

SUSTAINABLE SHRIVENHAM : TREASURER'S REPORT : 26 September 2019 - 31 March 2020

Our first year of Financial Accounting, and thus this report, covers the 7 months from SS's inaugural meeting held on 26 September 2019 - initiated by our amazing Co-Chairs, Kate Myrie and Kate Mortiboy to assess interest - until 31 March 2020, by which time we were in lockdown #1 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Committee Members self-funded the first few SS activities, but soon realised that wasn't sustainable as none of us could afford it! We therefore began seeking sponsorships and donations to fund further events, workshops, room hire, etc as without these we could not continue.

We are extremely grateful to those who gave us generous **sponsorship** totalling £350.03, namely **Pippa and the other Partners at Kidson Trigg, Alison Davis and Kate Carter**.

We have also received very kind **donations** totalling £958.08 from **attendees** at our highly-successful events of Gift Wrapping, E-cars and Children's Clothes Exchange, **SS Committee Members, Shrivenham Fete Committee, THE Pete Townsend**, and two of our valued High Street businesses namely **Eddie Campbell** of 'The Prince of Wales' and **Stuart Spencer** of 'Minerva Estate Agency

We extend a huge thank you to all our donors and sponsors without whom Sustainable Shrivenham could not have achieved all it has to date and may we make this plea for others to follow suite if they are able to do so, in order for us to keep making progress.

We have acquired a few assets - a few due to the unavoidable postponement of our planned Sustainability Event due to be held on 28 March 2020, then June 2020, and now hopefully in 2021! We are currently holding c.£200 as hire monies paid by stallholders in anticipation of the event being able to go ahead. Assets include two large reusable SS banners, eye-catching and matching t-shirts with our logo on for the Committee Members to be easily identified at events and to help publicise the group, a heavy duty stapler gun and staples, and some craft items.

Our monies have been spent on hiring rooms at the Memorial Hall for members' meetings and our events (so reinvested in the village), hosting of our official SS Website, hiring of name domain and Facebook advertising of events, etc, and printing costs for our posters for events to inform interested parties who do not use social media.

We also received an ex gratia amount of £25 from the Co-operative Bank in response to our complaint at the time taken to process and approve Sustainable Shrivenham's application for an official bank account. The delay caused this year's accountancy records to be much more convoluted than would be usual or desirable, as committee members had to pay monies in and out of their own personal bank accounts for SS items whilst we waited. We therefore also especially thank

Louise Slater FCMA for her guidance and patience as our internal examiner for the accounts, in accordance with the accounting requirements of CAG Oxfordshire. Please contact me on Sandra.green3@yahoo.co.uk if you wish to see the approved accounts as submitted.

In summary, the following figures show our total **Income**, **Outgoings** and **Balance** from the 2019/2020 accounting period:

2019/2020 Income:	£1575.52
-2019/2020 Outgoings:	£ 696.10
TOTAL BALANCE:	<u>£ 879.42*</u>

Monies are Carried Forward as follows as we go into Year 2:

Cash held:	£ 53.52
In SS's Co-op Bank Account:	£827.92
TOTAL:	<u>£881.44*</u>

(*£2.02 unaccounted for)

To have the above funds available to us as we go into Year 2 of SS's activities places us in a good position to be able to continue the very strong first 7 months of the group's existence.

Sandra Green
Treasurer, Sustainable Shrivenham CAG