

## Report from the Chair 2020 – 2021

For all of us, including those of us on the Committee of the Penarth Civic Society, it is a relief that the year 2020 – 2021 is drawing to a close and we are all looking forward to the coming year.

It has been a very different year to the one we had planned. None of our usual monthly meetings, no Christmas Event, no walk around the town guided by Alan Thorne. Behind the scenes, however, a lot has been happening.

Sadly, I have to report the deaths of two former Chairs/Vice Chairs of the Society. My mother, Mrs Daphne Kibble, died peacefully at the end of May. In June, James Long RIBA died after a short illness. James came to the rescue of the Society when it was threatened with closure. The Society was represented at both these funerals.

As the 2020 AGM would normally have been held soon after the start of the lockdown, we were not able to run it. Since then, we have all become used to using Zoom and are advised by Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS) that this is an acceptable way to run such an event. Nomination forms for the Committee were circulated earlier in March 2021. All Committee members who served in the year 2019 – 2020 continued to serve in their posts during the year 2020 – 2021. We were very pleased to welcome Chris Riley to the Committee during the year. Chris has a particular interest in the history of the town which is proving to be invaluable. It had been planned that Geoff Cheason and James Long would arrange the transfer of our archive to the Glamorgan Archives in Leckwith. Chris is now helping with that task, which is considerable. No other nominations for the Committee have been received for the year 2021 – 2022 and the present Committee will therefore continue in their current roles. Extra Committee members would be very much appreciated.

One particular success during the year has been saving our Victorian lampposts after a two-year campaign. We achieved this by using a Freedom of Information Request to find out the grounds for replacing the Victorian columns with unsuitable modern galvanised units. We then worked with a street furniture company who had been involved with Canterbury City Council to upgrade their columns with LED lanterns. We were able to demonstrate that there was a cost-effective way to upgrade rather than replace, and successfully argued that the Victorian posts were an essential part of the heritage of the town. The Vale of Glamorgan Council agreed with us, and the upgrade programme is now underway.

We were delighted to work with the Vale Council on this initiative. It remains disappointing that both they, and the Penarth Town Council, do not consult us on many key issues such as the Pier Pavilion and The Kymin.

Many of our subgroups, including the Beach Wardens, The Railway Path Project and The Italian Gardens Project have not been able to operate this year due to the pandemic. Two of our subgroups, the Penarth Tree Forum (headed by Nick Crofts) and Friends of Victoria Square (headed by Haydn Mayo), have however continued with their excellent work.

The Tree Forum continues to work with the Vale Council on a number of fronts. At the end of 2019 we were informed that they were working on a Tree Strategy for the whole Vale of Glamorgan. We have heard nothing since but are continuing to press for this important work to be progressed. The

Council have declared a Climate Change Emergency, and increasing the tree cover should be an integral part of that. It is however excellent that earlier this year 180 large trees were planted using funds left over from the Penarth Heights development. Unfortunately, the Council do not have the funds to properly maintain these and we have created a group with over 40 members to help with this. Our intention is to then develop a Street Tree Warden scheme to help look after our sadly decreasing, but very important, street trees.

Friends of Victoria Square have continued with their efforts despite the pandemic - a further successful grant application through the Heritage Lottery Fund / Welsh Government "Community Woodlands" scheme has secured monies to continue with tree management works; improve the drainage; create additional wildlife habitat with stumperies, a bog garden, wildflower areas and a community garden. Much of this will be delivered through volunteer activities and in the longer term they will be exploring wider community engagement with local schools, GP practices and care homes. Further information is available through their website and Facebook page

For a number of years, we as a Committee have been aware that there are a number of other Third Sectors organisations in the town working on projects similar to ours and we have been keen to work together. I am delighted that, this year, we have been working very closely with Gwyrddio Penarth Greening (GPG), in particular with their Growing Together project which is encouraging us all to grow more of our own vegetables. Another joint initiative is Penarth Unlocked, which is working with the Town Council and traders to revitalise the town centre after the pandemic. Our Tree Volunteer scheme also has members from a number of local groups and we very much hope that this cooperation will continue.

We look forward to the coming year 2021 – 2022 with an encouraging degree of confidence that it will be better and easier than the last year, and that we will be able to go from strength to strength for the benefit of the whole town. An excellent start to the forthcoming year is our brand new website – do have a look!

