we now need more new people with energy and enthusiasm to join our fun and friendly Trustees team.

By getting involved, you can:

- Help shape the future of our projects
- Support local initiatives and community wellbeing
- Meet new people and gain valuable experience
- Give back to the place we all care about

We urgently need new people to come forward. Without additional Trustees it will become increasingly difficult for the charity to continue operating and maintaining projects, like the pump track, that so many people in the community enjoy.

Your support can help ensure these facilities remain open and available for everyone. Join our friendly. Fun group of Trustees!

Thanks for your support!

- None of this would be possible without the committed original FOHP Trustees: Vice Chair Alan Brodie, Treasurer Gloria Malcolm; Secretary Gillian Gibson and new Trustees- Secretary Jo Bagguley, and Debbie Brand; and Our other Trustees, Members and Volunteers: Thank you!
- The team at Aberdeenshire Council landscape services.
- Donside Community Council
- Aberdeenshire AVA
- Bridgeton Bookkeeping
- Haughton Holiday Park
- Jodie Bews of Everlong Art
- Donations from Gary Moyse @ REMAX City and Shire, Fired Up Pizzas, Deeside Thistle Cycling Club and Alford Bistro
- Munara Cycle Solutions
- Tyred and Cranky

Signed Chair – Simone Sinclair



Dated: 30/05/26



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Treasurers Report 2026

Gloria Malcolm
Treasurer

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Details!



Our Annual Accounts have reverted to Receipts & Payments format given we have income less than £250,000 this year – confirmed by OSCR, the Charities Regulator. We do, however, still have to show comparative figures.

Our Annual Report can revert to less formalised format also (as you can see)!

Money Money Money!



Account opened at the start of the financial year with £9,703.66 and closed at the end of the financial year with £7,394.50

Income for the year = £1,975.79 which comprised of donations of £1,647.36 and Grants of £328.43. Donations – many thanks to **all** who donated, most significant were Deeside Thistle, Gary Moyse, Fired Up Pizza and The Alford Bistro but thanks to all our supporters. Grants – many thanks to Donside Community Council for their grant which paid for litter pickers, hi-viz and gloves.

Many thanks for this Financial Support

More Money Money Money!



- Balance of £7,394.50 at year end is quantified as follows:
- £2,986.52 - Misc Funds
- £3,556.98 – Co-Op Community Fund
- £851 – Signage residual funds

Many thanks for all Financial Support

Bills, Bills, Bills



- Expenditure for the Year - £4,284.95 – significant expenses as follows:
 - Zurich Insurance £2,208.44
 - ROSPA Inspection £504.00
 - Garden Supplies and PPE (covered by grants)

With Many Thanks to:



- My fellow Board Members – so much hard work!
- Donside Community Council
- Co-Op Community Fund
- Our Community and Supporters

Ava Malcom

30/05/26

And Finally !



I take this opportunity to advise that I will be standing down as Treasurer (after almost 9 years) during 2026/27.

It's been a real pleasure and we have achieved a lot over that time – getting together, building relationships, setting up as a charity, achieving grant funding of over £320,000, building the pump track and more. I wish the group all the best for the future and will always be available for any queries and/or advice.



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2-Tier SCIO - 51046
Accounts for year to 31/03/26 (draft)



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FRIENDS of HAUGHTON PARK
2-Tier SCIO - 51046
Accounts for year to 31/03/26

	2025/26	2024/25
	£	£
Receipts		
Donations	£1,647.36	£0.00
Grants	£328.43	£275,553.92
Fundraising	£0.00	£0.00
Misc	£0.00	£312.00
Track Maintenance	£0.00	£10.00
Decommissioning	£0.00	£0.00
Charges	£0.00	£7.10
Total receipts	£1,975.79	£275,883.02
Payments		
Admin Charges	£29.60	£23.00
Equipment Purchased	£1,495.91	£229.00
Professional Fees	£47.00	£1,002.20
Bank Charges	£0.00	£7.10
Hall Hire	£0.00	£16.00
Pump Track Phase 1 Design	£0.00	£1,104.00
Pump Track Phase 2 Construction	£0.00	£286,180.64
Insurance Costs	£2,208.44	£2,208.44
Track Maintenance	£504.00	£0.00
Total payments	£4,284.95	£290,770.38
Surplus/ (deficit) for year	-£2,309.16	-£14,887.36

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Statement of Balances	31/03/2026	31/03/2025
Net current assets at start of year	£9,703.66	£24,591.01
Surplus/(deficit) for year	-£2,309.16	-£14,887.36
	<u>£7,394.50</u>	<u>£9,703.65</u>
Net current assets at end of year		
Cashflow Account	£7,394.50	£9,703.65
	<u>£7,394.50</u>	<u>£9,703.65</u>

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Grant Tracking

FRIENDS OF HAUGHTON PARK
ROTARY/MARR/NESS/YBS - SIGNAGE
GRANT TRACKING
ACC 04

Date	Income	Expenditure	Balance
19/2/2020	£1,000.00		£1,000.00
23/7/2021	£1,000.00		£2,000.00
14/2/2022		£1,452.00	£548.00
14/2/2022		£1,452.00	-£904.00
22/2/2022	£2,000.00		£1,096.00
7/3/2023		£245.00	£851.00
			£851.00
	£4,000.00	£3,149.00	£851.00

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CO-OP COMMUNITY FUND 2024 - Planting
GRANT TRACKING
ACC 07

Date	Income	Expenditure	Balance
5/3/2024	£1,831.86		£1,831.86
8/11/2024	£3,177.94		£5,009.80
02/10/2024		£35.28	£4,974.52
		£168.96	£4,805.56
04/11/2025		£115.43	£4,690.13
04/11/2025		£1,133.15	£3,556.98
			£3,556.98
	£5,009.80	£1,452.82	£3,556.98

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Accounts for year to 31/03/26
Notes to The Accounts & Signature

Notes:

- 1 Receipts & Payments format inc comparative figures
for previous year confirmed by OSCR 08/04/26 (Alison Adams)
- 2 Prepared by Gloria Malcolm, Treasurer
- 3 Signed by Simone Sinclair, Chair
- 4 Independantly reviewed by Bridgeton Bookkeeping
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Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

Simone (CHAIR) 30/05/26

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Friends of Haughton Park

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2026.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the 2006 Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. 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 any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks 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 view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of 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 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations 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.

Name: Gordon Gunn

Relevant Professional qualification/professional body: AAT

Address: 48 Main Street, Alford AB33 8PX

Date: 7th May 2026

Signature:

