

Tollerton War Memorial Institute
Treasurers report for the financial year 1st January to 31st December 2022

This report is taken from the spreadsheet generated from the movement of monies handled through the HSBC bank account during the period 1st January to December 31st 2022.

Financially, the year started well with an excellent turnout and good profits from the first event, a Sunday Brunch, followed by a steady increase in hall hire by exercise classes such as "Field Fit" with Susan Edwards. Private hire, although not back up to pre-covid levels continued to improve through the year; and both Zumba and Bowls resumed as normal. For a second year the annual Hoedown barely broke even thus cementing the committee's opinion that there should be a break from this event in 2023. The celebration of the centenary of the War Memorial hall took place on Remembrance Sunday and was marked by a poppy cascade across the front of the building and a special afternoon tea at a set price of £5 per plate. As hall events go it was extremely hard work for the team, but proved popular and resulted in a reasonable profit of £315.

Donations made to the hall at the Christmas on the Green event were down on 2021 by 23% and the total of £154 was also split between the Hall and the Playing fields Association. Despite this, as this event is a chance to say thank you to the village for its support there are no plans to cancel going forward.

Unfortunately, expenditure once again exceeded income although this was far less than the previous year at only £440.83 compared to £1860.51. This is explained in part by a shortfall in the HDC grant for the external notice board as well as the two £100 payments made as charitable donations in the spring. The cost of paving the path at the side of the hall to make the garden more accessible was an additional un-budgeted expense. Utility charges started to climb in the autumn and new contracts were negotiated for spring 2023 - these, although better than being on standard tariffs, will still see an increase overall cost for gas and electric of £1000 per year.

Summary

An improving financial year overall with good attendances at events maintaining comfortable funds. The Hall is in a healthy position going into 2023 and, with six events planned for the year, should continue as such with a more profitable future envisaged.

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