

WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023



SUMMARY OF OBJECTS

- (i) to promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting the area of benefit;
- (ii) to educate the public in the geography, history, natural history and architecture of the area of benefit;
- (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 2023

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

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

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 notably the proposed Design Code.
- The Society started preparing its case as a Rule 6 Party in a forthcoming Public Inquiry on a major development project adjacent to Weybridge.

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

- A small number of miscellaneous activities took place in this Object Area during the reporting year.

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 and proposals on the Elmbridge and Surrey Councils plans for the development of a community hub in the centre of Weybridge based on the refurbishment of the existing library building.
- The Society formed a Healthy Travel initiative to study and promote more cycling and walking in the town.
- The Society responded to planning applications that would potentially have had a deleterious impact on Conservation Areas and locally listed buildings.
- The Society supported Armistice Day, including the laying of a wreath at the War Memorial.
- The Society continued to support town centre activities, 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, the Men's Shed 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 organised the highly successful 10-day long Weybridge Festival including performances from local schools and arts organisations, stalls from local charities and sports clubs and market stalls.
- The Society issued over 20 bulletins covering local events and issues of interest to members.

A full report can be found on www.veybridgesociety.org.uk

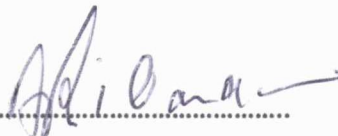
WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

		2023		2022
		£		£
Cash at Bank 1st January		23,734		16,888
Income				
Subscriptions	Note 1	5,343	5,491	
Events	Note 2	0	0	
Advertising				
Gift Aid		849	831	
Sundry Income		77	14	
Weybridge Festival	Note 4	8,650	5,670	12,006
		14,919		
Expenditure				
Subscription expenses		65	110	
Magazine		0	611	
Committee room hire		0	150	
Events	Note 2	277	423	
Website		450		
Bluefin - insurance		630	289	
Post & stationary				
Projects		500	0	
Weybridge Festival	Note 4	9,956	2,904	
Misc		613	232	4,719
		12,491		
Excess of Income over Expenditure		2,428		7,287
Less - donations made by Weybridge Society		500		440
- see Note 3				
Society's cash increase/decrease in the year		1,928		6,847
Cash at Bank 31st December		25,662		23,734



 09/04/24

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 2023.

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:

L. McKeever

Liam McKeever FCA

4 Netherby Park

Weybridge

Date: 9 April 2024

WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY - Notes to the Accounts (1)

Note 1		Subscriptions	
		2023	2022
The number of paid-up members of the Weybridge Society at the yearend is		669	688
Gift aid has yet to be claimed for 2023, the approximate amount due is £820			

Note 2		Events held during the year ending 31st December 2023	
Date	Event	Location	
			Total
			0
	Less Expenditure		
	AGM	Heathside school	277
			Total
			277
		Net Surplus/Deficit	-277
		2023	2022
Net surplus/deficit on events held		-277	-423

Note 3		Donations made by Weybridge Society	
To		2023	2022
Weybridge Town Business Group		500	250
Elmbridge CAN			190
	Total	500	440

WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY - Notes to the Accounts (2)

Note 4		Weybridge Festival Accounts	
		2023	2022
	Surplus from 2022	2,576	
RECEIPTS			
	Sponsorship	6,300	5,300
	Fees	850	180
	Dog Show	0	190
	Adverts	350	0
	Brooklands Dinner	1,150	0
	Total	8,650	5,670
EXPENDITURE			
	Stage & Audio	5,899	1,929
	Elmbridge Borough Council	141	128
	Printing	873	207
	Dog show	63	120
	Misc	538	220
	Medical	250	300
	Brooklands Dinner	1,150	
	Arts Exhibition	1,043	
	Total	9,956	2,904
DONATION			
	Elmbridge CAN	0	190
	Surplus c/f to next year	1,270	2,576