



From The Treasurer, Backwell Camera Club
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Treasurers Report 2019 - 2020

An unusual year. 24 meetings held as against a normal year of 34 or so so Door Takings show a reduction of £917 whereas Rent for the hall only reduced by £206. Subscriptions show a slight fall (1.75 members) Practical group income exceeded rent by £11 and Travel a small deficit £41 after last years surplus.

Most other lines show little difference from last year.

We have a small deficit of income from expenditure of £186.36.

Due to the Covid crisis it has become clear to your committee that we need to plan for a whole year without face to face meetings under cover. As zoom is relatively inexpensive £14.39 a month we feel that our reserves are sufficiently robust that we can give members a "free" year without the need for a subscription. Club audio visual equipment is not being used and speakers are, so far, levying baseline charges with no travel, of course.

We may have a problem if the W.I. hall ask us to vacate our storage cupboards if not returning to using the hall - but no noise as yet.

So if we have a successful programme of talks say £1100 plus Zoom £140 plus Insurance ??? £480??? we could see our reserves reduce by under £2k leaving a healthy amount of £4500 in the bank.

Insurance is a difficult one as "do we need it?" if we are not holding meetings - although we still have the occasional outside event - Practical Group- so that is to be advised.

For the future I would ask you to bear in mind that inevitably prices will increase. W.I.Hall rent had already risen from £35 to £53 per night .Speakers will do the same so at some point we will have to consider Subscriptions and Door Fees increases.

Thank you to David Callister for auditing the accounts.

Malcolm Flintoff
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