

Patcham Memorial Hall Charity no 213464
Treasurer's Annual Report for Accounts year ending 31st December 2017

I present Patcham Memorial Hall's 2017 draft annual accounts in the Charities' Commission's approved format for cash based accounting charities for the meeting's consideration and approval.

The draft 2017 accounts are being inspected because PMH Restricted and Unrestricted Funds has exceeded the Charity Commission's self reporting £25,000 income limit. I will be happy to take questions at any time.

INCOME

The meeting will note that the total income year is about £12,700 more than 2016. This is due to a £9,500 grant from Aviva and £3,500 from the Co-op Community fund received in 2017. The increase also includes £2,700 more other hall rental income, which is offset by reduced rental income from Commercial Hirers and Social Dance.

Cash donations reduced to £700:- U3A, the largest, continued to support the Hall by collect a meeting levy, for which we are very grateful.

EXPENSES

Total expenses were almost £6,000 less than 2016, reflecting less capital expenditure in 2017. This year PMH spent almost £11,000 on the refurbishment of the toilet block. Last year £17,000 was spent the roof, a new water main and replacing a heater. Over the past three years almost £34,000 has been disbursed from income, grants and reserves to complete the Hall repairs and enhancements.

Partial discretionary rate relief by Brighton & Hove City Council reduces annual expenditure by about £1,400. But Central Government cutbacks mean we must pay 5% rates. Again we appealed the council's 2017 decision to charge the hall 5% business rates because are sure that the Hall provides £1,000s in community benefit to the city which justified full business rates relief.

As our income is more than £25,000 the Charity Commission requires the independent Inspection of Patcham Memorial Hall accounts, The Inspector is checking the draft accounts income and expenditure.

Accordingly I propose, with the meeting's approval, the draft accounts' adoption.

FUNDING

In 2017 the Aviva Community Fund awarded PMH £9,500 to refurbish the toilet block with an easy access toilet, baby change and general improvements. The toilet block work was completed with funds from Co-op Community Fund, which adopted us as a community cause in 2017.

Hugh Woodhouse
Honorary Treasurer
14th June 2018