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**Charity Commission Annual Return**

**Period ending: 31 March 2021**

**Setting: Gadebridge Community Association**

**Charity registration number; 1110831**

**Enclosing:**

**AGM Agenda dated: 13 September 2021**

**AGM minutes: 13 September 2021**

**Treasurer's report dated: 30 May 2021**

**Annual audit dated: 16 June 2021**

**Accounts to: 31 March 2021**

**Relevant information:**

**Government grant received during accounting period: £22,308**

**Furlough received during accounting period: £14,688**

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## **GADEBRIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

**AGM Thursday 13 September 2021 7:00pm at the Community Centre (Galley Hall, upstairs)**

### **AGENDA**

**Welcome by Chairman**

**Record attendees and apologies for absence**

**Minutes of 24 October 2019 Matters arising, if any**

**Reports 1) Chairman**

**2) Treasurer (including accounts and re-electing Independent Examiner)**

**3) Group reports (if any)**

**Re-Election of Managing Trustees:**

**Sue Geraghty**

**Isy Imarni**

**Lee Jevon**

**Pearl Oguchi**

**Claire Patfield**

**Roger M Taylor**

**Dave Woodard**

**Sue Woodard**

**All the above offer themselves for re-election**

**To add to the managing Trustees**

**Fiona Geraghty**

**Fiona has been duly proposed and seconded and agreed to accept the duties of a Managing Trustee if so elected.**

**Note: There are Holding Trustees appointed, solely to hold the lease(s) from DBC on behalf of GCA as an unincorporated body cannot hold property. They remain in place until a new deed is engrossed changing any of them. They by definition cannot be Managing Trustees.**

**To close the meeting**

## **GADEBRIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

**Minutes of AGM Thursday 13 September 2021 7:00pm at the  
Community Centre (Galley all, upstairs)**

**The Chairman welcomed all present with a reminder to sign the attendance register.**

**Apologies for absence duly recorded and attendance register complete,**

**Minutes of 24 October 2020 proposed, seconded and approved by all present. Signed by the Chairman.**

**Reports 1) Chairman outlined the efforts of the last year and recorded his congratulations on achieving the successes during a testing time. It is affirmed that there may be another lockdown but we are well prepared if that does become necessary.**

**2) Treasurer detailed the two separate settings with detail of extra information needed for the Gadebridge Youth Club (referred to as The Annexe). As we had a Government Grant for each setting, that for GYC took us over the £10,000 income bracket. Subsequently, separate reports to go to The Charity Commission as usual but with fuller information for GYC. Treasure's report included a record of grateful thanks for the Independent Examiner's continued support and recording his willingness to continue in that role. That was duly proposed, seconded and agreed by all.**

**3) Group reports (if any). There were none. The Treasurer detailed the new outsourced Preschool and the addition of a crèche for the 0 – 2-year-olds.**

**Election of Managing Trustees: the following were re-elected:**

**Sue Geraghty**

**Isy Imarni**

**Lee Jevon**

**Pearl Oguchi      A nominated DBC Councillor**

**Claire Patfield    A nominated DBC Councillor**

**Roger M Taylor**

**Dave Woodard**

**Sue Woodard**



**Having been proposed and seconded and the necessary form submitted to the Trustees ahead of the 28-day requirement, Fiona Geraghty was duly elected to the board of Managing Trustees and given a warm welcome.**

**There being nothing else to deal with, the Chairman thanked all those present for their support, not only for the AGM but for their ongoing support which is so appreciated.**

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**The meeting was duly closed at 7:20pm and there followed a general discussion on the two settings and the future of the Preschool which is looking bright.**

**Signed.....Date.....**

**N.B. As is usual, there was a very brief meeting to propose, second and approve the re-election of Dave Woodard for the ensuing year.**

## GADEBRIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

### TREASURERS REPORT – 30 May 2021

Year ended 31 March 2021

Like everybody else in the country, we are no exception to a different report than any I have written over many years.

The 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 found us in lockdown when only a few days prior we were hoping to have an exciting start to a new financial year. We had taken on a new Centre Manager on that day as I outlined in my report last year and what an introduction to GCA he had. Sean would have known no more than the rest of us in how we were going to cope. He has proved invaluable in helping all of us, including our hirers, to survive.

Equally, we have had tremendous support from the Government's Job Retention and Support Grant schemes. We have not seen John hardly at all during the year but we have continued to keep him going with the "Furlough Scheme" during the year. Hopefully he will be back in the role of Caretaker/Cleaner very soon.

I also mentioned the Government Grant Schemes from which we have benefitted substantially. Dacorum Borough Council (DBC) have managed the disbursements and I cannot thank them enough for their help and support in managing the allocation of funds to us. They have covered our loss of rental income and ensured we can continue in serving our community and beyond. As I write this report, we are seeing an increasing number of hirers returning and appreciating the work we have done to keep the buildings sanitised, cleansed and indeed, improved.

The Annex has benefitted from us being able to completely refurbish the kitchen. Nothing extravagant but really looking good. Our IT volunteer John Sandford has done much to improve our facilities and his Internet Cafe will hopefully soon be back to helping those who enjoy the tuition and his tea and biscuits!

You will also be aware of the outsourcing of the Preschool. Elizabeth and her team have also survived the past 15 months or so and built up a creche/nursery and preschool in a loving, happy and most friendly environment.

From my own point of view, I was pleased to see all outstanding fees settled. Last year I mentioned I would update in this year's report. In doing so this has not only strengthened our financial standing but, together with the Government Grants, seen us end this year financially sound and equipped to continue our services to our fantastic hirers. Hopefully we will soon be able to provide our party and training sessions in both settings.

I also hope we will be able to restore our reserve policy ensuring we have a reasonable cushion to enable us to survive. Equally we hope and trust we do not have to survive another COVID type disaster. I mentioned last year, it is my intention to see a target of around £25,000. Even that would not have been enough to enable us to have survived this past year but as I have repeatedly stated, the past 14 months have been exceptional.

I can also confirm a NIL return under Reporting Serious Incidents, and under our Legal obligation that there are no other matters which should be brought to the attention of the Charity Commission.

And as always, I extend my grateful thanks to all who have contributed above and beyond the call of duty. I include in those thanks our Chairman of Trustees and fellow active trustees and supporters. Without them we would not be in the comfortable position we enjoy, coming out of a very uncomfortable year. I also acknowledge the contribution from our independent examiner which is, as always, gratefully appreciated and who has confirmed his willingness to continue in that important role. With his support I am pleased to submit the accounts for both years for your approval.

Thank you one and all



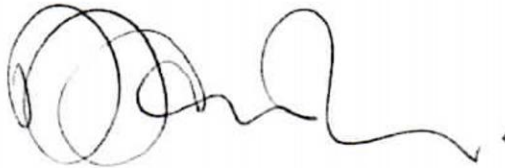
Roger M Taylor FCIB  
Managing Trustee and Treasurer



# GCA and GYC annual audit

Charity no's. 1110831 and 302367 respectively

Prepared by R M Taylor from the books,  
papers and bank statements  
and reconciled with the bank account



Roger M Taylor FCIB

Trustee - Finance & resources

16 June 2021

Examined by me from the computer  
records maintained by the association  
and reconciled with the bank statement



William Wyatt-Lowe

Independent Examiner

16 June 2021

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## Notes

- 1) Full Treasurer's report accompanies these accounts together with a combined set of accounts for both settings.

past as it has not earned £10,000 or more per year since coming under the management of GCA

**Roger M Taylor** FCIB Trustee and Treasurer