

SIDEGATE LANE COMMUNITY CENTRE TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 2024

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I am pleased to say that we now have representatives from most sections on the committee and that membership numbers are slightly higher than the previous year.

You will all have noticed that during the summer break last year we had tree surgeons come in and take down a number of trees from the front car park area, as well as do some other necessary work to look after the trees at the side and rear of the building. This has resulted in us being able to use the wood chippings as a mulch on the borders in an attempt to keep the weeds away! This work is ongoing. Paul also did a great amount of maintenance inside the building last summer, including polishing the dance floor and painting the walls and woodwork.

During this past year the committee have been looking into updating the policies and procedures of the centre. We have sought guidance from Community Action Suffolk and have paid for their Health Check Plus which will enable us to further progress this area.

Most of the committee recently attended a Safeguarding Training session run by Community Action Suffolk. Something which was highlighted during this training session was that this centre is so much more than just a building where activities take place. It is very much a place where people come to meet and they form good friendships; genuinely caring and looking out for one another. The sections are their own mini-communities and each one of us contributes to the life of these, so thank you all for making these places of enjoyment.

You will all be aware that it takes a lot of people and hard work to run this centre each week. I would like to thank all of the officers and committee members for their support and efforts over the past year. Both Peter, our Treasurer and Alison, our Secretary, give a lot of their time and they work diligently for us. Neither of them has received an honorarium in the last financial year, so I wish to thank them, not only for their work but also for thinking about the financial circumstances of the centre. A very big thank you to Paul, our Caretaker, for all of his hard work in maintaining our facilities to such a high standard throughout the year. Thank you also, to all of the tutors, section leaders and other volunteers who enable the activities to run smoothly.

Finally, I would like to thank every member of the centre for their commitment to this special place. At a time when there are so many negative things going on in the world in which we live, mental and physical wellbeing has never been so important. May we continue to strive to make this centre a place which has a positive impact on every member. Please do tell your friends and family about the activities we have here and encourage other people to come along and join us.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Hon. Treasurer distributed copies of The Clubs Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2024 with an additional sheet showing the receipts and payments of the Section accounts.

He thanked the members who collect and record class and section fees for the centre. Then he mentioned the main aspects of the accounts:

that our surplus of £3,073 is less this year than previously due to rising costs. The income difference is because we no longer receive grant support as we had in coronavirus times. The payment difference can be seen in increase in costs of Insurance up £400, Electricity up £1,797 and Gas up £438. We have benefitted from a fixed price gas tariff up until renewal during this last year.

Significant costs have been £3,600 for decoration of the outside of the building, £4,250 for the major tree work and grounds work.

SECTION REPORTS

These were received from the following Section Representatives:

Margaret Osborne for Ballroom Dancing

David Vickers for Sequence Dancing

Graham Garrard for Art

Mick Bugg for Badminton

Alison read Tony Crane's report for Carpet Bowls

Alison read Linda Horan's report for Keep Fit

Jean Knapman for Yoga

Margaret Page for Thursday Ladies.

Alison read June Lawrence's report for Wednesday Ladies

Kevin Brazier for Table Tennis

James Spurling for Tea Dance

Dave Rowland for Circle Dance

Dot Walker for Saturday Dance

These reports will be kept with the minutes and can be viewed.

Mary Baxter a member of the Art Section wished to thank Graham and Sue for taking over from Janet, who led the group, when she had to retire during the year.

Margaret Page is now retiring from Thursday Ladies having made the programme for next year. She hopes there will be a volunteer to take over from her.

Linda Horan, the tutor for Keep Fit has not yet achieved a nomination to represent the section.

CONFIRMATION OF SECTION REPRESENTATIVES ON THE MANAGMENT COMMITTEE

These are all nominations from the Sections, this year additionally Proposed and Seconded.

	Proposed	Seconded
BALLROOM DANCE - Margaret Osborne.	James Spurling	Frances Curwen
SEQUENCE DANCE - David Vickers.	Peter Hillman.	Alison Last
ART - Graham Garrard.	Mary Baxter.	Margaret Osborne
BADMINTON - Mick Bugg.	Rachel Daniels.	Peter Hillman
CARPET BOWLS - Tony Crane.	Graham Garrard.	Peter Hillman
YOGA - Jean Knapman.	Rachel Daniels.	Andrew Johns
WEDNESDAY and		
THURSDAY LADIES - June Lawrence.	Margaret Page	James Spurling
TABLE TENNIS - Kevin Brazier.	Shirley Glazebrook	Jenny Wallis
TEA DANCE - James Spurling.	Pat Addison	Peter Hillman
CIRCLE DANCE - Dave Rowland.	Tony Mounter	Margaret Osborne
SATURDAY SOCIAL DANCE - Dot Walker.	Pat Addison.	Dave Rowland

The Art members made a special Thank You to Janet for being their representative after the tutor retired. They are a very happy group.

ELECTION OF ADDITIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

	Proposed	Seconded
Rachel Daniels.	Frances Curwen	Peter Hillman
Peter Keeble.	Jean Knapman.	Kevin Brazier
Pat Addison	Peter Hillman.	Margaret Osborne
Alison Last.	Rachel Daniels.	Jean Knapman
Frances Curwen	Rachel Daniels	Andrew Johns
Peter Hillman.	Dave Rowland.	James Spurling

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

This is to increase as agreed by the committee to £15.00.

