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Didsbury Civic Society Report To The Charity Commission For 2020

The year 2020 has been a hard year for the Trustees and members. As it has been for many small charitable organisations keeping the wolf from the door, protecting the membership numbers and of course dealing with Covid-19. Fortunately, we have been lucky with the Pandemic, but have seen our membership numbers reducing. Which has of course been reflected in our funding revenue, our main source of income in any financial year.

The Trustees decided fairly early in the pandemic to try and continue our good works to the members and local residents inbetween the lockdowns donating some restricted funds held to the Christmas Carols and Lights, the renovating a local bench and preparing a written paper to justify the purchase of vital life saving equipment.

We also re-wrote and relaunched the Didsbury Plan from 2017 and Incorporated Future Didsbury into it, to try and engage with our local council in its 2021 edition. Redefining Green Spaces, Infrastructure, Heritage xxxxxxxx. We also engaged with the Manchester School of Architecture and their 5th and final year students to produce a professional plan to try and improve our village and life generally for its residents. Copies were also Manchester City Council CEO, The Mayor, The Council Leader and our elected Member of Parliament. Like most people in public life it was not seen as constructive telling elected members where they were going wrong. As a result we continue to move this project onwards and try to engage with them.

Volunteering has also become harder due to Covid as there was no plan laid down within the DCS or our local council. All of our regular Meetings were transferred to online Zoom and Teams applications, but to be candid we coped with the lack of personal meetings quite well, by having our regular monthly meetings on line.

Importantly, we have successfully kept in touch with other local area volunteer groups as our strengths are better served helping each other, and supporting each other whenever required. We also hope that our problems and shortcomings will have improved when our next report is submitted for 2021.

Mike Corlett

Didsbury Civic Society Chair

DIDSBURY CIVIC SOCIETY

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2020

| PAYMENTS | 2020 | | | | 2019 | RECEIPTS | 2020 | | | | 2019 |
|--|--------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| | Social | General | Restricted | Total | Total | | Social | General | Restricted | Total | Total |
| Social Events | | | | | £ 877 | Income from Social Events | | | | | £ 1,066 |
| Newsletter | | £ 624 | | £ 624 | | Subscriptions | | £ 1,002 | | £ 1,002 | £ 1,578 |
| Heritage Day | | | | | £ 660 | Donations | | £ 435 | | £ 435 | £ 1,535 |
| Pergola | | | | | £ 288 | Legacy | | £ 1,000 | | £ 1,000 | £ 928 |
| Banner | | £ 521 | | £ 521 | £ 137 | Fundraising | | | | | £ 179 |
| Room Hire for meetings | | £ 67 | | £ 67 | £ 478 | Didsbury Friends | | £ 280 | | £ 280 | |
| Room Hire Didsbury Friends | | | | | £ 340 | Heritage books | | | | | £ 118 |
| Carols & Lights Funds to Didsbury Traders | | | £ 535 | £ 535 | | | | | | | |
| Didsbury Pride | | | | | £ 242 | | | | | | |
| Didsbury Festival | | | | | £ 65 | TOTAL | | £ 2,717 | | £ 2,717 | £ 5,404 |
| Postage | | £ 354 | | £ 354 | £ 235 | | | | | | |
| Printing | | £ 25 | | £ 25 | £ 123 | | | | | | |
| Insurance | | £ 283 | | £ 283 | £ 283 | | | | | | |
| Committee expenses | | £ 16 | | £ 16 | £ 122 | SUMMARY | | | | | |
| Website & Software Costs | | £ 437 | | £ 437 | £ 148 | Income Less Expenditure | | £ (1) | £ (535) | £ (536) | £ 1,357 |
| Remembrance day costs | | £ 16 | | £ 16 | £ 20 | Balances as at 31 Dec 2019 | £ 1,477 | £ 4,635 | £ 4,401 | £ 10,513 | £ 9,156 |
| Companies House | | £ 375 | | £ 375 | £ 13 | Balances as at 31 Dec 2020 | £ 1,477 | £ 4,634 | £ 3,866 | £ 9,977 | £ 10,513 |
| Office expenses | | | | | £ 16 | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | | £ 2,718 | £ 535 | £ 3,253 | £ 4,047 | | | | | | |
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| RESTRICTED FUNDS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 2019 | Receipts | Payments | 2020 | Bank Balances at 31 December 2020 | | | | | |
| Gargoyles | | £ 2,869 | | | £ 2,869 | HSBC Account | | £ 7,108 | | £ 7,108 | £ 7,011 |
| Carols & Lights | | £ 535 | | £ 535 | | NatWest | | £ 2,869 | | £ 2,869 | £ 3,502 |
| Ballbrook NIF Grant | | £ 69 | | | £ 69 | | | | | | |
| NIF Grant- Noticeboard | | £ 928 | | | £ 928 | | | | | | |
| | | £ 4,401 | | £ 535 | £ 3,866 | | | £ 9,977 | | £ 9,977 | £ 10,513 |
| I certify that the above accounts are in accordance with the Society's books and records | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mike Corlett | | | | | | | | | | | CJ Smail |
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