Friends of Selsdon Wood AGM: 27th March 2023

Treasurer's Report: Financial Year 1.1.22 to 31.12.22

Friends of Selsdon Wood (FSW) ended 2022 with a credit balance of £6,284.46 (2021 £5,358.86).

# **INCOME**

The bulk of the income in 2022 arises from Membership Fees & Donations. Further income is raised through the production of a Calendar and the annual Open Day Event. For further details, see End of Year Accounts and information below.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Members/Households: 127 members that had either joined or renewed membership during 2022

**Chair status:** 11 members/households - This is a convenient classification for generous members, who make donations from time to time. The income is listed as donations,

**Honorary members:** 18 members/households - who have or are giving service to or are useful contacts, for FSW. They never pay subs but some may donate. **Note:** it was decided that FSW will not offer Life membership.

## 2023 CALENDARS (Led by Heather Govier)

For the eleventh year FSW has produced a Calendar. The cost of production was £232 - 71 Calendars were ordered in July 2022. This cost was covered by a donation to FSW. The Calendars were taken by local people for a donation of £5 and thus generated additional income to FSW of £355 (note the income statement shows £520 for calendars as some monies were for the 2022 calendar).

### **OPEN DAY** (Led by Linda Morris0

This event, was held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021. The FSW Calendar was promoted on the day.

Calendars: 27 visitors gave a £5 donation for one of these beautiful calendars showing photographs

taken during the previous year(s) in Selsdon Wood.

**Membership:** 11 new/existing members took the opportunity to join/renew their membership of FSW

and/or make a donation.

Tombola &

White Elephant: £205.55 was raised less £46.18 relating to purchase of prizes giving a net income of

£159.37

**Stall Holders:** £75 was raised through the generous donations from Stall Holders

Photo Competition: There was no Photo Competition in 2022 due to a lack of entries.

Gift Aid: FSW is eligible for a grant from HM Revenue & Customs on all donations from individuals

who have signed a Gift Aid form. Gift Aid has been claimed for calendar years 2019, 2020 and 2021 and an amount of £1,134.22 the claim for 2022 will be submitted during

the next few months. FSW continues to encourage members to sign Gift Aid forms.

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## **EXPENDITURE**

The upkeep of the woods by FSW continues to impact on expenditure. £686 was spent on tools and equipment, such as saws, fence spikes, oil etc. for workdays ,and equipment associated with organized walks e.g. a bat detector and battery charger, first aid supplies, maps and other handouts.

Other notable expenditure related to the Public Liability and Tools Insurance cover (£279.75). We hope that Croydon Council will continue to reimburse this amount as in previous years via the Conservation Grant.

# **OVERVIEW OF ACCOUNTS**

 Opening Balance Jan 2022
 £5,358.86

 Total income Jan-Dec 2022
 £4,718.07

 Total expenditure Jan-Dec 2022
 £3,792.47

 Bank Balance 31st Dec 2022
 £6,284.46

### **PLANS FOR 2023**

FSW needs to maintain sufficient funds to cover essentials such as insurance cover, health and safety supplies, etc. While being mindful of this, FSW's Committee is drawing up a realistic plan to ensure the available funds are used in Selsdon Wood to the benefit of its flora and fauna, and to enhance the enjoyment of the many people who support and visit it.

FSW is grateful once again to Alan Williams for scrutinising the annual accounts on which this report is based.

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