



2016-2017 Annual Report

Funding Summary

Ongoing Grant from EHDC of **£125** (last year £250), Outgoings **£240** (last year £420), **zero** donations (last year £12). Balance: **£386.77**

Wider Alton Community

We remained active within ADRA with attendance at all meetings.

We continue to share our expertise especially when helping to set up new Residents' Associations, this year assisting with Greenfields and Barleyfields RAs.

Sub Committees

In terms of planning, this year was more liaison as we have a seat at the Cadnam's and Miller Homes regular meetings. These open channels are vital and particularly constructive with the Cadnam's development, they have been fast to respond and to explain or rectify things. Miller Homes meetings are in slight disarray due to a change of personnel. Going forward it is vital to work with the developers to give and receive information to and from residents.

Bob Curtis' diligence and perseverance in understanding and chasing the relevant parties for the Flooding Sub Committee should be acknowledged and we thank him for his continued work. We await to hear news on the "working group" for the area with the relevant authorities.

The work of George Longland in documenting the hazards along Anstey Lane is also greatly appreciated. Unfortunately this has fallen on deaf ears so far but we remain hopeful that it may influence HCC Highways to speed up the Anstey Lane/Anstey Road junction works.

Community Clean-up day

This year we were blessed with fair weather and collected litter in more areas of our town than previously, with good coverage in the press thanks to George's photos.

Guest Presentations

We heard from Alton Men's Shed and learned of the philosophy and activities of this movement who have found a home in Alton. Energy Alton also spoke about their free services such as; home energy surveys, thermal imaging surveys and advice on energy issues.

Looking forward

When we look back, not just this year but the last 3, there has been a lot of expertise created out of necessity. This is frequently acknowledged across the town. We should remain vigilant to the developers' works and be ready to welcome our new neighbours later in the year. We can also put a lot of our collective knowledge, opinion and memories towards the brewery site develop and especially the new Community facility that remains undefined at this time. We are proud of our achievements so far, and welcome new blood for a continued drive to reach more residents to help them have a voice, and to benefit from more experts in our midst.