This rate has not increased for over 10 years and is necessary for the reasons of increasing costs as pointed out in the Treasurer's report.

There was one expression of concern and one of strong support about this.

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL AMENDMENT TO THE SCHEME GOVERNING SIDEGATE LANE NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP;

Copy of amendment attached. The Chair read this out.

This was agreed by a show of hands- the big majority of members present voted in favour.

APPOINTMENT OF AN INDEPENDANT EXAMINER

The Treasurer recommends that we re-appoint Mr S Lasky FCCA of RDP Accountants to Independently Examine the Accounts next year. Agreed.

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 304776

Report of the Trustees and

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

for

Skedegate Lane Neighbourhood Group

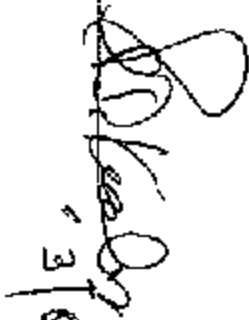
Stediger Lane Neighborhood Group
 Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2024
 Charity Number 304726

	Mar-24 Current	Mar-23	Variance
	£	£	£
RECEIPTS from the Clubs and Groups			
Bedlington	655	383	272
Table Tennis	1,323	1,043	281
Keep Fit	452	9.6	-44
Wednesday Ladies	710	742	32
Carpet Bowls	3,476	3,366	110
Sunday Bowls	83	27	56
Yoga	7,655	6,316	1,340
Thursday Ladies	412	460	12
Art Class	1,078	765	313
Canicra	462	76	-383
Membership	3,220	3,050	170
Tuesday Tea Lunches	5,718	4,323	1,395
Bar	3,882	4,017	-135
Ballroom Dances	3,675	2,718	957
Sequence Dances	3,794	4,379	-585
Saturday social	3,238	8,490	-5,252
Xmas and New Year dances	1,559	992	567
Clubs Dance	2,135	.084	1,051
Xmas Draw	226	40	186
Interest National Savings Investment Account	1,224	147	1,077
Ipworth Borough Council Grants		2,590	-2,590
Donation		110	-110
Total receipts from the Clubs and Groups	51,078	66,703	-15,625
PAYMENTS for the Clubs and Groups			
Bedlington	13		13
Table Tennis	10		10
Keep Fit	690	840	-150
Carpet Bowls			
Yoga	3,468	3,150	318
Wednesday Ladies	2		2
Thursday Ladies	282	185	97
Ballroom Dances	2,813	2,733	80
Sequence Dances	3,525	3,518	7
Saturday social	4,656	5,086	-430
Circle Dance	1,082	540	542
Bar	2,169	2,409	-241
Thursday Tea Dances	2,011	2,039	-28
Xmas Eve and New Year expenses	919	448	470
Total payments for the Clubs and Groups	21,549	20,964	585
PAYMENTS for the establishment			
Administration	795	1,622	-827
Refered Water Rates	174	508	-334
Rates	343		343
Insurance	2,394	2,493	-99
Gas	1,680	1,442	238
Electricity	3,140	1,342	1,797
Cleaning	8,683	5,585	3,098
Repairs and maintenance	2,656	4,132	-1,476
Gardening and leaf clearing	4,021	2,519	1,502
Printing, postage and stationery	308	311	-3
Telephone	240	199	41
Accountancy	1,189	1,134	54
Sundry expenses		21	-21
Total payments for the establishment	26,417	21,409	5,008
Net flow of cash in	3,075	4,331	-1,257

STATEMENT OF ASSETS

Non-monetary assets			
Freehold cost of valuation of land	1,151	1,151	
Land and improvements	32,122	22,122	
Buildings	47,023	47,020	
Improvements to buildings	143,647	145,617	
New B&Bler House and Kitchen	26,484	26,484	
New Extension	151,602	151,502	
New Boiler	7,270	7,270	
New Dishwasher	900	900	
Chairs, sink etc:	33	34	9
For c/o k at cost	619	565	51
Total non-monetary assets	412,848	412,783	66
Monetary assets			
Lloyds bank current account	24,366	22,517	1,849
National Savings Investment account	159,464	158,240	1,224
Cash in hand	100	100	
Total monetary assets	183,930	180,857	3,073
MOVEMENT ON THE MONETARY ASSETS			
National Savings Investment account	158,240	158,093	147
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Approved by the Committee of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:


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Date of approval: June 2024
 The notes on page 3 form part of these accounts

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	2014 £	2013 £
Bar Account		
Receipts	3,882	4,057
Closing stock	53	53
	<u>4,469</u>	<u>4,630</u>
Opening stock	563	595
Payments for stock	2,159	2,297
Bar staff	1,718	1,12
Surplus (as % of receipts 44.8 2013 39.8)	<u>4,469</u>	<u>4,630</u>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

(Report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity Number 3104776 for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 3.)

Reopened bill files and levels of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I have in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 143 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 149(5)(b) of the Act

Independent Examiners Statement
I have completed my examination:

I have no concerns and have no reservations or other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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