

Mancot Community Library Annual Report February 2024 - February 2025

Mancot Community Library (MCL) is a small CIO currently managed by 6 Trustees with a wide range of varying skills. There are also a core number of dedicated volunteers (12) who keep the library running smoothly on a day to day basis.

The primary purpose of the CIO is to provide a lending library with IT access. The library is open 3 days a week at varying times to allow access to all parts of the community. The library is well stocked and the stock is continually updated to ensure we provide an up to date service.

In May 2024 the Library moved from its initial location housed by the Local Authority to the community Village Hall next door. The reason for the re-location was due to the required maintenance of the previous building as it was no longer viable. The move also allowed the Library to support another village entity.

The move also allowed some changes which modernised the services offered, such as more up to date books and a chromebook rather than PCs to allow internet access and printing, photocopying and scanning services.

A number of 'classes/groups' take place in the library building which include a choir, craft, and toddler group and are always looking to expand these further for the benefit of the community.

Events are also held throughout the year for the benefit of the community and to support charities and local initiatives. During this period events included a MacMillan Coffee Morning, Christmas Craft Fair, Local History Talk, Children's Book Trail in the School Holidays and local author talks.

The library continues to host the local school on a regular basis with the children walking from the school, listening to a story and then taking part in some craft activities. This is very well received by all parties.

The library remains the meeting point for the monthly village litter picks organised by a local councillor.

The library has also hosted a Police Surgery - Cuppa with a PCSO to allow residents to come and raise any concerns within the Village. This has been well received.

The library continues to be an integral part of the community bringing lots of groups together and acting as a village hub.

MANCOT COMMUNITY LIBRARY**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the YEAR ENDING 28 FEBRUARY 2025**

INCOME			
Donations			
	Library tub	508.991	
	Mrs Quinn	55.001	
	Chloe	10.00	
	Small Jars	6.00	
			579.99
Grants			
	Hawarden Community Council	200.00	
	Police Trust	200.00	
			400.00
Fund Raising			
	Easter Raffle	132.00	
	Raffle Tickets	312.00	
	Plant Sales	150.00	
	Open Day	182.82	
	Supermarket Raffle	39.00	
	Xmas Fair	717.50	
	Social Evening	13.45	
			1546.77
Choir Fees			210.20
Room Hire			75.00
Asset Sales			502.77
Till Sales			24.24
Jigsaw Sales			17.20
Book Sales			9.40
Utilities Credits/Refunds			
	Welsh Water		4.56
	Talk Talk		205.31
	Business Rates		15.02
	SS Electric		330.45
TOTAL INCOME			3920.918

EXPENDITURE				
Operating Costs				
	Insurance	563.78		
	Gas	96.79		
	Telephone/Broadband	307.59		
	Electricity	141.58		
	Ink Cartridges/Stationary	146.03		
	Welsh Water	111.00		
	Rent - Village Hall	2565.00		
	New Furniture	1797.05		
	New Books	357.00		
	Banners	80.01		
	Business Rates	50.84		
	Gifts	30.00		
	Misc. Sales	10.40		
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		6257.06	

Excess Income/Expenditure		2336.15	
Balance brought forward		15929.57	
Total Reserves c/fwd			13593.42
Reserves consist of:			
	Bank Current Account	13461.42	
	Cash in hand	132.00	
			13461.429