

# The Old Bank Annual General Meeting

## Chair's Report, 17 May 2020

Our remit is to maintain and manage a community building, in the interests of social welfare, for the benefit of the residents of Camelford and surrounding area. We liaise with other community groups, programming complementary events and activities requested by local residents. Should a clash arise over a booking, priority is given to longer-standing bookings with more public benefit.

We are at the heart of the community with disabled parking outside the door, the town car park within 150 metres; we also have a wheel-chair accessible toilet. We rent three rooms for various regular & one-off events & activities, as well as organising some clubs & events ourselves. We keep tickets & fees low to encourage more people in this very deprived area to attend more often. Current users include all genders and an age range to over 90; we've been awarded Dementia Friendly status by our local Memory Café. While trustees initiated most of the clubs and activities, most are now run by the users.

Trustees meet bi-monthly to review progress and consider future plans, in line with Charity Commission guidance; trustees age ranges from late teens to 70s. On 10 March in the light of Covid19, we placed laminated signs in toilets to encourage correct hand-washing, made hand-driers operational to avoid paper towel use, and sent an e-mail to all members and users asking them not to come if they had any symptoms or if they were vulnerable. However, in the light of the government advice, we took the decision to close the Old Bank on 17 March. We established a team of volunteers, registered with Volunteer Cornwall, to offer local support over shopping, medicine collection etc. We will not open until it is safe to do so; we are discussing what measures can be taken to contribute to that. Our third AGM should be held in June, but will be held as soon as it is possible for groups to meet face-to-face. We hope to attract even more people to it by offering live music and free refreshments.

We rent rooms for a regular Second Hand Clothes Sale, host fund-raising events for the Community Larder, Brownies, Greening Camelford, and Save the Children Fund. Other organisations rent space for meetings, such as English Heritage, the North Cornwall Youth Parliament; Young Offenders' team; Lanteglos Church restoration appeal; Diabetic Screening Service; the local WI and one-off bookings - including for a Druidry Workshop!

Healthy living is encouraged by Zumba Gold, Camelford Walkers, Cornwall Council's Stop Smoking Clinic, and while other regular activities boost well being including Lip Reading, Life Drawing, a Tate St Ives linked Look Group, dancing, a Book Club, Film Club etc. We always welcome the community into the Old Bank for refreshments on family occasions such as the Christmas Lights, the Camelford Carnival, and Fun Week. We also run a community printing service used by two local village magazines, the local Leisure Centre (itself a Community Benefit Company, community run since the local authority pulled out), and other local individuals and businesses.



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## **Treasurer's Report April 2020**

1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020

Opening balance: £6,807.70 (including £50 petty cash)

Receipts: £11,962.55

Payments: £8,799.83

Closing balance: £10,013.66 - £43.24 owed to JJH\* =  
£9970.42

\*This was for food for last year's AGM, which we forgot to claim for or repay.

£2009.09 is in a deposit account (£8.54 interest this year).

We have made a surplus of £3162.72.



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## Receipts breakdown:

Printing	£8,075
Room Hire	£2,453
Refreshments (mostly for Clubs)	£625
Events	-£139
Book Sales	£20
Donations	£920
Bank Interest	£9

## Payments breakdown:

Printing	£3,513
Rent, Rates, Building Insurance	£853
Licences, Public Liability Insurance	£1,017
Utilities	£2,158
Club Expenses (food & drink)	£167
Sundries (including Cleaner)	£593
Building Works	£128
Equipment	£370
Trustee Expenses	£0



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These figures are generally in line with those for last year, with minor increases in the routine expenses, but no major outlays on Buildings, Equipment or a new copier. Printing costs were less, as there were fewer repairs and consumables are a bit cheaper with the newer machine. There was slightly more income from Printing and a bit less from Room Hire and Donations, and we made a smaller loss on Events this year.

### **Co-op Grant:**

Breakdown of how the money was spent – from 2018/19

**Equipment and materials** £400

Tables, door closers, paint, key safe, etc

**Events** £725

OB Birthday Party, AGM, poet on International Womens' Day, hot drinks during Xmas lights switch-on

**Printing** £300

Xmas discounts, cheap printing for charitable causes

**Cheap/free room hire for start-ups, etc** £1000

Cornish & Spanish language, 1<sup>st</sup> Aid, Youth café – use of projector, WI, Memory Café, CCCB, Messy Pups art for pre-school, various music events

**Christmas treats** £100

Seasonal food and drink for regular clubs

We have given discounts and seasonal treats this year too!

**Thanks to everyone for supporting the Old Bank.**



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