FRIENDS OF WATERLOW PARK

TREASURER'S FINANCE REPORT AND STATEMENT FOR PERIOD 1 MAY 2021 – 30 APRIL 2022

Opening balance at 1 May 2021 Total Opening Balance [Barclays account]	£ 16,611.54
Income Membership subs and miscellaneous donations Plant and bulb Sales Donations and sponsorship Grant income from Camden Misc Income (corporate volunteer groups, reimbursements etc) Total Income	£ 1,424.26 4,101.06 920.00 800.00 548.34 7,793.66
Expenditure Summer concert fees and costs Raised bed project Planting costs Bulb and plant sale costs Office admin and software Public Liability Insurance AGM and meeting costs Events Misc costs (Xmas box for park staff, equipment, PR etc) Donation Total Expenditure	£ 3,753.69 1,207.47 1,012.66 1,876.72 760.40 256.72 368.60 269.26 657.31 125.00 10,287.83
Closing balance at 30 April 2022 Barclays account	£ 14,867.14
Cheques not yet recorded by bank	- 749.77
Total carried forward	14,117.37

Difference between Income and Expenditure	-2494.17
Difference between Opening and Closing Balances	-2494.17

TREASURER'S NOTES TO ACCOMPANY ACCOUNTS PERIOD 1 MAY 2021 TO 30 APRIL 2021

As detailed in the Chair's report of the past year, this was a time of increased activity by the Friends after the limitations imposed through the pandemic and this is reflected in the accounts. The horticulture experts on the committee and volunteers continued their sterling efforts to support work in the park through bulb and plant sales contributing more than $\pounds4000$ to the overall income of $\pounds7794$.

This is supported by members' subscriptions which increased by 16% and included many donations in excess of the standard membership fee. In addition, there were larger donations and grants for specific projects including Camden for the summer concerts, from two members towards the raised bed project and from organisations filming in the Park. The Friends are grateful to all who have donated funds and to those who work hard to raise money to enable us to carry out work to enhance the Park and visitors' experience in so many ways.

The largest item of expenditure (£3754) was on the ambitious series of Sunday afternoon concerts held during the summer of 2021. These brought enjoyment to a large number of people who gathered to listen, or who stumbled across them while visiting the Park. These events also provided valued performance opportunities for a wide variety of musicians who had been deprived of work during the various lockdowns.

A similar amount of funds (£4097) were directed towards horticultural work in the Park including planting in different areas, the raised bed project beside Lauderdale House and providing the environment needed to raise plants both for sale and for use in the Park.

The funds going forward to 2022-23 are a healthy £14,117 which will underpin work in hand or already concluded such as the repairs and cleaning of statuary, the summer concerts and tree labelling, as well as the biodiversity survey and contributions to planting around the park.

Marcia Beer Treasurer June 2022