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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY AND ITS TRUSTEES
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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2021

Constitution and Election of Trustees

The Kew Society is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with registration number 1173016. The Constitution of the Society is published in the policy documents file on The Kew Society web page (<http://www.kewsociety.org>).

The Society's Executive Committee, comprising the Trustees and co-opted members, meets eleven times a year. None of the Trustees, nor any persons connected with them, has received any remuneration during the year. The Officers of the Society, consisting of the Chair, Vice Chair, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary are elected annually while other Trustees hold office for a period of three years. Trustees can be re-elected for a further term, subject to a maximum of six years and can then only be re-elected after standing down from the Executive Committee for one year.

The Objectives and Work of the Society

The Kew Society is established for the public benefit and its objectives are to promote high standards of planning and architecture in Kew, to educate the public about the locality, to preserve and enhance the beauty of Kew and its Village and to extend and preserve public amenities in the domain.

We meet our objectives by:

- examining planning applications that are submitted for the Kew area, as well as other applications and government proposals that could affect Kew
- organising events for members that give information about Kew and the surrounding areas
- liaising on behalf of members with local councillors, the local planning authority and other local and national voluntary organisations
- providing a community network to facilitate information gathering and promote understanding
- enabling newcomers to Kew to meet other residents and become part of the Village life, periodically holding events which help to publicise the Society's

presence in the community, or which provide information thought to be of interest to its members. Face to face meetings have not been possible during the COVID -19 pandemic.

Risk Assessments and operational procedures

The Kew Society Executive Committee reviewed its Risk Assessment procedures at the end of 2019. We have Risk Assessments for Kew Society Governance and Financial Management, Operational and Regulatory Matters, Events and Gardening Activities. These have been kept under review during 2020-2021. Due to the continuing emergency of the COVID-19 pandemic during the last year we have maintained deputies for Officers and others with management roles so that cover would be available in the event of anyone falling ill. All members of the Executive Committee have access to our Google Drive Archive of Committee Documents and Reports from 2012 to the present time. The Executive Committee has continued to meet monthly by teleconferencing during the pandemic.

Activities and Achievements of the Kew Society, 1st August 2020 – 31st July 2021

Several sub-committees and teams, each led by a Trustee, have responsibility for considering planning issues, environmental issues, organising events, and for the Society gardening projects in Kew. Each reports to the monthly Executive Committee meeting.

Planning

The Planning Sub-Committee comprises Alice Shackleton [Trustee and Lead], John Ricketts [Trustee], and Roger Mason [Trustee], assisted on occasion by Stephen Speak (Trustee). The Sub-Committee scrutinises and comments on planning applications in Kew and surrounding areas impacting on Kew, attends and presents at public hearings and informs Kew Society members and other residents on planning matters. The Planning Sub-Committee considered a large number of applications during 2020-2021. Some of these are summarised below. Our detailed comments on some of the developments, submitted to Richmond Council or Mayor Khan, can be found on our website, <https://www.kewsociety.org>

Major Developments impacting on Kew

- **The Homebase Site, Manor Rd.** The Mayor of London took over as the planning authority for the original application to build a 385 apartment, car-free, development at this site after its refusal by Richmond Council as it failed to meet affordable housing targets. Subsequent negotiations between the Mayor and the developer increased the amount of affordable housing but increased the height of some buildings up to 11 stories, almost double that allowed by Richmond Council's Local Plan Policy LP2. The Kew Society submitted comments to the Mayor vigorously opposing these revised plans.

John Ricketts, Kew Society Planning Trustee, ably represented us at a Public Hearing in October 2020, but the Mayor approved the scheme. However, given the high level of local comments against it, the scheme was referred to the Secretary of State for Housing. He decided not to call it in, so the Mayor's decision stands. This sits oddly with the Secretary of State's insistence set out in the new London Plan - which came into effect in March 2021 – “ensure that [tall buildings] are only brought forward in appropriate and clearly defined areas, as determined by the boroughs”.

