

WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024



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 2024

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

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

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 acted as a Rule 6 Party in a 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 continued to work with Surrey Councils on its plans for the development of a community hub in the centre of Weybridge based on the refurbishment of the existing library building.
- The Society continued its work on its Healthy Travel initiative to study and promote more cycling and walking in the town initiating a project to evaluate and improve the walking and cycling route network.
- The Society liaised with the NHS and Elmbridge Borough Council on the development of the new medical centre and the future use of Weybridge Hall respectively.
- The Society responded to planning applications that would potentially have had a deleterious impact on Conservation Areas and locally listed buildings.
- The Society sponsored a Blue Plaque to honour Helen D'Oyly Carte.
- The Society made a financial contribution to lectern signs on a path abutting Broadwater Lake.
- The Society supported Armistice Day, including the laying of a wreath at the War Memorial.
- The Society continued to work with local schools and other local organisations – e.g. Weybridge in Bloom and the Men's Shed for example.
- The Society continued to develop and maintain planters and planting introduced last year and to identify how coordinated planting schemes can improve town identity.

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 2024

		2024	2023
		£	£
Cash at Bank 1st January		25,663	23,734
Income			
Subscriptions	Note 1	5,328	5,343
Events	Note 2	0	0
Gift Aid		869	849
Sundry Income		94	77
Weybridge Festival	Note 4	8,954	8,650
		15,245	14,919
Expenditure			
Subscription expenses		416	65
Printing		539	0
Events	Note 2	405	277
Website		0	450
Insurance		575	630
Projects		500	500
Weybridge Festival	Note 4	9,773	9,956
Misc		866	612
		13,074	12,491
Excess of Income over Expenditure		2,171	2,428
Less - donations made by Weybridge Society		500	500
- see Note 3			
Society's cash increase/decrease in the year		1,671	1,928
Cash at Bank 31st December		<u>27,334</u>	<u>25,663</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 31st December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees, 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records.
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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: 21 March 2025

WEYBRIDGE SOCIETY - Notes to the Accounts

Note 1	Subscriptions	2024	2023
The number of paid-up members of the Weybridge Society at the yearend is		663	669
Gift aid has yet to be claimed for 2024, the approximate amount due is £850			

Note 2	Events held during the year ending 31st December 2024		
Date	Event	Location	
			Total 0
Less Expenditure			
	AGM	CPP Main Hall	405
			Total 405
		Net Surplus/Deficit	-405
		2024	2023
Net surplus/deficit on events held		-405	-277

Note 3	Donations made by Weybridge Society		
To	2024	2023	
Weybridge Town Business Group		500	
Broadwater	500		
	Total	500	500

Note 4		Weybridge Fair Accounts	
		2024	2023
	Surplus from 2023	1,270	2,576
RECEIPTS			
	Sponsorship	8,000	6,300
	Fees	816	850
	Dog Show	138	0
	Adverts	0	350
	Brooklands Dinner	0	1,150
	Total	8,954	8,650
EXPENDITURE			
	Stage & Audio	6,632	5,899
	Elmbridge Borough Council	302	141
	Printing	96	873
	Dog show	90	63
	Misc	1,179	538
	Medical	350	250
	Brooklands Dinner	0	1,150
	Arts Exhibition	0	1,043
	Insurance	1,123.87	0
	Total	9,773	9,956
DONATION			
	Elmbridge Home-Start	250	0
	Surplus c/f to next year	202	1,270