Anne Evans

Vice Chair

Date	Number	Description	Notes	Category	Income
03/31/2020	101165	Annual Insuraance Premium		202 Insurance	
04/01/2020	STO	JONES D W & F NO2 STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	MRS ANGELA J GREGO STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	MCMURRAY A C STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	WILLIAMS C M PP STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	PHILP RM PHILPOT RM STO		101 Membership Subs	8
04/01/2020	STO	WARD V S STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	SETCH TF & D STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	COUCH PM STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	MRS ANNA M SMITH ANNA SMITH STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	MORGAN JP STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	WILLIAMS AB STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	SIMONS AL&YA STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	CURTIN J & S STO		101 Membership Subs	12
04/01/2020	STO	CLIFT M C5 STO		101 Membership Subs	7
04/01/2020	STO	HUXTABLE WQ STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	SHAPLAND AD STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	HENRY P & ME STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	DORKEN M S STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	ELIAS J E J JEJ ELIAS STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	BURTON C&R STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	AVON MEM STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	DAVIES I J STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	MAYO&DAVIES MAYO&DAVIES STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	NICKELS IJ&SJ S & I NICKELS STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	CAMPBELL HF HILARY CAMPBELL STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	F STRICKLAND-CONST STRICKLAND MEMBER STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	LANE S H77 F LANE STO		101 Membership Subs	5
04/01/2020	STO	M DAVIES D3 STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	K HOWELL 43 STO		101 Membership Subs	8
04/01/2020	STO	H G BOUDIER STO		101 Membership Subs	10

04/01/2020	STO	SCHULP A S61 F	SCHULP	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	MARCUS PAYNE	P4	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	THOMAS GW&JE	GLYN & LIZ THOMAS	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	CM NEILL	STO			101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	MEAZEY P S5R F	MEAZEY	STO		101 Membership Subs	8
04/01/2020	STO	P B THOMPSON	T1	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	PHELPS M.	PHELPS	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	DORRELL M&P	P & M DORRELL	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	ELIZABETH PHILIPPS	E J Philipps	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	VE /P WILLIAMS	WILLIAMS	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	WYATT C&SC	WYATT SUBSCR	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	D PHILLIPS	DAVID PHILLIPS	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	NEVILLE R	PENARTH SOCIETY	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	CLYNE SV TPM	STO			101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	Soulsby Anne	PENARTH SOCIETY	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	BENHAM D M	STO			101 Membership Subs	7
04/01/2020	STO	Knight Brian	KNIGHT	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	PALSER HR &N	STO			101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	HIGLEY C J	C J HIGLEY MEM SUB	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	MERCER MES	STO			101 Membership Subs	8
04/01/2020	STO	DOCTOR MARTIN	M1	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	MRS & MR BENNETT	BENNETT	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	Gibbins Brenda	STO			101 Membership Subs	17
04/01/2020	STO	Mitchell Teresa	TERESA MITCHELL	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	Clifford Carole	C A CLIFFORD	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	DAVID JONES	STO			101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	CHRISTINE LEWIS	LEWIS	STO		101 Membership Subs	12
04/01/2020	STO	MsM O'Connor	Annual Sub	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	WALTER KIERAN GEAR	MCCEACHERN	STO		101 Membership Subs	8
04/01/2020	STO	Topping Celia	C TOPPING	STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/01/2020	STO	SALTER G & S	SALTER G & S	STO		101 Membership Subs	12
04/01/2020	STO	THOMPSON LJ	THOMPSON L J	STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	DEWAR IS	02	STO		101 Membership Subs	15

04/01/2020	STO	FOULKES DM THE PENARTH SOCIET STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	KINGSTON G KINGSTON G STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	LOVERING E STO		101 Membership Subs	5
04/01/2020	STO	CATTERALL VA & C STO		101 Membership Subs	7
04/01/2020	STO	BOURNE TE & CA BOURNE TE & CA STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	CROFTS NG&JM CROFTS NG&JM STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	WILLIAMS R WILLIAMS R STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/01/2020	STO	MARQUAND D & J MARQUAND STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/02/2020	STO	DAVID NOBLE Noble David and An STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/06/2020	OTH	BOARD OF THE C REVPayee bank response:			30
04/06/2020	REPEATPMT	Standing Order Cancelled			
04/09/2020	101183	Alpine Land Surveyors		401 Surveys	
04/14/2020	OTH	Refund of Incorrect Direct Debit Bulb Energy		XX02	75.83
04/14/2020	STO	A L POOLE P2 STO		101 Membership Subs	15
04/16/2020	STO	MRS ANN L OLIVER ANN OLIVER STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/20/2020	STO	P CAMPBELL SUBSCRIPTION STO		101 Membership Subs	10
04/29/2020	STO	Hodgkinson Jeffrey P SOCIETY MEMBERS STO		101 Membership Subs	10
05/01/2020	STO	BIRCH BIRCH STO			12
05/15/2020	STO	GORNALL L DOUBLE GORNALL STO		101 Membership Subs	15
	GIRO	Cantlay DA and CM		101 Membership Subs	15
05/18/2020	STO	Wyatt Ej		101 Membership Subs	10
05/21/2020	GIRO	Wright Pam		101 Membership Subs	10
05/22/2020	STO	Sarah Salter		101 Membership Subs	15
05/22/2020	GIRO	Martin Gossage		101 Membership Subs	10
05/22/2020	GIRO	Sian Till		101 Membership Subs	15
05/22/2020	GIRO	Anne Evans		101 Membership Subs	15
05/26/2020	GIRO	Munkenbeck Caroline		101 Membership Subs	15
05/28/2020	GIRO	Alexander Tracey		101 Membership Subs	10
06/01/2020	GIRO	Caire Collier		101 Membership Subs	10
06/11/2020	deposit	Donation from David Noble		101 Membership Subs	15
06/11/2020	deposit	Chris Riley and Ann Youde Cheques		101 Membership Subs	20
06/11/2020	deposit	Victoria Square Big Picnic income		308 Event Income	125.93