- **Mortlake Brewery redevelopment.** The Kew Society opposed the initial planning application for this huge development in 2018. It included over 800 housing units, retail outlets, a school, and reconfiguration of Chalkers Corner. We focused on opposing the latter which would have had adverse traffic and air pollution impacts for Kew. The Mortlake Brewery Community Group (MBCG) and other local groups submitted comprehensive critiques on other aspects of the development. However, Richmond Council approved those parts of the application relating to housing, retail outlets and the school but, taking account of the potential adverse effects on air quality, refused the developer permission to reconfigure Chalkers Corner. The Mayor of London then “called in” the application and, at his request, the developer increased the provision of affordable housing (only a minimum of 12% initially). However, in doing so they further increased the height and density of this very large development, increasing the number of units by 40%, which would have increased the population of Mortlake by up to 90%. The Kew Society submitted further comments opposing the development. The Mayor finally refused the revised application at a public hearing in July 2021 citing inadequate levels and type of affordable housing and the unacceptable impact of the additional height and massing on historic buildings, riverside views and neighbouring residents.

Brentford Developments.

We monitor developments in Brentford which may have adverse effects on the UNESCO World Heritage status of Kew heritage sites like The Royal Botanic Gardens Kew (RBGK), or on further traffic congestion and air pollution in and around Kew. We have strong links with Brentford groups such as The Brentford Community Council and Brentford Voice and are in frequent contact to discuss our approaches to these developments. Some are listed below.

- **The Chiswick Curve.** Following a Public Inquiry in 2018 in which The Kew Society strongly opposed the developer's proposals to build a 32-storey tower adjacent to Chiswick Roundabout, the Secretary of State refused planning permission, overturning the Planning Inspector's positive recommendation to the Mayor. His decision was confirmed by the High Court following an appeal by the developer. The developer has now revised his proposals to a 21-storey tower block, to be known as Holly House, and carried out a Q&A consultation on this in February 2021. We will examine any planning application when it is submitted. The environmental problems associated with this site and the infrastructure available to support a large-scale housing development here have not materially improved since 2018.

- **Watermans Arts Centre, High Street Brentford.** Despite objections from The Kew Society and others, in 2018 Hounslow Council approved an application to build three blocks of flats, 6-7 stories high, on the site. Subsequently the scheme was called in by the Secretary of State, following objections from Historic England over its adverse visual impact on RBGK across the river which The Kew Society supported. A Virtual Inquiry was held in October 2020. However, the Secretary of State approved the scheme in March 2021. The Arts Centre will move to the site of the former Brentford police station in Half Acre.
- **B&Q site, Chiswick Roundabout (Hudson Square, The Fourth Mile).** The developer has proposed a massive development which includes a technical showcase for the automotive industry (attracting up to 2 million visitors a year), a 219-bed hotel, 3 blocks containing 278 flats retail space and a new public square at the heart of the complex. The Kew Society opposed this development in January 2020 (see Trustees Report, AGM 2020). The GLA issued an interim ('Stage 1') report in March 2020 stating that "whilst the scheme is generally acceptable in principle, the application does not fully comply with the London Plan". In response, the applicant submitted detailed revised plans in February 2021, including a reduction in height of the hotel by 11.65m and of block C by 12.8m. Further documents have been submitted since, but no decision has yet been reached.
- **Tesco and Homebase sites, Syon Lane, Isleworth.** These two sites, either side of the junction of Syon Lane with the Great West Road by the Gillette Tower, may seem an unlikely development for The Kew Society's attention. However, providing 2,000 housing units in tower blocks several of which are between 15-17 storeys high, they will be visible from RBGK, impacting on the historic Arcadian views across the River from the Syon Vista, a landscape created by Capability Brown. The Kew Society submitted objections to the scheme because of this in November 2020. The developer posted revised documents in January 2021 but with no changes in height or massing of the buildings. After consulting with RBG Kew's planning consultant we submitted further objections and photographs in February 2021 confirming that the Views would be materially harmed, contrary to the developer's contention. Hounslow Council approved the planning application in May 2021, acknowledging that there would be harm to heritage assets, including RBGK, but that this was outweighed by the benefits of the scheme. Hounslow referred the application to the Mayor Khan because of its size, and in September he approved it. We must now await the Secretary of State's decision on whether to call the scheme in.

Hounslow Council's decision follows a decision by the Secretary of State for Housing when he approved an Inquiry recommendation for approval of the Citroen site development in Brentford, in September 2020, commenting that although the scheme will cause "moderate harm" to RBGK, this will be outweighed by the benefits provided by extra housing.

- **250 Gunnersbury Avenue (Power Road) Chiswick.** The developer sought permission for a redevelopment of this low-rise industrial site for a mixed use 11-13 storey building for light industrial flexible workspace, a café and 204

co-living units with shared communal space. We believed that this 54m high building may have an adverse effect on views from the RBGK and submitted comments to that effect. Hounslow Council refused the application. Mayor Khan allowed Hounslow's decision to go ahead in October 2020.

