

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2024

The year has been a busy one for the Centre, due to the cost-of-living crisis still affecting households across the country, indeed worldwide.

As our building is over 35 years old, all sorts of things are starting to need replacing.

In 2024 we said farewell to our maintenance man Sam as he was unable to fulfil all the outstanding jobs at the Centre.

We were finally able to organise a replacement company under the management of Ian who takes on the regular checks of the premises and has been able to complete various jobs which were still outstanding. Although some will not be completed until next year.

All relevant checks were completed, and a new alarm system has been installed. Boilers were inspected, although we do need to replace them asap. Gardens have been kept pruned and grass mowed and all rubbish from the compost heap has been disposed of.

As we still have some major jobs outstanding it was decided that we should approach the National Lottery for a grant, and this was agreed and £20,000.00 was awarded to us to go towards the cost of the boilers etc. in October 2024. These jobs will be put out to tender in 2025.

Lesley has had major problems with the cost of the utility bills which can exceed more than £2000 each month. Costs are spiralling in keeping the hall warm during the colder months. Even though we have LED bulbs we are struggling to pay such high electricity and gas prices plus VAT at business rate.

Laura has been very busy organising a new website as our old host went bust, this is now up and running with a new host which is not only cheaper but more convenient as we can update the website ourselves, so it is always up to date.

Hall bookings have reduced over the last couple of years and Laura is trying her best to increase these. The weekend bookings are more lucrative for us, but we need more people available to do the opening and closing.

New tables will be purchased as and when we have sufficient funds available.

Our cleaners are still doing a good job of keeping the Centre clean and tidy and all deep cleaning takes place during the school holidays.

All fire extinguishers have been serviced and any out-of-date ones replaced.

In conclusion:

I would like to thank all of the team for their hard work in keeping the Centre up and running, and hopefully we will continue to survive and improve the premises during 2025.

So, here's to a happy and successful 2025.

Patricia Dale
President WPNCCA

Worcester Park and North Cheam Community Association

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31st December 202

	Notes	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>Incoming Resources</u>		£	£
Investment Income		602	432
Grant		20,000	
Charitable trading income		<u>84,526</u>	<u>87,637</u>
Total Incoming resources		<u>105,128</u>	<u>88,069</u>
<u>Resources Expended</u>			
Direct charitable expenditure		74,934	75,971
Non Direct Management and Administration		<u>31,538</u>	<u>27,522</u>
Total resources expenses	2	<u>106,472</u>	<u>103,493</u>
Net resources for the financial year		(1,344)	(15,424)
Funds at 1 st January 2024		<u>370,244</u>	<u>385,668</u>
<u>Funds at 31st December 2024</u>		<u>368,900</u>	<u>370,244</u>

Income and Expenditure comprise unrestricted funds.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Worcester Park & North Cheam
Community Association**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out in the following pages.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Association's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1992 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43(7)(b) of the Act, 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 Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Association 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the Accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act; and
 - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with accounting requirements of the Act

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.



M.J. Barnes, FCPA

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