

HKCA ANNUAL REPORT 2019

PART 1 – REVIEW

THE BRUNCH on the Green, October. The purpose of the Brunch was to welcome students and new residents and this seemed to be a successful event if we measure the number of students attending. However we have to weigh the event up in terms of the effort and the financial costs as well as the energy it takes and the outcome achieved. Too few people shouldered the planning, organisation and physical time involved in putting the event together although thanks to those who supported us on the day: to mention a few – Dan, Lucy, Jay from Tiffin and a special thank you to Ken for continuing to keep the prizes for the brunch. Bearing in mind, the weather in October, it may be worth considering moving the event physically to an indoor space such as Beerd and/or changing the venue to another time of the year.

We are a small dedicated group who strive for, and achieve, considerably more than could reasonably be expected. The playground was an outstanding success arising from years of negotiation and dogged determinism. Achieving charitable status was also a huge step for us and with regard to this, the Co-op has recently adopted us as one of their charities. If not already a member, could you please consider becoming one!

The long wall bordering the children's playground has for years, been a major concern both in terms of safety and whether we should replace or rebuild it. On the one hand, the Council claimed they could do no more than to address the safety issue, ie, by removing loose bricks and erecting Harris fencing; on the other hand, they would not let us do anything about it either. This stalemate was resolved when Cllr Anthony Negus stepped in and persuaded the Council after all, to rebuild the wall. Huge thanks to Anthony for this.

PART 2 – LOOKING AHEAD

Green High Kingsdown – is led unstintingly by Karen with an ongoing development plan to provide a green environment supporting indigenous eco-systems and to create and maintain attractive beds and borders along the paths. GHK has made an excellent partnership with the University Roots gardening group where students volunteer to help with creating wild-flower areas, weeding and composting. The next community gardening session will be Nov 27th - all welcome meet in the playground at 1.25pm. We are also co hosting a talk "Wilding your Kingsdown Garden" at Cotham Parish Church 7pm for 7.30pm.

High Kingsdown – a sustainable community

We want living in High Kingsdown to be an uplifting, enjoyable and pleasant experience. We realise it's up to us. We are High Kingsdown and if we work together we can make sure we all love where we live. We need your help...

PROBLEMS:

- Every October and May our estate has a rubbish and fly-tipping crisis. This year moving in has been particularly acute with mountains of detritus accumulating in 'hotspots'.
- We have an ongoing problem with ugly tags appearing on garages & walls weekly and sometimes daily.
- Residents regularly suffer from late night noise disturbance, either from revellers out on the streets, from house parties or loud music.

ACTIONS:

- HKCA volunteers are carrying out a bin survey at the moment and numbering bins.
- Bristol Waste Company has recently stepped up to the plate to remove graffiti and clean up the lanes. We have a tag action group which meets regularly to paint over tags. All welcome.
- Please report new tags to <https://www.bristol.gov.uk> › streets-travel › graffiti. It doesn't take very long.
- If you go out of your door and see bin bags, clothes or food waste spread over on the pavement, please can we ask that you help us by reporting it. <https://www.bristol.gov.uk> › report-a-street-issue
- Please ask neighbours to return bins to their gardens.
- If there is a particular house with antisocial problems, not dealing with waste properly or is noisy, please help us by reporting this house to the university, community-living@bristol.ac.uk, to their agent, or to the landlord.

High Kingsdown Community Association**Annual Accounts****Accounts as of 31 May 2020**

	<u>1/1/2019 to 31/12/19</u>	<u>1/1/2018 to 31/12/18</u>	<u>1/1/2017 to 31/12/17</u>
Income			
Donations to Communal Fund	555.40	1,203.05	1,144.40
Donations collected by Co-op	247.84	-	-
Donation to Wall Fund	433.00	380.00	79.00
Donation to Green Fund	381.95	-	4.00
Grants to Wall Fund	-	-	-
Grants to Green Fund	250.00	-	-
Adverts for HK News	150.00	60.00	-
Money Transfer for Flats	-	340.00	1,380.00
Carol Singing for Charity	-	-	75.00
In Memory of Kay Ward	-	-	696.87
Income from social events	158.73	397.77	84.18
	<u>2,176.92</u>	<u>2,380.82</u>	<u>3,463.45</u>
Expenditure			
Hire of Room for Open Meetings	46.00	30.50	38.25
Other Open Meeting Costs	87.23	20.79	22.41
Stationery and Photocopying.	-	-	43.00
Newsletter	174.39	313.96	140.36
Thank You Gifts	-	74.50	13.00
Spending on Estate Walls	-	250.00	781.00
Spending on Estate Green	649.20	633.98	263.89
Money Transferred to Flats	-	820.00	900.00
Charity Expenses (Including Insurance)	238.15	164.00	-
Committee Meeting Expenses	18.45	46.25	47.31
Graffiti Removal	76.39	24.50	-
Opening of Renewed Playground	-	664.12	-
Social Events	596.95	-	-
Donation to Julian Trust	-	-	75.00
Playground Notice Board	-	555.54	-
	<u>1,886.76</u>	<u>3,598.14</u>	<u>2,324.22</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	290.16	- 1,217.32	1,139.23
General Fund Brought Forward	3,032.04	4,249.36	3,110.13
Total Funds Carried Forward	<u>3,322.20</u>	<u>3,032.04</u>	<u>4,249.36</u>
Represented by:			
Cash in Hand	18.99	14.88	27.98
Bank Account	3,303.21	3,017.16	4,221.38
	<u>3,322.20</u>	<u>3,032.04</u>	<u>4,249.36</u>
Split into:			
Communal Fund	1,584.09	1,709.68	2,246.90
Wall Fund	1,631.98	1,198.98	1,068.98
Green Fund	106.13	123.38	453.48
Residual Flats Transfer	-	-	480.00
	<u>3,322.20</u>	<u>3,032.04</u>	<u>4,249.36</u>

Martin Smith (Treasurer)
May 31, 2020

Checked 1/1/19 to 31/12/19 and found accurate
Signed _____ Date _____