- **London Road Brentford.** The two storey Royal Mail Sorting Office on London Road opposite the Half Moon Close entrance to Syon Park will be replaced with buildings up to 23.5m height. The Kew Society recommended that the application be rejected as it stands, principally because it failed to provide a meaningful analysis of the impact on heritage assets such as the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew and the Grade 1 listed Syon Park. Hounslow Council approved the application in May 2021.

Smaller developments impacting on Kew.

We examine all planning applications in the Kew area but comment only on those we feel need support for the community's amenity, or those which are out of keeping with the character of the neighbourhood or a conservation area. Some examples are given below to illustrate the range of problems encountered

- **Kew Pavilion, Kew Green (Kew Cricket Club).** This application was to replace the existing 2-bay non-fenced cricket nets with a 3-bay retractable net system and metal security fencing. Kew Cricket Club, Kew Green Preparatory School and its sister school over the river, Kew House School, would have use of the nets for cricket and other physical education activities. We objected to the proposal on the grounds that a public facility will become a private facility, that its design is harmful to the heritage assets/setting and that it does not accord with policies promoting health and wellbeing for all. It also does not comply with the aims of the Kew Green Management Plan January 2020 – December 2021. The application was withdrawn after the Council announced that it would not support it.
- **32 Haverfield Gardens, TW9 3DD.** The site currently has 22 garages and one house on it. It is a largish site with an accessway to Haverfield Gardens. The application is to demolish the house and 22 garages and construct five three-storey dwellings, with hard and soft landscaping, parking and associated infrastructure. We submitted an objection to the proposal in its present form. In principle The Kew Society supports the residential development of this site, but considers the development as proposed to be on too large a scale and not in keeping with the character of the Kew Green Conservation Area. We recommended that, at the very least, the proposed south-easternmost house be reduced in height to two above-ground storeys.
- **5G Telecom mast by Broome Court, Sandycombe Road.** An application has been made to install a 20-metre-high 5G telecoms mast by the bus stop outside Broome Court, opposite Station Parade. The mast would be about double the height of the building and this structure and associated cabinets would be highly obtrusive. The applicant carried out little meaningful local consultation and the four local schools received only two weeks' notice prior to the application being submitted. The Kew Society objected on the grounds of both appearance and poor siting. By virtue of its height and the module and

antennae at or near the top of the pole it will adversely impact the skyline. There could hardly be a worse site for this apparatus when considering the context: intrusive, incongruous, visible from several vantage points that would harm the character and appearance of the area. We await the Council's decision.

- **77 North Road, TW9 4HQ.** This application is for substantial alterations for a change of use from a doctor's surgery to a Class E (f) nursery. Two previous applications to change the use to a 4-bedroom house were refused on grounds of the loss of medical facilities. With the recent introduction of Use Class E there is no change of use for planning purposes to change from surgery to nursery. We submitted observations saying that The Kew Society is supportive of the site being a day nursery, but we have concerns arising from the proposed scale of the development (physically and numbers of children and staff). The extensive alterations are considered overbearing and too large in the context of the residential area in which it is situated. Despite acoustic fencing, there could be considerable noise from the numbers of children playing outside. No indication is given on how many children will be playing outside at any one time, or whether this will be continuous throughout the nursery day. Traffic generation will be roughly double that of the doctor's surgery and the provision of parking onsite is low and does not meet the Richmond Local Plan's suggested figure. We suggested therefore, that if permission is granted, there be conditions restricting hours of use to weekdays (not weekends or holidays); restrictions on the number of children playing outside at any one time; and that the applicant provides a travel plan stressing walking, cycling and public transport.
- **175 Sandycombe Road TW9 2EN.** This application for a single storey extension and air source heat pump is included here because of the heat pump and its potential for noise, especially relevant in a terrace of small, closely situated houses such as this. In principle heat pumps are highly desirable. However, there is a noise element and, in this application, the estimated decibel level of 53 seems to be taken from the manufacturer's technical sales sheet. What was not provided was any assessment of the impact of noise on the neighbours. This, for instance, was provided in the conditions of approval for the Sandycombe Centre application. We commented on this aspect and suggested that the applicant must provide a proper noise assessment relative to the neighbours as well as to the proposed occupants. The Council refused permission, one of the grounds being the absence of a noise assessment to confirm that the air source heat pump would not cause harm to living conditions of nearby occupants. The proposal was considered to give rise to unacceptable noise impact that would adversely impact on the amenity of nearby occupants. Hence the proposal was contrary to Policy LP8 of the Local Plan (2018) and the Supplementary Planning Document on Development Control for Noise Generating and Noise Sensitive Development.
- **17 Hartington Road, Chiswick.** We objected to two previous applications in 2020 to build four and five new townhouses in the rear garden of 17 Hartington Road, Chiswick. The garden occupies the land between the listed house and the river bank. We opposed this on the grounds that it represented

