

# Sustainable Cottenham

Charitable Incorporated Organisation Charity Number 1188763

Treasurer's report for Annual General Meeting 22 March 2023

For period 1 January 2022 - 31 December 2022

This is the second year that Sustainable Cottenham has operated as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

During the course of 2022 our activities continued to recover after COVID. However, unfortunately the Sunday Socials events organised by Cottenham Connected were unable to continue due to both the organisers being unavailable (for personal and health reasons) and no one else being able to take over in the short-medium term. As soon as this became apparent, we returned the remaining grant (£3,395.95) to Cambridgeshire Communities Foundation. We will continue to hold the remaining funds of £445.37 in a reserved fund in the hope that the project may be rekindled in the future.

Fortunately, our other main grant-funded activities, under the Eco Eats umbrella, gathered momentum over 2022, cumulating in a sizeable presence at the Fen Edge Festival in June 2022. An important part of this project was the production of a book of climate-friendly recipes recommended by Cottenham residents. Five hundred copies were printed with a retail price of £2.50.

Our help to FECA, the festival organisers, in running the returnable cup scheme and manage the carbon off-setting was recognised with a grant of £250.

The charity's annual running costs are approximately £400 and we need to look for income sources to cover these costs and replenish funds.

*Accounts summary for Sustainable Cottenham CIO 1/01/2022 – 31/12/2022. (See full accounts for more details).*

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted: Cottenham Connected	Restricted: Eco Eats	Total funds	Last year
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>					
Grants	394.00	-3,395.95	-	-3,001.95	8,612.00
Sales	-	-	222.28	222.28	
Donations	-	-	-	-	119.83
Sub-total	394.00	-3395.95	222.28	-2,779.67	8,731.83
<b>Payments</b>					
Running costs	394.80	-	1,271.50	1,666.30	1,217.16
Capital items	-	-	-	-	4,464.31
Sub-total	394.80	-	1,271.50	1,666.30	5,681.47
<b>Net cash funds for year</b>					3,050.36
Cash funds from last year	667.76	3,841.32	2,396.78	6,905.86	3,855.50
<b>Cash funds at year end</b>	666.96	445.37	1,347.56	2,459.89	6,905.86

### *Receipts*

The sources of income have been grant-funding from Fen Edge Community Association (£250) and Cottenham Parish Council (£144) plus sales from the recipe book (£222.28).

### *Payments*

The main out-goings were in connection with activities put on for the Eco Eats project: recipe book printing (£711), design (£250), stand hire (£160.50) and hall hire (£120). There were also the costs associated with running the charity: insurance (£157 – lower this year we no longer needed cover for risks associated with interaction with vulnerable adults and children), hall hire for litter picks (£140) and website hosting (£82.80).

### *Net funds*

There was a balance of £2,459.89 in net funds at year-end on 31 December 2022. Of this, £445.37 was allocated to Cottenham Connected Sunday Socials and £1,347.56 allocated to Eco Eats. The intention is for the Eco Eats restricted funds to be spent on events in 2023. The £666.96 of unallocated funds is available for the general running of the charity (insurance, website, litter pick costs etc) and opportunities to replenish these funds will be sought in 2023.

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