06/17/2020	101186	Victoria Square Wix Website hosting		404 Website and Publicity	
06/18/2020	GIRO	D Lloyd		101 Membership Subs	10
06/18/2020	GIRO	D& L Meaden		101 Membership Subs	15
06/19/2020	GIRO	P Kinnersley		101 Membership Subs	10
06/22/2020	GIRO	Geoff Cheason		101 Membership Subs	10
06/22/2020	GIRO	Ian Palmer		101 Membership Subs	15
06/24/2020	101185	Victoria Square Emma Cahill Website costs		404 Website and Publicity	
07/01/2020	SO	Neil Kitchener		101 Membership Subs	10
07/06/2020	101184	Victoria square Topographical survey Catherine Etchell			
07/07/2020	deposit	Alex Wilson		101 Membership Subs	10
07/08/2020	101166	Sweet Peony Flowers for Anne Evans			
07/20/2020		Hydon IR and JM		101 Membership Subs	10
07/31/2020	101164	Russel Horsey Speaker fee Tree Takeaway		204 Speaker or Event cost	
08/03/2020		Jill Pen		101 Membership Subs	7
08/06/2020		JC Rees and C Bartley		101 Membership Subs	25
08/19/2020	101187	Victoria Square HiPlan print costs		402 Printing	
09/02/2020		Giftaid Rebate		106 giftaid	191.75
10/07/2020	deposit	Pam Wright		101 Membership Subs	5
10/21/2020	101188	Victoria Square HiPlan print costs		402 Printing	
11/16/2020		D Noble Stamps and paper		206 Printing and Stationery	
11/16/2020		EK Ingram Christmas Quiz		209 Charitable Donation	
11/16/2020		Anne Evans Stamps		207 Postage	
12/11/2020		Comic Relief grant for website		105 Donations/Grants	500
12/15/2020		Deposit for website development Socially Aware		210 Misc	
12/15/2020		Peter Blackburn and Gwen Long		101 Membership Subs	20
12/31/2020		Judith Lewis		101 Membership Subs	8
01/27/2021		Grant from Heritage Lottery Fund		307 Lottery Funding	15300
02/25/2021		Peter Frost 5 years subs		101 Membership Subs	100
03/25/2021		Mr and Mrs B Walters		101 Membership Subs	15
03/25/2021	101192	FOVS Printing and Horticulture		402 Printing	

Victoria Square Analysis from second grant January 2021					Membersh
			Spending	Balance	1498.58
Existing funds left		155.48			
Grant Income Jan 21		15300			Victoria sq
Total		15455.48	94.52	15360.96	Income
					Spending
					Balance

Expense	Opening Balance		Income			
	£6,531.10				Opening Balance	
256.18			101 Membership Subs		6006.75	
			102 Event Admission Fees			
			103 Annual Dinner Cost			
			104 Coffee/Tea Sales			
			105 Donations/Grants			
			106 Gift Aid Receipts			
			Expenses			
			201 Room Hire			
			202 Insurance			
			203 Annual Dinner Sale			
			204 Speaker or Event cost			
			205 Website Hosting			
			206 Printing and Stationery			
			207 Postage			
			208 Gift			
			209 Charitable Donation			
			210 Misc			
			Income Victoria Square			
			307 Lottery Funding	lottery Funding		
			308 Event Income			
			Expenses Victoria Square			
			401 Surveys			
			402 Printing			
			403 Event expenses			
			404 Website and Publicity			



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1188							
	Total In	Total Out	Balance				
	949.83	1474.18	6006.75	CORRECT			
	Total In	Total Out	Balance				
	142	0	6148.75	CORRECT			

86.4							
	Total In	Total Out	Balance				
340	230.93	426.4	5953.28	CORRECT			
2100							
	Total In	Total Out	Balance				
25	30	2125	3858.28	CORRECT			
25							
	Total In	Total Out	Balance				
36	32	61	3829.28	CORRECT			
	191.75		4021.03	CORRECT			
	Total In	Total Out	Balance				
53.97	5	53.97	3972.06	CORRECT			
5.09							
		Total Out	Balance				
25							
29.76		59.85	3912.21	Correct			
		Total Out	Balance				
100		100	4332.21	Correct			
	Total In	Total Out	Balance				
	15308	0	19640.21	CORRECT			
	100		19740.21	CORRECT			
	15						
94.52							
	Total In	Total Out	Balance				
	15.00	94.52	19660.69	CORRECT			

	17019.51	4235.07					
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Last Year	This year	Totals					
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9000	125.93	9125.93					
5166.08	3804.37	8970.45					
		155.48					