

## HASSOCKS AMENITY ASSOCIATION

### The 48<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held at Downlands School On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 7.00 p.m.

**Present.** Margaret Ford in the Chair and about 31 HAA members.

**1. Apologies for absence.** Les Campbell, Jonathan Soper, Paul and Liz Mercer

**2. Minutes of previous meeting.** - were signed as a correct record.

**3. Treasurer's report.**

The accounts for 2015-2016 were distributed to members and are attached. Bob gave an explanation of the various sources of income and the major expenditure. He also circulated a statement showing our current cash situation which was summarised as being very healthy. The meeting formally approved the accounts for 2015-2016.

**4. Village Lottery**

Bob showed a slide of the performance of the village lottery over the past three seasons.(copy attached) It was noted that the number of tickets sold had fallen each year. A brief discussion on the disposition of 2016 lottery funds took place and it was agreed that Light Up Hassocks and the Hassocks Hub (both Community Partnership groups) should benefit this year.

**5. Election of Officers** The Chairman (Margaret Ford), the Vice-Chairman (Janet Slaughter) and the Treasurer (Bob Kenhard) were re-elected en bloc.

**6. Election of elected members.** Catherine Cassidy, Fred Maillardet and Colin Wilsdon were all due to retire but were willing to stand again. They were re-elected en bloc.

**7. Chairman's report**

Membership remained static, with membership renewal at 98% The Rail Group in particular had been particularly active, representing members' views on the new franchise and the appalling deterioration in rail services. The results of week by week monitoring were regularly conveyed to our MP and were presented at the Thameslink Programme Stakeholders' Reference Group. Residents' views regarding ticket office opening had continued to be raised at meetings with responsible staff.

The successful completion of the restoration of Spitalford Bridge had been celebrated last summer, and the next phase of the work was moving forward: the creation of a 'green heart to Hassocks'. HKD Transition enthusiastically responded to our invitation to them to join us, and a programme of stream clearing and planting is well advanced, and surveys of water quality and invertebrates are in hand.

In addition, the Green group was now looking after two raised beds, nine pots and baskets, plus the Stonepound horse trough, and a new bed at the station.

Discussions continue regarding a merger with Hassocks Community Partnership. Our leads are Jonathan Soper, Bob Kenhard and Fred Maillardet.

**8.** The meeting, necessarily brief as it was followed by a public meeting *Thinking Green about Flooding in Hassocks*, was followed by an open forum which concentrated on the work of the rail group. Catherine Cassidy was able to answer a wide variety of questions.

Margaret Ford

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## Income and Expenditure Account

for year ending 29/02/16

| Income                                    | 2015/16           | Notes | 2014/15            |
|---|-------------------|-------|--------------------|
| Subscriptions                             | £ 2,303.50        |       | £ 1,897.50         |
| Donations                                 | £ 884.96          | 1     | £ 79.00            |
| HMRC gift aid                             | £ 493.02          |       | £ 345.00           |
| Bank Interest                             | £ 8.58            |       | £ 5.40             |
| Green Group                               | £ 675.00          | 2     | £ -                |
| Spitalford Bridge project                 | £ 235.00          | 3     | £ 5,450.00         |
| Lottery Costs refunded                    | £ -               |       | £ 12.00            |
| Rail Group                                | £ -               |       | £ -                |
| Miscellaneous                             | £ -               |       | £ -                |
| Operation Watershed WSCC                  | £ 13,236.00       |       | £ -                |
| Lottery Sales                             | £ 4,881.00        | 4     | £ 5,596.00         |
| Total income                              | £ 22,717.06       |       | £ 13,384.90        |
| Expenditure                               |                   |       |                    |
| Stationery                                | £ 338.61          |       | £ 323.44           |
| Newsletters                               | £ -               |       | £ -                |
| Printing                                  | £ 345.17          |       | £ -                |
| Postage                                   | £ -               |       | £ 12.72            |
| Insurance                                 | £ 270.00          |       | £ 270.00           |
| Membership fees - other bodies            | £ 120.00          | 5     | £ 120.00           |
| Refreshments -events                      | £ -               |       | £ -                |
| Secretarial Svcs                          | £ -               |       | £ 756.36           |
| Donations                                 | £ -               |       | £ 1,000.00         |
| Rail Group                                | £ 916.30          | 6     | £ 110.24           |
| Lottery set up costs & refunds            | £ 226.47          |       | £ 350.14           |
| Lottery prizes                            | £ 2,155.20        |       | £ 2,433.30         |
| Lottery Donations made LUH & Scouts       | £ 2,000.00        |       | £ 2,003.00         |
| Watershed contractors                     | £ 5,251.97        |       | £ -                |
| Spitalford Bridge project                 | £ 84.42           |       | £ 8,998.80         |
| Room hire                                 | £ 22.00           |       | £ 40.00            |
| Miscellaneous inc sub refunds             | £ -               |       | £ 30.00            |
| Millenium Clock Maintenance               | £ 435.60          | 7     | £ -                |
| Green Group                               | £ 584.22          |       | £ 435.32           |
| IT/Website                                | £ 62.00           |       | £ 71.09            |
| Total expenditure                         | £ 12,811.96       |       | £ 16,954.41        |
| <b>Surplus of Income over Expenditure</b> | <b>£ 9,905.10</b> |       | <b>-£ 3,569.51</b> |

