

ASKERN COMMUNITY HUB AND LIBRARY

Station Road
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CHAIRPERSONS REPORT

OCTOBER 2021 to SEPTEMBER 2022

Once again we have had a roller coaster ride in our affairs at Askern Community Hub and Library.

At one point, we thought we might be closing as we needed repairs to be done to the roof. We still have some ongoing maintenance issues but these are not as vital as the roof.

After the death of our Treasurer, we had to produce our accounts for the Charity Commission and for bidding for future funding.

It appears that we were not giving enough financial details to satisfy the new management of the Lottery franchise who required further information for our bid for £9636 to cover our Co-Ordinators salary for the year. We did not win the funding.

We had £3,312 from our previous bid which we carried over for this salary. Following this, we paid the salary from any previous balance and new income. We now have £5,666.66 in our account.

During the last ten weeks, we have been putting a bid together for £74,880 from The National Lottery Community Fund. This is for salary and equipment for hosting the many organisations and groups who are now using our Hub and Library. This bid is for 2 years, as our Co-Ordinator will need to work full time to service all the different projects in the pipeline. This bid requires a great amount of detail with input and help coming from some of the groups and organisations involved, including:

Citizens Advice Bureau
Well Being Doncaster
Mens Mental Health Group
Expect Youth
Stronger Communities
Doncaster Fit Rovers (Life Strong Projects)
Dementia Group
Board Games Group
Reading Group
Come in for a Chat Coffee Morning Group
"Warm Place" (to be finalised with Doncaster MBC)

The Library and Hub now seems to be the place to come to when seeking help with life's problems. Often these are small and inconvenient but still troubling, such as where to print information or photocopy it for endless proof or form filling. The printing of holiday and flight tickets, boarding passes, goods return labels and the photocopying of wills, death certificates. We are the only organisation in Askern and its surrounds which has a photocopier and printer. We also provide computer use free of charge.

You can see from our groups list we have visitors seeking help, people meeting here for interest groups and for just company to get out of the house.

We have also had an increase in people, particularly young people, joining the library. Local nurseries and child minders are also coming in to show young children the library and its joys.

As a result we are having to reorganise our staffing and commitments to the library and timetables for the groups and organisations using our facilities.

All this is becoming a full time job and full time opening will be needed. Unless we receive the funding for a salaried full time person, we will not be able to sustain the hub.

Yes, we could run a basic library service but we are proud to have built the Library up to be a true Hub for Askern and its surrounding districts with local organisations offering their expertise to local people at the library. These groups, however, do not pay for our Co-Ordinator's salary.

Hopefully our new bid will be accepted and then we can train new volunteers. These will be needed because none of our current group are getting any younger, and some have more demands on their time! We do have a training programme in place for this.

I personally am one of those who have had more pressure from family etc. on my time and I feel my time and ability to do the Chairperson's job is not there now. Consequently, I will be stepping down once we have seen this bid go through. I will continue as a volunteer.

So now we push on with our funding bid and will keep you updated with developments.

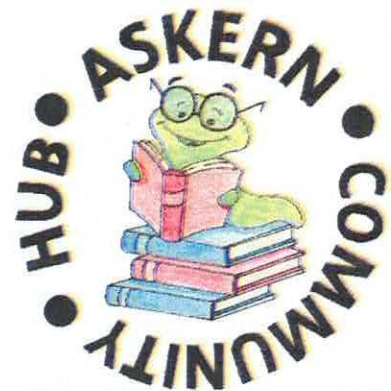
We have a financial report ready for you to view.

