

## **REPORT ON THE YEAR 2021/22 OF BEARSTED & THURNHAM WI**

During the ravages of lockdown and the pandemic we maintained contact with our members through ZOOM, letters, emails and phone calls. Although through Zoom we linked to on average 35 members each month when we had a speaker; through the Book Group, Craft Group, Art Group and Walking Groups we were in contact with many more members which was encouraging. The Art Group set up a WhatsApp group which undertook a project each week and covered over 40 topics and this resulted in an exhibition at the October Meeting. The 3Bs Book Group also had a WhatsApp group which met every Friday to support members. Once we were able to meet in the fresh air both the Craft Group and Book Groups met on The Green and the Walking Group arranged opportunities to walk together. The Craft Group exhibited the items they had made during lockdown at the November meeting and were praised for their expertise. A number of members also participated in the on-line Denman at Home talks and activities which took place every day.

We started back in the WI Hall in September when 31 people attended with 4 visitors. It was a joyous occasion and each member had a heart on their chair with 'Welcome Back'. All of these were made by the Craft Group who were thanked for their thoughtfulness. Two members from Bearsted Green WI joined us.

We were still able to support local projects such as the Holy Cross Bazaar by making cakes, donating food to the Salvation Army at Christmas and collecting for the Homeless Shelter through Barty House. We also collected £70 for Ukraine in March.

Our Christmas celebrations were scaled down and was organised in conjunction with Carols on the Green with wine and cake afterwards in the WI Hall together with quizzes and games. We held a Fish & Chip Supper in February to welcome new members with games and quizzes. Our Programme Planning Group has organised really interesting speakers including the Vita & Harold's Sissinghurst and History of the Houses of Parliament via ZOOM and back in the WI Hall, the work of the Maidstone Hospital Research Team and the Work of a Buddhist Chaplain. Another year of exciting topics is planned for 2022/23.

The Gardening Group have consistently worked hard to keep our WI garden looking tidy and we have all enjoyed the spring flowers which have come to full bloom.

Our WI Hall is 100 years old in August and plans are in hand to celebrate this occasion. Our Craft Group are beavering away making pom poms to decorate our bench on The Green in honour of the Queen's Jubilee.

Thank you all for supporting us over the past difficult two years.

WI name  
Charity number (if registered)  
Federation

Bearsted and Thurnham WI
228182
West Kent



# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the period

from 16.03.21

to 15.03.22

## Section A

## Receipts and Payments

A1 Receipts	Total £	Last year £	A2 Payments	Total £	Last year £
Receipts at meetings	-	-	Meeting expenses	1,015.06	346.91
Subscriptions (WI share)	987.90	464.70	Committee Members' expenses	44.91	-
Gift Aid	-	-	Pooling of fares / expenses	16.00	16.00
Publications	-	-	Publications	-	-
Activities & events	592.15	-	Activities & events	345.73	76.50
WI fundraising	-	-	WI fundraising	-	-
Interest received	-	-	Insurance	10.00	10.00
Paid into current account	-	-	Donations made	-	12.93
Paid into deposit account	0.24	1.26	Other payments	218.06	843.00
Grants and donations	200.00	-	WI-owned hall - total payments	19,291.37	9,335.63
Other income	126.30	216.00			
WI-owned hall - total receipts	22,543.58	24,640.52			
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>24,450.17</b>	<b>25,322.48</b>	<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>20,921.13</b>	<b>10,640.97</b>

A3 Restricted funds included in total receipts	65.30	216.00	A4 Restricted funds included in total payments	-	400.00
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Total Receipts less Total Payments (Surplus/Deficit for the year)

3,529.04

A5 Total cash funds brought forward from last year (equals last year's total at B1)

72,669.24

A6 Total cash funds carried forward at this year end

76,198.28

A7 Total restricted funds at year end included in total cash funds above

-£249.30

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Section B

Statement of assets and liabilities at the year end

B1 Cash funds

		Total £	Last year £
B1.1	Final bank balance as per Account Book, including uncleared items	3,879.37	3,568.18
B1.2	Reconciliation of final bank balance from Account Book to bank statement		
	Bank statement total at year end	3,142.70	
	Plus amounts paid in to bank but not cleared	808.9	
	Less cheques written but not cleared	72.23	
	Less any cheques still uncleared from last year	-	
	Total (should equal balance at B1.1)	3,879.37	
B1.3	Savings / deposit account balance	2,165.73	2,165.49
B1.4	Petty cash in hand	35.26	35.26
	WI Hall Funds	70,152.52	66,900.31
B1.5	Less any funds held as agent for federation/NFWI, i.e. subscriptions received but not yet paid over enter as a negative amount	- 34.60	
	Total cash funds	76,198.28	72,669.24

B2 Investments (if any)

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B3 Other monetary assets (e.g. any money owed to the WI)

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e.g. WI owned hall, other equipment

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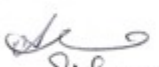
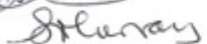
B5 Liabilities

Payments due immediately but not paid, or due at a future date, e.g. loans

	Date due (optional)*	Amount due (optional)*

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Signed on behalf of all the trustees (WI Committee members)

Signature	Name	Date of approval	
	Carol Monahan	27/4/22	President
	Susan Murray	27/4/22	Treasurer

Independent financial examiner's initials:



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## Section C

### Notes to the financial statement

#### C1 Funds received and paid as agent

Complete this section with total amounts received and paid over to the federation in the year

	Receipts this year	Payments this year	Any balance held at year end
	£	£	£
Federation / NFWI share of subscriptions	1,584.80	1,803.20	-218.40
Federation event bookings by individual members	422.00	169.00	253.00
NFWI and / or federation raffle	70.00	70.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,076.80</b>	<b>2,042.20</b>	<b>34.60</b>

#### C2 Details of restricted funds

Complete this section if the WI had any restricted funds during the year

	Receipts this year	Payments this year	Any balance held at year end
	£	£	£
<b>Name or description of restricted fund:</b>			
District Funds	-	-	184.00
Art Group Funds	65.30	-	65.30
<b>Total</b>	<b>65.30</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>249.30</b>

#### C3 Further details of WI activities /fundraising /other

Include additional details that would be helpful to WI members or other readers of the financial statement

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# INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL EXAMINER'S REPORT

To the Trustees of

Bearsted and Thurnham WI

WI

Charity number (if registered)

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I report on the Receipts and Payments Accounts set out on the attached Financial Statement pages 1-3 for the above named WI for the year ended 15-3-2022

## Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

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In connection with my examination no matter has come to my attention, ~~(other than disclosed below)~~:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; and
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have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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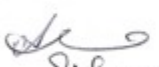
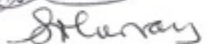
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