

Chairman's Report – Tim Newcombe

This is the last Annual Report that I shall be writing as I retire after the next AGM, on Wednesday September 10th. It has been fascinating and at times a challenging six years. This included the Covid 19 pandemic and coming to terms with Zoom so that we could continue to enjoy the lectures. Through it all it has been a great privilege to lead the Arts Society Dartmoor.

During the last year we have reviewed the constitution that underpins our Arts Society. None of the basic principles have been touched, but the committee has prepared some minor revisions that mean it will better reflect the way our society runs. I do hope that these developments will meet with the approval of the members of TAS Dartmoor when they are presented at the AGM.

As you will see from the other reports there is much that we can all be proud of. We have maintained a full membership and we also have a waiting list. This is something many societies around the country do not have. We have continued with our core activities; ten lectures, a discovery day and a visit to a place of interest, and we have initiated further developments of our work in the community. This only happens because TAS Dartmoor is very fortunate to have an excellent committee. A team, small enough to be effective but large enough to share the work out, so that no one person is weighed down with too much to do.

As I prepare to retire as Chairman, I want to thank all those with whom I have had the privilege of serving. This includes those who have been elected or co-opted recently and those with whom I worked at earlier stages in my chairmanship of The Arts Society Dartmoor.

In future I shall be able to enjoy our lectures, and be a little more relaxed, knowing that others have taken up the responsibility for the smooth running of our meetings.

Tim Newcombe

Chairman of Trustees

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TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Subscriptions	9,897		9,573	
Gift Aid claim	1,649		2,762	
Donations	390		517	
Waiting list fees	45		65	
Shilstone day visit	759		-	
Arundell study day	4,015		-	
Books sold	-		71	
		16,755		12,988
Expenses				
NADFAS affiliation fee	3,372		3,459	
Area affiliation fee	95		82	
Hall hire	770		360	
Lecturers' fees	3,890		3,583	
Lecturers' travel costs	796		887	
Lecturers' expenses	269		215	
Printing, postage and stationery	533		320	
Committee expenses	441		534	
Shilstone day visit	792		-	
Arundell study day	3,408		-	
Accountancy	408		270	
Catering and groceries	210		191	
Grants	500		500	
		(15,484)		(10,401)
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		1,270		2,587
Opening balance at 1 January		30,118		19,708
Net income for year as above		1,270		2,587
		31,389		22,295
Closing Assets and Liabilities				
Bank	32,560		30,102	
Cash	16		16	
Income received last year, released this year	7,823		-	
2025 income received in advance	(10,159)		(7,823)	
Gift aid debtor	1,649		-	
Get Changed Theatre accrued	(500)	31,389	-	22,295
		31,389		22,295
Future Earmarked Funding				
Audio equipment and laptop		1,000		
Patricia Fay Fund		5,000		
Young Arts projects		3,000		