



## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF ACCOUNTS**

**CHARITY NAME – FRIENDS OF RISING SUN COUNTRY PARK**

**ACCOUNTS PERIOD – 01 APRIL 2024 to 31 MARCH 2025**

This report is for the Trustees of Friends of Rising Sun Country Park and those individuals who may have a financial interest in the voluntary group.

I have undertaken an independent examination of the accounts for the period 01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025, and have detailed my findings below:

- The aims and objectives of the Charity are clear, and from examining the accounts it is apparent that all income and expenditure clearly benefits the Charity.
- The total income for the period was £1225.33 and expenditure £870.19, both of which are a reduction on previous years. Therefore, in this reporting period there has been an excess of income of £355.14.
- There have been no individual payments to charity members or associated members of the group, and no remuneration payments.
- No group member or Local Authority employee has received payments for goods or services provided to the charity.
- All expenditure from the account is supported by receipts, which have been scrutinised.
- Cash collections and holdings are banked regularly, ensuring risk is minimised.
- Overall this Charity is financially well run, with the Treasurer managing the accounts efficiently.

I have detailed below some recommendations which may benefit the Charity in the future, however, it is the decision of the Charity whether or not they are implemented.

- The Charity may want to have a debit card linked to the bank account. This will reduce the need for cash advances and reimbursement to individuals after purchases.



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- An electronic process could be used for record keeping. This could be in the format of a spreadsheet tracking income and expenditure. Whilst the current paper process does the same function, it would save time at the end of month and year.
- It would be helpful for the Charity to have a Governing Document (this may already exist). This would set out the purpose of the Charity as well as key roles and responsibilities.

As a result of this examination I have no concerns over the running of the Charity or its financial matters.

**Catherine Parkes**

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**28 April 2025**