

Treasurer's Report for Financial Year April 2014 to March 2015

Both creatively and financially, our second year has been a significant improvement on our first.

Looking at our *Income and Expenditure* report for the year:

Our income – from membership subscriptions, contributions from our productions: *Playing with Sugar*, *Neighbourhood Watch*, *Access All Eras* and the very successful *Cinderella*, plus donations and grants – amounted to £6,557.57 during the year.

All our shows this year made a positive contribution, the total being £1939.93. Our pantomime, *Cinderella*, was by far our most successful show and made a contribution in excess of £1200.

Our grants this year were significant and totalled £1,450. Streatham Action kindly gave us a grant of £750: £500 towards *Playing with Sugar*, which we performed free of charge to celebrate the re-opening of the Library in March 2014, and £250 to put on an exhibition based around the Streatham residents' collected reminiscences. We have not yet put on the exhibition, but we now have the go-ahead from Streatham Library, and we hope to do so later this year or early next. The Friends of Streatham Library also kindly gave us £400 towards *Playing with Sugar* and the Streatham Society generously gave us £300 towards a banner flag and other equipment to allow us to set out our stall at local events.

Our expenditure during the year was incurred to allow us to achieve the objectives set out in our Constitution. The most significant expenditure was incurred in putting on our shows; in particular set materials, props, costumes and in the case of *Cinderella*, venue hire of £828, paid to Dunraven School for the hire of their hall and theatre facilities. However, some of the set materials are assets such as flats, which can be used for future shows. Other expenses included insurance, affiliation to NODA (the National Operatic and Dramatic Association), and attendance at events such as Kite Day on Streatham Common and the Lambeth Country Show. Our expenditure on events includes a gazebo, a banner flag and display boards, which again are assets that are reused at each event. Total costs were £4,942.06, leaving us with a healthy surplus of £1615.51 in the bank at year-end.

Our passthru arrangement with the Friends of Streatham Library came to an end in May 2014, not long after the library re-opening, leaving a surplus of £969.83, which we would very much like to return to them. However, our efforts to do so have not yet been successful, as FoSL seems to have pretty much disbanded.

Our Balance Sheet, shows a balance of £3347.93 which includes the £969.83 which belongs to FoSL and £250 for the exhibition. This leaves us with a usable balance of £2128.10 as at the beginning of April 2015.

We have no liabilities this year, which means that we are in a very healthy financial position. I have very much enjoyed being your treasurer this year, and would be very happy to carry on holding the purse strings next year.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "E. Burton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small dot above the 'E'.

Liz Burton, 18/6/15