

Sustainable Thornbury AGM 2013

Treasurer's Report

Overall situation at 30th April

The ST financial year runs from 1st May to 30th April. From May 2012 to April 2013 our funds dropped by 20% from £2139 to £1683.

Details of the accounts

In the "**Income**" part of the Statement of Accounts, I have shown only income from deliberate fundraising, such as grants and memberships. The prime source this year was a grant of £450 from South Glos council contributing to the cost of specialist advice to back up our energy survey of The Chantry.

In the "**Expenditure**" part, I have shown both the outgoings and the income from the sustainability activities we have undertaken, to highlight their profitability.

- The members voted to donate £50 to the Transport for Bristol campaign as this covers the rural services from Bristol.
- The Grow-your-own-food event broke even.
- The members authorised purchase of two temperature loggers. These are currently being used at The Chantry to support the energy survey, but will also be available for members' use.
- The EcoFair spans two ST financial years. A breakdown of the projected total costs was presented in last year's Treasurer's report; these proved to be slightly pessimistic and the final loss (taking into account the grant for printing) was £137.

As well as the expenditure on activities in support of the ST's aims, there is an administrative cost for running ST (£373) – primarily room hire for our business meetings. This figure is similar to last year's.

Projection

Of the £1683 we have, the S. Glos grant of £450 is earmarked for the Chantry energy survey; this leaves us with £1233 for general use. Currently, grants for general administration of voluntary groups are difficult to get, so these costs will need to be borne by our funds. If individual projects and activities are largely self-funding or grant covered then, even without deliberate fundraising, the current funds will last about 3 years. I consider this to be a satisfactory situation.

Examination

The Statement of Accounts has been examined by Brian Jordan.

Bob Dale
Treasurer 10/5/2013