

DAMHEAD AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL TREASURER'S

REPORT FOR 2017-18

Helen McKay, 2nd April 2018

ACCOUNTS

Starting balance: £2454.77

The starting balance for 16-17 was £2454.77

Income (estimated): £63.36

The bank statement for the last quarter of the year has not been received yet so the interest on our account is estimated. Any difference in the final accounts will be negligible.

During the last financial year the income lodged was just £63.36 but we must remember that Midlothian Council granted £700 at the end of March 2017, which is shown in the previous year's accounts, to cover for 2017-18. The only major lodgement was second reimbursement of £62.5 towards the cost of the notice board. This brings the total reimbursement to £812.50 compared to a cost of £984. Total bank interest for the year is estimated to be under £1 (86p).

Expenditure: £1354.90

The major expenditure (£1000) was to John MacCallum for planning advice. The other significant item was £213 for the bus stop.

The other expenditure related to well established community events such as the summer gathering, spring festival and the litter pick. All expenditure has receipts.

Balance at year end: £1226.59

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Our application for 18-19 funding to the Small Grant Award Fund - DDCC was successful. DDCC was awarded £680 of which £300 is for core funding and £380 is for building community cohesion and improving resilience.

Core funding covers the following running costs:

- a. Web site costs. The web site covers items of interest, minutes of meetings and notices of future meetings
- b. Postage for hard copies where residents do not have email
- c. Printer cartridges
- d. Paper for hard copy newsletters and updated maps of house names

build community cohesion by:

- a. implementing the actions of the Neighbourhood Action Plan
- b. holding a 'Big Lunch' and pre-Christmas gathering
- c. organising meetings of residents with particular concerns over planning applications and development plans
- d. holding 6-8 meetings to discuss items of local relevance
- e. improving residents' safety by discussion with planning, transport, police and roads authorities
- f. updating and circulating our community map showing house numbers and name: to help emergency vehicles and delivery vans to find the correct house quickly

- g. helping to maintain the cleanliness of the area by holding 2-3 litter picks each year and report fly tipping as necessary
- h. maintaining foot paths and rights of way
- i. improve resilience by identifying key issues, and circulating contact details of both appropriate official services and local people willing and able to help.

The 17-18 monitoring statement required by Midlothian Council has still to be submitted

Helen McKay, Treasurer. 2nd April 2018