

RUSKINGTON PARISH COMMUNITY LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024

General

1. The effect of the Covid pandemic was, in some views, not likely to influence the viability of maintaining a proscribed library service by 2023 and into 2024. However, the pandemic effect continued to influence the recruiting of and maintenance of the essential element of the library function, namely volunteers. It was, the Trustees noted, the continued endeavours of volunteers that enabled the library to continue to provide an essential community asset.
2. The Building.
Mandatory internal and external checks as required by the terms of the Lincolnshire County Council, LCC, lease were completed. The trustees noted that one reported defect to the North facing roof of the building raised by an LCC inspector remained outstanding at the end of the reporting period. This matter which is not the responsibility of the library lease holders would be progressed.
3. Volunteers.
The slight reduction in the number of volunteers required a review of the operating parameters that enabled a viable library operating system.
4. Finance.
LCC provided an annual grant of £5,176 that ensured the library function would continue. The grant provides the finance for building and personnel insurance, utilities and general administration through the year.
5. Insurance.
The Trustees noted that areas requiring insurance as required under the terms of the lease were insured.
6. Council Tax
The Trustees noted and appreciated the continued Rate Relief afforded to a charity by North Kesteven District Council.
7. Summary
The trustees noted the continued and dedicated work of the library Management Committee that ensures a viable and continuous library operates for the benefit of the community. The trustees further noted, the valuable service provided by the volunteers and Library Development Officer.

Peter D Cunningham MBE
Chairman of Trustees
Ruskington Parish Community Library

RUSKINGTON PARISH COMMUNITY LIBRARY**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 1 APRIL 2023 - 31 MARCH 2024****INCOME**

GRANTS		
Lincolnshire County Council	5167.00	
ELECTRICITY FEED-IN		
Total Gas and Power	377.00	
OTHER INCOME		
Petty Cash	85.00	
Christmas Raffle	70.00	'
Deposit Account Interest	312.00	
Dsales Cabinet	5.00	472.00

EXPENDITURE

UTILITIES		
Gas	917.91	
Electricity	558.22	
Water Rates	201.35	
		1677.48
TV LICENCE		159.00
INSURANCE		557.52
GROUNDS MAINTENANCE		85.00
CLEANING		306.77
EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS		273.60
PRINTING AND STATIONERY		133.15
OTHER SUPPLIES		0.00
TELEPHONE		0.00
POSTAGE		0.00
EXPENSES		
Volunteer Expenses	235.20	
RPC Admin	10.19	
Miscellaneous	606.67	
		852.06
HEALTH HUB GRANT EXPENDITURE		0.00
ST GEORGE'S M&M GRANT		0.00
Surplus 2021/22 c/fwd		1971.42

£ 6,016.00**£ 6,016.00**