

FRIENDS OF RISING SUN COUNTRY PARK

TREASURERS REPORT - HIGHLIGHTS

2024/25

Last year we made a surplus of £355 and our funds have increased from £4530.53 to £4885.67. Our regular sources of income come from the various donation boxes which continue to be well supported by the visitors. Our Duck Food donation box is a great success with a nett surplus of around £190 but also helps ensure our feathered friends get a good diet!! Because of the problem with vermin around the Centre we had to stop feeding the birds on site and as a result we have a surplus of bird food that we can hopefully restart using soon. A big thank you to all our visitors and supporters.

After a long debate we decided to have a calendar again and limited numbers to 100 copies. We kept the price at £6 each with 2 for £10. They sold reasonably well with the last few being reduced in price and this still proves to be a profitable project. The Artisan Bakery at the Rising Sun Farm sponsored the calendar again and sold them from their shop. Big thank you to them for their support.

We agreed on a new enterprise producing blank cards using photographs from around the Park. They continue to be on sale in the Café and are proving quite popular. Thanks must go the North Tyneside Café staff selling our calendars and cards.

A final big thank you to Catherine Parkes from CLP Bookkeeping and Accountancy for checking and signing off the accounts.

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Treasurer