an overdevelopment of the site to the detriment of the main Grade-II listed building and would have an unacceptable adverse impact on the view from the south bank of this stretch of the Thames. The first application was withdrawn and the second was refused by Hounslow Council. A new application was submitted in July 2021 for two sets of two semi-detached houses, with a central gap between the two pairs, so there would no longer be a continuous terrace across the main width of the garden, as with the previous applications. However, the Kew Society supported other local groups in opposing the new application because the four proposed new riverside houses still represent an intrusive overdevelopment of the site to the detriment of the main house. It would also have an unacceptably adverse impact on the view from the south bank of this stretch of the Thames. The development fails to promote the distinctive qualities of the Grove Park Conservation Area in which it sits. A decision is awaited from Hounslow Council.

Consultations.

We responded to the Consultation on the National Planning Policy Framework amendments and the National Model Design Code.

Environment

The work of the Environment Sub-Committee (Venetia Harper [Trustee and Lead], Stephen Speak [Trustee] and Roger Mason [Trustee]) ranges from taking an active role in those groups focusing on preserving the historic Thames Riverside, interacting with the Council and Network Rail over graffiti issues, to promoting public awareness of our poor air quality and seeking changes to improve it. We also continued to be involved in discussions about the Kew Road Cycle Lane and its ramifications. We also have representatives on the Old Deer Park Working Group Committee (Stephen Speak, Roger Mason) and on Richmond Heathrow Campaign Committee (Roger Mason, Nora Dennehy).

- **Graffiti (Venetia Harper).** Kew has experienced graffiti over a number of years but there has been an explosion in 2020-2021 in terms of its frequency, number of sites affected and the large area of some of the sprayed locations, for example, Chiswick Bridge underpass. Favoured locations are the pedestrian bridges at Kew Gardens Station and between North Rd and Sandycombe Rd, walls of properties beside the west side of the railway line, the Mortlake Rd railway bridge and pedestrian tunnel and the Riverside. There has been discussion about graffiti and our attempts to get it cleared at virtually every one of the Society's Committee meetings. VH has led our anti-graffiti campaign, persisting throughout the year in reporting new graffiti to Richmond Council and in discussing clearing it with them, Network Rail, Transport for London and Ward Councillors. The Council have generally responded positively, especially when graffiti of a pornographic or racist nature is reported. TfL have responded and reacted slowly but have cleaned one bout of graffiti from Kew Bridge. The SW London GLA member helped us to get a response from TfL. Network Rail have received our reports and

complaints affably – and have done nothing to clear or prevent graffiti on their property, or property beside the line! They did agree to supply paint for a work gang organised by The Kew Society to paint out the extensive graffiti on the High Park Road rail bridge. Cllr. Campanale joined the gang, chased delivery of the paint and organised barriers to protect those painting from passing traffic. Terry Causer, a local decorator, organised the group and painted large areas himself. RM has had discussion with the Kew Safer Neighbourhood team at the Police Liaison Committee. They believe that most graffiti in Kew is done by locals and not by vandals from elsewhere.

- **Riverbank Groups** (Venetia Harper). VH continues to attend meetings of the Thames Landscape Strategy Group (TLS) and the West London River Group (WLRG). All meetings have been by teleconferencing during the pandemic. The Kew Society responded to a survey for the first 10 Year Review of the Thames Estuary 2100 Plan last year. Subsequently the Port of London Authority planned repair work on the revetments between Jubilee Gardens and Barnes Railway Bridge but this has not yet started. In conjunction with the Council, the West London River Group raised funds for the elms which have been planted along the towpath in front of the cemetery.

The Kew Society invited Jason Debney(JD), co-ordinator of the Thames Landscape Strategy (TLS), to address the Society in a webinar on The Rewilding of the Arcadian Thames (see Events). Following this VH discussed with JD how Society members could become involved in projects relating to this within the boundaries of Kew and a small sub-committee met to consider JD's suggestions. Likely projects are recruiting citizen scientists for a hydraulic survey of ground water levels around the King's Observatory; introducing traditional willow spilling into the habitat between the towpath and the golf course, replacing the vertical revetements; greening the revetements along the towpath between Ferry Lane and the RBGK Brentford Gate; and possibly, in the future, re-opening a footpath between the towpath and Kew Rd just outside the southern boundary of RBGK. The latter would require the agreement of many agencies and all projects are dependent on TLS funding. The Kew Society was pleased to learn in July 2021 that TLS has received funding of around £550,000 for the Rewilding Arcadia Project, so it is likely that joint projects with our Society will go ahead later this year.

