LLANDAFF 50+ ANNUAL REPORT - July 2018-June 2019

It's been another busy year for Llandaff 50+ members, volunteers and supporters.

We began our autumn/winter programme explaining why our organisation was formed in 2008 and what the future holds for older people (their health, pensions and lifestyles) and how these will be funded when the number of retired people is greater than that of working people.

Throughout the year we were: inspired by Cllr Sara Pickard; informed on how to recycle and save the planet; taught how to have a happy brain; given questions on the Tonypandy riots; and relieved that we don't have to wear corsets anymore!



We have enjoyed a visit to the Rare Book Collection at Cardiff University, met the curator and explored the new gallery at St Fagans National Museum of History, and experienced the Highlights of Art Tour at the National Museum of Wales.





We also learnt from the students at Cardiff Metropolitan University how to use our mobile phones and tablets.

During summer 2018, Llandaff 50+ consulted with the community about The Pound Centre for Older People. We held our fun surveys at the Rainbow Fair on The Green, the Strawberry Tea in the Bishop's Castle, visited all our traders in the High Street and beyond, as well as regularly speaking with our own members and supporters.

In July, an application to the Welsh Government Community Facilities programme was submitted for funding for The Pound. Work continued with our architect, Carolyn Merrifield of Downs Merrifield, to create a centre for community wellbeing.





In August, in close association with Llandaff Society, we launched our Llandaff 50+ Pound Founders scheme which demonstrates the community commitment to the vision of the new Pound Centre.

Left: our Pound Founder mugs Photo by Alun Salisbury Our Christmas Lunch at Porro was a huge success, filling almost the whole of the restaurant! We decided that we would definitely return next year.

In February we had good news as three funding applications had been successful.



We were to receive £200,000 from Welsh Government towards the Activity Centre, Heritage Room and accessible toilet, a £5,000 development grant from The National Lottery Community Fund to make the building ecologically and financially sustainable, and £3,000 from the Cardiff YMCA (1911) Trust to work with young people in the proposed archaeological dig in The Pound. A community event was held to celebrate these successful bids where an additional £10,000 grant was given by a local

charitable trust.

Above left: Yvonne Apsitis, Chair, Llandaff 50+ receiving the cheque from Roger Coombs, Chair of Cardiff YMCA (1910) Trust; also our Patrons: Baroness Finlay of Llandaff and Matthew Williams, and Cllr Sean Driscoll. Above right: Vanessa Cunningham cuts the celebration cake

March was a busy month for the committee as they were researching all things eco: solar slates, sedum roofs, heat exchangers, rainwater harvesting tanks and SUDS! A safe and easy-to-use security system was devised by Sonic Alarms, as security will be an important feature at The Pound.

A very clever laser scan of the building and courtyard was turned into a 3-D walkthrough of The Pound, and suddenly all the plans became a reality. The following week, local businessman Bob Matthews and his team from Robert Matthews Construction dug test holes to check the foundations of the old toilet (apparently, they were 'really good'). Two days later, Dr Tim Young arrived to check the archaeology in the holes, and found lots of clinker, and some signs of medieval! Afterwards, Lillias French and Roger Martin diligently sifted through the soil to check for finds. They discovered more clinker, masonry and pots. And even a coin – a 5p piece.



From left:

The team from RMC; Dr Tim Young; Lillias French; Roger Martin



Meetings continued with our architect, Carolyn, and Quantity Surveyor, Alun Owen, to work out costings and funding for the project. Then more meetings with Cardiff Council and our councillors, Pip Hill-John and Sean Driscoll. We met with Owen Callender of Severn Wye Agency *(third right, with Diana Langmaid, Yvonne Apsitis and Carolyn Merrifield)*, to learn about eco-friendly initiatives and how they were now being taught in schools. And Rebecca Sheahan from East Ecology discovered a bat!



We ended our summer programme with a talk by 50+ member and Pound Founder, Paul Johnson, on Sir Alfred East's pioneering tour of Japan, and looked forward to an exciting year of innovation in Llandaff 50+

Concluding this Annual Report, we would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard during an extremely busy year. We are embarking on a unique project to help future generations older people and setting a model that, we hope, will be copied throughout Wales. We would also like to congratulate all our supporters for their vision and hard work to make this possible. **Yvonne Apsitis**, Chair, and the committee of Llandaff 50+

		LLANDAFF 50+ ACCOUNTS FOR 2018/19			
	2018/19			2017/18	
£	£	Receipts	£	£	
2566.00		Subscriptions	3521.00		
		Trips	630.00		
605.00		Xmas Lunch	946.00		
		Age Cymru Gwanwyn storytelling	370.00		
		Medieval May Fayre	514.50		
57.00		Fundraising raffle			
70.00		Other			
	3298.00	Total Receipts in General Fund		5981.50	
		Payments - General			
600.00		Speaker fees	852.80		
1440.00		Room hire	2335.00		
84.00		Insurance	166.50		
		Events	38.84		
193.74		Printing, stationery, audit etc	245.19		
115.45		Misc. Travel expenses, AGM, hosp.			
	2433.19			3638.33	
		<u>Purchases</u>			
		Trips	652.95		
603.79		Xmas lunch	902.01		
		Age Cymru Gwanwyn storytelling	353.98		
		Medieval May Fayre	333.96		
		Trolley for laptop	35.00		
		Sound speaker system	179.99		
308.53		IT and website	145.96		
		Collection boxes	19.47		
-	912.32		-	2623.32	
-	3345.51	Total Payments in General Fund	-	6261.65	
	-47.51	Deficit of Receipts over Payments in General Fund		-280.15	
		The Pound 50+ Centre Fund			
		Receipts			
14936.00		Grant fundraising			
4310.00		Pound Founders donations			
308.90		Penny box Fundraising	368.73		
		Speaker Donations	105.00		
80.00		Tuesday activities			
	19634.90	-		473.73	
		Payments			
1119.95		The Pound events/expenses	490.97		
3415.01		The Pound capital costs			
634.65		Tuesday activities			
	5169.61	-		490.97	
-	14465.29	Surplus of Receipts over Payments in 50+ Centre Fu	und	-17.24	
-	14417.78	Net Surplus		-297.39	
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LLANDAFF 50+ ACCOUNTS FOR 2018/19

		BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2019		
	2018/19			2017/18
£	£		£	£
		ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
		<u>General Fund</u>		
3238.01		Balance b/f 1/7/2018	3,518.16	
-47.51		Deficit of Receipts over Payments 2018/19	(280.15)	
	3190.50	Balance c/f 30/06/19		3238.01
		The Pound 50+ Centre Fund		
1107.76		Balance b/f 1/7/2018	1125.00	
14465.29		Surplus of Receipts over Payments 2018/19	-17.24	
	15573.05	Balance c/f 30/06/19		1107.76
	18763.55		-	4345.77
		Represented by:		
		CURRENT ASSETS		
18703.55		Bank Current a/c	4285.77	
60.00		Petty Cash a/c	60.00	
	18763.55			4345.77
	18763.55		-	4345.77

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S CERTIFICATE

I have independently examined the Accounts of the Llandaff 50+ Group for the period ended 30 June 2019. I have obtained information and explanations considered necessary for this examination to enable the accounts to be finalised, including Receipts & Payments Accounts and a Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2019. The closing bank balance as at 30 June 2019 has been verified.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my intention which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records have not been met or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Graham Hosgood

Graham Hosgood CPFA (Ret) 24 September 2019