

BRANCEPETH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2020/21.

As presented to the AGM of 30 June.

Due to Covid restrictions the hall closed on 23 March 2020 and has yet to fully re-open. We were very grateful for the Government grants which supported our on-going costs.

Although the hall has been closed, we have continued to provide support to the community with a number of initiatives - all following social distancing requirements - as detailed below:

- Brancepeth Springwatch – a dedicated webpage to capture and share photographs
- Interactive online quizzes themed around the seasons and music – keeping people connected
- VE Day Celebrations
- Themed take-aways – using the hall as a collection hub
- Christmas Advent Windows
- Compilation past Xmas Shows DVD for sale
- Online Xmas Show Party
- Easter Trail

In conjunction with the Mid Durham AAP we ran a series of outdoor activities for youngsters during the long school holidays – named 'Brancepeth Alive'.

During the period that the hall was closed we took the opportunity to replace the aging stair lift, refurbished and improved the stage area, installed LED stage spotlights and re-decorated the main hall.

There have been a number of changes to the management committee. We have lost the services from the committee of Joan Taylor, Josie Armstrong, Margot Harrison and Peter Aitken. We wanted to recognise the work of those who have chaired BCA over the years, and we have produced an honours board which names all from the earliest days and will be updated over time.

We have contributed to an apple tree for planting in the allotments in memory of John Morgan and we have installed a seat outside the hall in memory of George Gibbons.

Subscriptions. Due to the extended closure we decided to alter the subscription year from now on to commence 1st July, thus giving members 18 months membership for 2020.

We have at last achieved cancellation of the BT contract for phone and WI-FI, with an effective date of 23 March last year. We have now contracted with PlusNet at a significant cost saving. The free website deal has been withdrawn and we now have a new web hosting service provided by a local company, with the owner a previous village resident.

Our bank balance remains healthy with further receipt of a Covid grant from Government. A sub-group has been formed to review potential green refurbishment options and these will be presented to the committee at future meetings for discussion.

Peter M. Aitken OBE

Chairman.

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105	Various repairs	117.00		
54	PAT testing	38.40		
348	Hall Supplies	158.74		
24	Fire Check	24.29		
141	Hall Painting	1,456.00		
1930	New Stair lift	1,930.80		
166	Cleaning Materials	287.52		
150	PPL/PRS Licence	277.06		
128	Cinema Licence	98.33		
128	Chimney Repairs	1,960.00		
300	Tree Work	336.00		
300	Brancepeth Alive	1,038.99		
300	Stage refurbishment	3,070.79		
180	Skip	230.00		
180	Thank you gifts	198.60		
	Ladder	209.99		
	Printer	399.46		
	Mobile Booster	307.00		
	Memorial Tree	75.00		
632	Locks and Keys			
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200	Joiner			
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2435	New Chairs			
141	Kitchen utensils			
252	Trolley			
172	New glasses			
772	Gate and Fence			
630	Garden maintenance			
215	Gas Service			
80	Piano Tuning			
11,528				12,552.72
82	Admin & Stationery	47.53	341.76	389.29
	Stationery			
	Glasscubes			
Sundries				
18	VE Day poppies + sweets	72.00	20.46	92.46
	Xmas Wreath and lights			
424	Donations:-	100.00	160.00	260.00
	250 Parish Magazine			
	Bugle newsletter			
20,701	TOTAL EXPENSES		20,687.79	
2,194	+ Surplus		5,094.93	
22,895			25,782.72	

1078	Hall Fire	371.00		
1886	Coffee Morning	424.90		
432	Tan Ch	91.00		
168	Choir	63.00		
330	PYU and Rhoecamp	122.00		
314	PCC/Voith club	72.00		
588	Badminton club	175.00		
476	Art Group	110.00		
540	Yoga	148.50		
24	Archives	38.50		
121	Parish Council	22.00		
190	Knit and Natter	45.00		
14	Casual Sports	72.00		
141	Garden Club			
260	Sunday Lunches			
7,354			2,125.90	
77	Gifts of Goods	20.00	20.00	
3008	Functions and Fund raising			
	1316 Quizzes	269.50		
	460 Christmas show DVDs	260.00		
	Race Night	268.13		
	Lads' Night	30.00		
	Santas & Snowmen	140.00		
	68 Progressive supper			
	673 Jazz Night			
	490 Tabletop sale			
	Donations			
	150 Yoga	100.00		
	2 Various donors	78.00		
	500 J Graham			
	320 For defibrillator			
972			178.00	
	Grants			
	3000 Parish Council	3,000.00		
	AAP for printer	400.00		
	AAP for steps+safety rail	363.51		
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	DCC for Brancepeth Alive	940.00		
	DCC for Covid disruption	13,902.50		
	DCC for Stair lift	2,000.00		
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	1000 Sir James Knott Fund			
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