

Treasurer's Report – for year ending 31st July 2021

The accounts for the year ending 31 July 2021 have been submitted to our auditor, Ian Smithson, and have been approved. A summary statement of our position is included with this report.

The past year has been a difficult one for all of us with the impact of COVID-19, which has prevented us from meeting and singing for so long. Whilst this has been a straightforward first year of accounting for me, I am grateful for the input from and support of Joy Trotter and Elizabeth Harbord.

At the end of this year our funds are a little more depleted (now standing at £9690) as we have incurred some fixed costs while not actually having any significant income, although I am pleased to report that we are continuing to receive some money via Easy Fundraising, so thank you to those who support in this way. Back in March when it was clear that we would not be able to meet for some further time, the committee agreed that we should provide a furlough payment to both Peter and Caroline.

Our banking charges have also increased in the last year and we are currently looking at alternatives with a view to saving some money in that area.

As a cost saving exercise the next two concerts will both be accompanied on the organ, rather than looking to work with an orchestra although we hope we shall be able to do so again soon.

As the email you have all received, notes, we have agreed a special arrangement for subscriptions just for this year to encourage everyone to return and to encourage new members. September is free then fees for the full year payable on 9th October will be £80 (£45 for each half if paid in instalments). Please pay by BACs where possible – details can be provided on request.