

ODFAA Treasurer's Report 2014

The attached balance sheet shows in the **left** columns the association income for the year to be £2730.47. It is composed of 4 elements – shown in the four columns. Column one details 2455 member payments @ 40p. The second column details a transfer from the City Council of £978 for the competition which has not happened in previous years. It has enabled much simpler distribution of prize money for our organising sub-committee, and direct payment of the expenses. The third column details the refund of insurance from OCC, but for last year not this year, that is still awaited. The Miscellaneous column shows donations for broad bean seeds donated by Richard and also the bank interest.

The top part of the **right** hand side details the balancing outgoings. So, the competition costs appear as £711.17, but there is a bill for £311 shown lower down the page which was three months late arriving and will show on the accounts for 2015. Our insurance bill of £497.70 is noted. We offered refreshments at the January and April meetings, but because of the contracted catering in the Town hall we have had to cease that provision. Secretarial expenses are also detailed. In the same column is the cost of the November evening event with Steve Brookes. Expenses detailed sum to £1497.40

The **summary** box details the surplus for the year £1233.07 derived from income set against expenditure, and the bank balances at the start [*] and end [**]of the year. I have included in the final section beneath the greyed out boxes, adjustments to the closing balance to allow for 5 cheques that had not been presented by 31st December and the outstanding bar bill, hence the true closing balance [***]. I have also indicated the expected refund from OCC.

We had planned expected to subsidise the competition by about £250, but even allowing for the unpaid bill noted on the balance sheet the competition only cost us £44. A change of personell at the Parks Dept resulted in us being given the budget of £978 but the responsibility to directly issue all cheques for prizes and expenses. It proved to be a much simpler way of operating for Tim Treacher and the sub-committee.

Our direct income from subscriptions and 'misc' totalled £1005.88, set against that was £288 of administration.

For the second winter we operated an evening event in the Town Hall – this year Steve Brookes provided an excellent presentation at a cost of £203 being well within the budget allowed. Given a couple of interested members on the ODFAA committee we could do more to educate allotment holders in the winter season as we do hold a sound operating balance enabling us to run events. We can also think towards how we should mark the centenary of allotments in the City in 2019.

In order to operate any events or to fund training for associations, committees and members our sound bank balance must be maintained. Without that any thoughts of hiring speakers and venues could not be entertained. Independent examination

The accounts have been examined by Mike Nunn, Treasurer of HDAA.