

WGVRA & Peace Centre Charity - Chairman's Report 2021

Organisation

The AGM on Thurs 22nd April will cover two organisations as follows:

The WGVRA is the Residents Association which arranges events at the Peace Centre Hall (and holds the bar licence).

The Peace Centre Charity owns the land and buildings.

The AGM's of both organisations will be held at the same time and will follow on from the Road Fund AGM.

Financials

For the year ending 28 Feb 2021 the hall remains on a sound financial footing due to the reserves built up over the past few years and the grant from TDC (detailed below). Income from events and hire activity was substantially down as there was very limited opportunity to use the hall due to Covid restrictions. The Peace Centre Charity retains reserves of £25,460 at Feb 2021. Our Treasurer Chris Buckley will cover the financials in more detail at the AGM.

Coronavirus impact

No events have been held at the hall since Mar 2020 and there have been a limited number of hall hires when the Covid rules have allowed. This has impacted significantly on hall income. The Committee expects the rest of the year to continue to be subdued but we still hope to be able to hold an event towards the end of this year. We have completed our Coronavirus Risk Assessment and the hall is available to hire when government guidelines allow.

Grant from Tandridge District Council

My thanks go to our Treasurer Chris Buckley who was able to secure two Coronavirus Retail Hospitality and Leisure Grants from Tandridge Council for £14,000 in total. This money will help to replace lost income, until usage increases, and fund some further improvement projects at the hall.

Subscriptions

The subscriptions we receive from households help to pay for regular maintenance to keep the hall looking neat and tidy. Your subscription also allows you to vote at the WGVRA AGM. Subscriptions are £30 per household, discounted to £15 for single residents and were due on 01 March 2021. Please support us if you can. The bank account details are: WOLDINGHAM GARDEN VILLAGE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION / Sort Code: 30-91-72 / Account Number: 27389860

Thank you's

The committees of both the WGVRA and Peace Centre Charity held 4 meetings via zoom since the last AGM in July 2020 (delayed due to Covid impact). I would like to thank the committees of both the WGVRA and Peace Centre Charity for their time and input over the past year, it's very much appreciated. I'd also like to thank everyone in our community who has helped with maintenance of the hall, your help makes a difference. Thank you.

Sarah Guild

Chairman of the Woldingham Garden Village Residents Association & The
Garden Village (Woldingham) Peace Centre Charity