Gillian Carling
Chairperson

Askern Community Library/Hub

Accounts Oct 2021 to Sept 2022

Opening Balance: **£12,795.53**



DATE	NAME	CREDIT	DEBIT	BALANCE
12-10-21	Voluntary Action Plan	£750.00		£13,545.54
26-10-21	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£12,717.54
28-10-21	Credit	£52.15		
28-10-21	Credit	£75.00		£12,844.69
19-11-21	Office Supplies		£513.24	£12,331.45
25-11-21	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£11,503.45
20-12-21	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£10,675.45
14-01-22	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£9,847.45
11-02-22	Printer Cartridges, etc		£194.70	£9,652.75
15-02-22	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£8,824.75
23-02-22	Credit	£536.00		
23-02-22	Amazon Smile	£5.73		£9,366.48
24-02-22	Books Sold	£100.00		£9,466.48
15-03-22	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	
15-03-22	Credit	£141.00		£8,779.48
08-10-22	Credit	£306.07		£9,085.55
12-04-22	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£8,257.55
13-04-22	Credit	£536.00		£8,793.55
14-04-22	Credit	£86.10		£8,879.65
09-05-22	Amazon Smile	£5.00		£8,884.65
10-05-22	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£8,056.65
30-05-22	Amazon		£103.49	£7,953.16
08-06-22	Credit	£285.00		£8,238.16
09-06-22	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£7,410.16
10-06-22	Heathcotes	£180.00		£7,590.16
20-06-22	Fee Bank Statement		£10.00	£7,580.16
29-06-22	Credit	£145.00		£7,725.16
01-07-22	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£6,897.16
07-07-22	Credit	£22.50		£6,919.66
12-07-22	Amazon Coffee Machine		£54.98	£6,864.68
29-07-22	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£6,036.68
01-08-22	Book Sales	£15.00		£6,051.68
12-08-22	Credit	£227.00		£6,278.68
15-08-22	Credit	£100.00		
15-08-22	Book Sales	£13.22		

15-08-22	Book Sales	£25.40		
15-08-22	Book Sales	£38.37		£6,455.67
23-08-22	Book Sales	£19.00		£6,474.67
26-08-22	H.Royle Salary		£828.00	£5,646.67
07-09-22	Book Sales	£20.00		£5,666.67
29-09-22	TOTALS	£3,683.54	£7,500.41	
	PETTY CASH	£257.47	£257.47	

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Petty Cash



DATE	NAME	DEBIT
11-01-22	Heron Tea Bags	£27.57
13-01-22	New Door Keys	£15.50
27-01-22	Window Cleaner	£20.00
21-02-22	Heron Milk	£1.29
03-03-22	Heron Milk	£0.95
08-03-22	Window Cleaner	£20.00
16-03-22	Heron Coffee	£4.99
27-03-22	Heron Milk	£0.95
29-03-22	Heron Milk	£0.95
31-03-22	Heron Milk	£0.95
05-04-22	Window Cleaner	£20.00
25-04-22	First Aid Box	£30.98
29-04-22	Heron Tea/milk etc	£15.73
18-05-22	Volunteer Lunch x2	£6.00
20-05-22	Heron Milk/Juice	£3.03
31-05-22	Window Cleaner	£20.00
11-07-22	Window Cleaner	£20.00
11-07-22	Heron Toilet Rolls	£9.00
23-08-22	Heron Milk	£1.59
06-09-22	Window Cleaner	£20.00
20-09-22	Co-op Milk/Coffee	£6.60
22-09-22	Co-op Coffee/Biscuits	£7.95
26-09-22	Co-op Milk	£1.44
	PETTY CASH TOTAL	£257.47

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Opening balance = £12,795.53

Less Lottery c/f £3,312.00

Balance **£9,483.53**

Credit for Oct 21 – Sept 22 = £3,683.54

Total Credit **£13,167.07**

Debit for Oct 21 – Sept 22 = £7,500.41

Balance **£5,666.66**

Restricted lottery fund for salary carried forward **£3,312.00**

Opening balance from bank of **£12,795.53** was **£9,483.53**

Petty Cash in/out = **£257.47**

Rent, rates, utilities are funded by Doncaster Metro Borough Council

Income from office, room rental, internal charity shop, printing, photocopying and book sales from donated books etc = **£3,683.54**