

WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022



SUMMARY OF OBJECTS

- (i) to promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting the area of benefit;
- (ii) (ii) to educate the public in the geography, history, natural history and architecture of the area of benefit;
- (iii) (iii) to secure the preservation protection development and improvement of features of historic or public interest in the area of benefit, including parks, open spaces, footpaths and facilities for recreation, health, education and transport;
- (iv) to promote civic responsibility and good citizenship in the area of benefit by the dissemination of information on local matters affecting the community and the organisation of community related activities, including but not limited to regular newsletters and electronic messaging, educational talks and competitions to encourage student participation.

TRUSTEES SERVING AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2022

David Arnold, Barry Judd, Richard Marshall, Raymond Spary and Nick Thripp.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

These are attached.

REPORT ON THE YEAR'S ACTIVITIES BY OBJECT

Object 1. To promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting the area of benefit:

- The Planning Panel continued to evaluate and make representations with regards to Planning Applications with emphasis on high standards and of ensuring that developments were in-line with the local plan.
- The Society made comments during consultations on the draft of the local council's new Local Plan and its supporting guidelines.
- The Society met with and lobbied the local Member of Parliament, Dr Ben Spencer, and County and Borough Councillors concerning the need to preserve the Green Belt and in relation to the policies emerging in the new Local Plan.

Object 2. To educate the public in the geography, history, natural history and architecture of the area of benefit:

- The Society hosted a talk on October 7th by Sandra Milton-Taylor on George Fergusson Wilson F.R.S. – the Weybridge resident who founded RHS Wisley.

Object 3. To secure the preservation protection development and improvement of features of historic or public interest in the area of benefit, including parks, open spaces, footpaths and facilities for recreation, health, education and transport:

- The Society made significant contributions to the project team comprising the NHS, Elmbridge and Surrey Councils in the development of a community hub in the centre of Weybridge to include health, library, senior citizen and community facilities.
- The Society worked with Elmbridge and Surrey Councils on the improvements programme for town centre footpaths and cycleways. A major contribution from the Society related to safety considerations of mixed use pathways .
- The Society responded to planning applications that would potentially have had a deleterious impact on Conservation Areas and locally listed buildings. The Society responded to a consultation on locally listed buildings.
- The Society liaised closely with the Weybridge Town Business Group and Elmbridge Borough Council concerning landscape improvements in the High Street.
- The Society supported Armistice Day, including the laying of a wreath at the War Memorial.
- The Society continued to support the Weybridge Town Business Group, including a donation towards the cost of providing Christmas lights.
- The Society continued to work with local schools and other local organisations – e.g. Weybridge in Bloom and the Churchfield allotments, for example.

Object 4. To promote civic responsibility and good citizenship in the area of benefit by the dissemination of information on local matters affecting the community and the organisation of community related activities, including but not limited to regular newsletters and electronic messaging, educational talks and competitions to encourage student participation:

- The Society, in conjunction with the Weybridge Town Business Group, organised a highly successful summer fair including performances from local schools and arts organisations, stalls from local charities and sports clubs, market stalls and a dog show.
- The Society published 1 Magazine covering local history, conservation, heritage, and natural history topics. It sent out 35 email bulletins covering local events and issues of interest to members.
- The Society's website was regularly updated with its directories of local organisations and activities plus other information such as Weybridge history.

WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2022

		2022	2021
		£	£
Cash at Bank 1st January		16,888	11,190
Income			
Subscriptions	Note 1	5,491	5,709
Events	Note 2	0	0
Advertising			
Gift Aid		831	817
Sundry Income		14	101
Weybridge Fair	Note 4	5,670	
		12,006	6,627
Expenditure			
Subscription expenses		110	101
Magazine		611	65
Committee room hire		150	0
Events	Note 2	423	0
Website			36
Bluefin - insurance		289	279
Post & stationary			0
Weybridge Fair	Note 4	2,904	
Misc		232	248
		4,719	729
Excess of Income over Expenditure		7,287	5,898
Less - donations made by Weybridge Society		440	200
- see Note 3			
Society's cash increase/decrease in the year		6,847	5,698
Cash at Bank 31st December		<u>23,734</u>	<u>16,888</u>



Chairman



Hon Treasurer

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Weybridge Society (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Liam McKeever FCA

4 Netherby Park

Weybridge

Date: 04-06-23

WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY - Notes to the Accounts

Note 1	Subscriptions	2022	2021
The number of paid-up members of the Weybridge Society at the yearend is		688	710
Gift aid has yet to be claimed for 2022, the approximate amount due is £820			

Note 2	Events held during the year ending 31st December 2022		
Date	Event	Location	
INCOME			
			Total
			0
Less Expenditure			
	AGM	June 30 th 2022	Heathside school
	Talk	October 7 th 2022	St James
			Total
			423
			Net Surplus/Deficit
			-423
			2022
			2021
Net surplus/deficit on events held			-423
			0

Note 3	Donations made by Weybridge Society	2022	2021
To			
Weybridge Town Business Group		250	200
Elmbridge CAN		190	
	Total	440	200

WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY - Notes to the Accounts

Note 4		Weybridge Fair Accounts	2022
RECEIPTS			
	Sponsorship		5,300
	Fees		180
	Dog Show		190
	Total		5,670
EXPENDITURE			
	Stage & Audio		1,929
	Elmbridge Borough Council		128
	Printing		207
	Dog show		120
	Misc		220
	Medical		300
	Total		2,904
DONATION			
	Elmbridge CAN		190
Surplus to be used for 2023 Weybridge Festival			2,576