### Notes

1. Includes return of Beacon Centre grant and FOSA share + £159 for stream work
2. WSCC £500 towards Keymer tubs move and planting + HPC grant
3. Includes Friends and Neighbours donation £175
4. Includes subs for 14/15 and 2016 seasons
5. FOSAS £25, CPRE £80, HMSVA £15
6. Includes £120 on leaflets and balance on planting around station
7. 2015 and 2016 in this FY

## Hassocks Amenity Association

**Balance Sheet**

For year ending 29/02/16

|   | 2015/2016          | Notes | 2014/2015          |
|---|--------------------|-------|--------------------|
| <b>Current Assets</b>   |                    |       |                    |
| Bank and Cash   |                    |       |                    |
| - HSBC Current  | £ 678.05           |       | £ 438.94           |
| - HSBC Deposit  | £ 17,542.73        | 1     | £ 9,750.12         |
| HSBC Lottery Current  | £ 647.26           |       | £ 472.53           |
| Gift Aid outstanding  | £ 491.25           |       | £ 345.00           |
| <b>total current assets</b>   | <b>£ 19,359.29</b> |       | <b>£ 11,006.59</b> |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>  |                    |       |                    |
| Unpresented Cheques etc   | £ 161.60           |       | £ 187.20           |
| Subs prepaid  | £ 115.00           |       | £ 212.00           |
| VAT to Crown Civil Eng  | £ -                |       | £ 1,429.80         |
| Lottery prizes  | £ -                |       | £ -                |
| <b>total current liabilities</b>  | <b>£ 276.60</b>    |       | <b>£ 1,829.00</b>  |
| <b>Net Assets</b>   | <b>£ 19,082.69</b> |       | <b>£ 9,177.59</b>  |
| Represented by  |                    |       |                    |
| Opening balance 1st March   | £ 9,177.59         |       | £ 12,747.10        |
| Surplus (deficit)   | £ 9,905.10         |       | -£ 3,569.51        |
| Balance as at 29 Feb 2016   | <b>£ 19,082.69</b> |       | <b>£ 9,177.59</b>  |
| Notes   |                    |       |                    |
| 1. Includes £4k Lottery Funds. Proceeds will be distributed in July/August 2016 |                    |       |                    |
| <b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>   |                    |       |                    |
| <b>Rail Group Fund</b>  |                    |       |                    |
| Opening Balance   | £ 2,172.46         |       | £ 2,282.70         |
| Income  | £ -                |       | £ -                |
| Sub total   | <b>£ 2,172.46</b>  |       | <b>£ 2,282.70</b>  |
| Less expenditure  | £ 916.30           |       | £ 110.24           |
| Balance carried forward   | <b>£ 1,256.16</b>  |       | <b>£ 2,172.46</b>  |
| <b>Spitalford Bridge Fund</b>   |                    |       |                    |
| Opening Balance   | -£ 1,388.87        |       | £ 2,159.93         |
| Donations   | £ 235.00           |       | £ 5,450.00         |
| Sub total   | <b>-£ 1,153.87</b> |       | <b>£ 7,609.93</b>  |
| Less expenditure  | £ 84.42            |       | £ 8,998.80         |
| Balance carried forward   | <b>-£ 1,238.29</b> |       | <b>-£ 1,388.87</b> |
| <b>Village Lottery Fund</b>   |                    |       |                    |
| Opening Balance   | £ 5,216.33         |       | £ 5,057.63         |
| Subscriptions   | £ 4,881.00         |       | £ 5,593.00         |
| Sub total   | <b>£ 10,097.33</b> |       | <b>£ 10,650.63</b> |
| Less expenditure  | £ 2,000.00         |       | £ 3,000.00         |
| Prizes  | £ 2,180.80         |       | £ 2,433.30         |
| Set up costs & refunds  | £ 226.47           |       | £ 1.00             |
| Sub total   | <b>£ 4,407.27</b>  |       | <b>£ 5,434.30</b>  |
| Balance carried forward   | <b>£ 5,690.06</b>  |       | <b>£ 5,216.33</b>  |
| <b>Operation Watershed Fund</b>   |                    |       |                    |
| Income  | £ 13,236.00        |       | £ -                |
| Less expenditure  | £ 5,251.97         |       | £ -                |
| Balance carried forward   | <b>£ 7,984.03</b>  |       | <b>£ -</b>         |
| Total restricted funds above  | £ 13,691.96        |       | £ 5,999.92         |
| Provision for current Spitalford shortfall                                      | £ 1,238.29         |       | £ 1,388.87         |
| Unpresented lottery prize cheques   | -£ 161.60          |       | -£ 187.20          |
| Adjusted restricted funds   | £ 14,768.65        |       | £ 7,201.59         |
| Available funds   | £ 4,314.04         |       | £ 1,976.00         |
| <b>Total Funds</b>  | <b>£ 19,082.69</b> |       | <b>£ 9,177.59</b>  |

