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Treasurer's Report 2018

Summary

The Society enjoyed another strong year in 2018 with funds and reserves reaching nearly £39,000 at the year end. However, this figure includes our Emergency Fund of £10,000 and the Barnet Council grant of £4,950 for the Dollis Road fence. As the Chairman has already noted, planning approval for the fence has not yet been granted. The Chairman has also identified a number of projects and activities which can be prudently funded from existing reserves, and others which will require additional grants or awards.

Accounts

The accounts have been set out over three pages which hopefully will make them clearer to read.

The first page shows the total receipts and payments for 2018 and, for comparison, for 2017. In 2017, an award from Tesco of £10,000 enabled improvements to be made to the piggery at Gordon Road, and the Barnet Council grant of £4,950 was also received in 2017. Putting these exceptional receipts to one side, total receipts for 2018 were broadly in line with 2017. The plant sale achieved net takings of over £5,000 and the NGS open day nearly £600; together they represent a slight increase over 2017.

The second page gives a more detailed breakdown of the payments made for the Society's three sites. Here, the payments for both 2018 and 2017 are broadly similar, after taking account of the £10,000 spent on the piggery project in 2017. The major item of expenditure was the Tarmac at Gordon road.

The third page shows the Society's total funds and reserves and concludes with the signatures of the independent examiner and chairman. We are grateful to Jane Healy for continuing to be our independent examiner, a function she has agreed to carry out next year.

Chris Ouseley Treasurer