



Sapcote Community Library

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Financial Report for 2019 Annual General Meeting

This is the Financial Report for Sapcote Community Library for the period up to
31st July 2019

INCOME

Leicester County Council Quarterly Contract Grant	£ 4,231.00
Blaby Council Summer Fayre Grant	£ 500.00
Donation by Sapcote Parish Council	£ 1,000.00
Sapcote Parish Council Ground Maintenance	£ 1,370.00

TOTAL GRANTS FROM PUBLIC SECTOR **£ 7,101.00**

Garfield Western Grant	£ 44,000.00
Membership Fees from Friends of the Library	£ 185.00
Business Membership	£ 100.00
Donations Friends & Members	£ 284.00
Blaby Lottery	£ 673.50
Red Charity Bucket	£ 94.79
World of Books	£ 78.61
Desk Takings	£ 2,404.31

Summer Fayre	£ 510.65
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Sapcote Sales Invoices	£ 35.50
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Misc

Rates Refund	£ 582.44
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Race Night	£ 100.00
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Gazebo Hire	£ 100.00
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Dinner Tickets	£ 126.00
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Knitting Group	£ 24.00
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<u>Gross Profit</u>	<u>£ 56,399.80</u>
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EXPENDITURE

Operating Costs

Web Site		£ 428.00
ADT Lease		£ 332.40
Insurance		£ 581.46
Electricity		£ 648.30
Gas		£ 616.13
Water		£ 434.16
Garfield Grant		£ 38,316.94
Expenses		£ 2,520.04
LCC Cleaning		£ 386.61
Garden Maintenance		£ 1,370.00
Summer Fayre		£ 453.00
MISC		£ 391.00
Rual Dinner	£ 336.00	
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J Martin Talk	£ 25.00	
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</u>		£ 46,478.24

SUMMARY

GROSS PROFIT	£ 56,399.80
EXPENDITURE	£ 46,478.24
NET PROFIT	£ 9,921.56
BANK BALANCE AST AT 31.07.18	£ 14,894.71
BANK BALANCE AS AT 31.07.19	£ 24,816.27

Note Net Profit includes £ 4,437.01 left from Garfield Western Grant

Signed:-




Date November 2019

L Jackson

S Jenkins

Chair


Treasurer

Date November 2019

Audit:-

S Warren

Signed:-


14th December 2019.

CHAIRWOMANS' REPORT

Ladies & Gentlemen

I am very pleased to welcome you all to our 3rd AGM meeting this evening and to see so many of you here.

It's easy to forget we've only been a community library for 3 years. Firstly, I wanted to share with you some really good development in our visitor numbers. In our first year the visitor numbers were 5130, in year 2 we had a rise of almost 600 customers which took us to 5730 and I am delighted to tell you that in our third year we have again increased our footfall by over 1000 customers, so in this last year we had 6880 visitors. This is a wonderful achievement and something we can all be very proud of.

In October last year, we entered and were shortlisted as a finalist in the RCC Awards, we eventually finished as a Runner Up in the Best Community Library category. Whilst disappointed not to win, this was great recognition for all our volunteers who worked so tirelessly for their community and keep our library going.

I believe we have had another good year, alongside sustaining the Library service we have continued to offer different activities. But our biggest achievement this year, and I know you will agree has been the improvements to the building itself.

Successful Grant Applications

This year again we have been successful with several grant applications – so we had

- Garfield Weston £44,000
- Blaby Community fund (for Summer Fayre) £500
- We have been lucky enough that the Parish Council has continued with their support and have given us a grant of £1000 again this year in addition to providing ground maintenance costs of £1370. I would like to acknowledge and thank the Parish Council for their continued support.

Fund Raising

- **Blaby Lottery** This year we continued with the Blaby Lottery and we now have a regular 27 tickets sold every week where a % of the money comes directly to the library, we are receiving an average £56 per month as a source of income and already have had 28 winners
- We have continued to be lucky enough that the local Allotment gardeners have kindly continued to donate surplus vegetables and plants for us to sell and this year we have already raised almost £100

Events this year

I want to recognise just a few of the events that we have offered during the year, both in the library and where we have been involved with community events.

Our Monday Coffee Zone has continued to be popular and which has a good regular group of attendees and they even had their own Christmas event. Thanks go to Margaret, David and Susan who continue to manage this independently.

The Knitting Group has thrived this year, again with a regular group of ladies attending, most recently they have been knitting poppies for the poppy displays around the village which I think you will agree look fabulous.

We had a Field of Gold display in the Harvest Festival church display back in October

I wanted to recognise and thank Ann Taylor who has led these projects which she does in addition to looking after the book sales and now also running the knitting group.

For our children's events this year, we have some different themes and a Magic Show and the Reptiles both of which proved popular.

Museum exhibits and they have provided a feature in our library which has proved very popular – different themes including World War 1, what in your mobile phone, games from the past, and most recently finds from Sapcote castle.

Quarterly lunchtime talks with a variety of authors and speakers on a number of subjects all of which have been well attended. This is something we are already planning to continue for next year.

Summer Reading Challenge – this year was again a success and we had Space Adventures in the library.

Summer Fayre

We held our 3rd Summer Fayre organised with other village groups and I am pleased to say that the event was again a great success and enjoyed by all and the library raised £643. We are already been asked about next years event.

Marketing & Publicity

I wanted to say a huge thank you to Mike Lee who has continued to ensure that we are regularly promoting what we are doing in all the local publications.

I promised Teresa I wouldn't make a fuss about her move but I couldn't let this opportunity pass without saying a huge thank you to Teresa who was a founder of this community library and has continued to be at the centre of all that we have achieved. We are all going to miss her being such a regular part of Sapcote and particularly the library and want to wish her and Mike well in their new home and surroundings as they move to Farndon. I am pleased to say that Teresa will continue to volunteer with us for the near future on a less frequent basis.

I want to take some time to acknowledge all our volunteers who help in so many ways – whether that's cleaning, gardening, books, events – so many of them just happen now, but as a committee we are so appreciative of what you all do.

The continued success of this library is a great achievement and a really credit to you and the work you put into keeping the library going. You all take a great personal-pride and enjoyment in what we are achieving and I am proud to be part of this team.

So finally, for all of you whether you are volunteers or Friends of the Library we are very grateful for your support, comments and suggestions that help us to run the library service and encourage us to continually keep reviewing and adding new activities and events.

Lorraine Jackson
November 2019