- **Air Quality and Climate Change** (Roger Mason). The Environmental Health Manager (Air Quality) for Richmond Council convened meetings of an Air Quality Monitoring Group in November 2020 and July 2021. This brings together Council Officers, Cllr Ehmann (chair, LBRuT Transport and AQ committee) and representatives of community groups interested in air quality to discuss air quality in the Borough. RM represented The Kew Society at these meetings. Generally, air quality in the Borough improved during the lockdown, reflecting the decreased use of cars. Only 12 sites in the Borough exceeded the legal limit for NO₂ compared with 29 the year before. PM10 levels across the London were only marginally affected by the lockdown. It is thought that much PM10 pollution is blown in by E or NE winds from industrial sites in northern Europe.

- **Royal Parks Movement Strategy Consultation** (Stephen Speak). The Society provided feedback to The Royal Parks (TRP) Movement Strategy trials at Richmond Park. We observed that the trial road closures had successfully reduced vehicular traffic to the north (at the weekends) and east of the park, improving the environment in those areas. However anecdotal comments by residents indicate that the restrictions may have displaced traffic to the western roads. We reiterated our comments to the initial Movement Strategy consultation that the route to Kingston Hospital from either Richmond or Sheen Gate must be accessible for blue light vehicles responding to an emergency. Overall, The Kew Society is cautiously supportive of the trial arrangements but retains some concerns. A negative repercussion of quieter park roads is that training cyclists are regularly exceeding the speed limit and aggressive cycling by some is causing harm to other people's enjoyment of the park (including slower cyclists). We urged TRP to make more use of physical measures to reduce the speed of the fastest cyclists. The impact of COVID-19 has changed how visitors use Richmond Park. Thus, we suggested that until a "new normal" is established TRP should not make irreversible alterations to the network based on the trial and consultation results.
- **Kew Green one-way system** (Roger Mason). The Society continued its dialogue with Richmond Council opposing its plans to introduce a one-way system around Kew Green and to route coaches visiting RBGK around it to drop and pick up their passengers at The Elizabeth Gate, within the World Heritage Site (see Trustees Report, AGM 2020). We proposed that, in particular, school coaches, which form the majority of visiting coaches, should use the large bus stops on Kew Road on either side of the junction with The Avenue to drop and pick up passengers before parking elsewhere. These bus stops are a short walk to the education facilities near the Victoria Gate of RBGK and we believe that rapid drop-off and pick-up could be actively managed with little disruption to either the 65 Bus, or danger to cyclists in the cycle lanes. The bus stops are already used by school buses to pick up and drop off local children attending schools in Hampton. We also made these proposals to Mayor Khan's Commissioner for Walking and Cycling, but to no avail.
- **Traveller incursions of Kew Green** (Roger Mason). Traveller caravans invaded Kew Green over the Spring Bank Holiday weekend and stayed for several days until moved on following a court order against them granted to the Council. The travellers' visit followed shortly after the High Court had discharged an earlier Traveller Injunction which had allowed rapid action to be taken against them by Council officers. A second incursion occurred later in the summer, the travellers again being moved on after the Council initiated rapid legal action. RM discussed these events with Cllr. Lotte Campanale and with the Richmond Council's Parks Manager, especially whether the gaps in the present white rail fencing around the Green could be closed, completely enclosing it. This is still under review, but the Council's current preference is to use legal action rather than barriers to deter unlawful access. Officers report that unauthorised incursions by travellers into parks in other parts of the

Borough have occurred after power tools have been used to cut through barriers. An added complication to erecting more fencing is that Kew Green is Crown Estate and permission would be required for any material alterations following a public consultation on potential changes. The Council has lodged an appeal with the Court of Appeal regarding the recently discharged Traveller Injunction. If successful, this will give them the power to move travellers on within 24 hours with assistance from bailiffs.

- **Step-Free Access at Kew Gardens Station** (Roger Mason, Stephen Speak, Nora Dennehy). The Deputy Director for Traffic and Engineering at Richmond Council, Mr Nick O'Donnell, has assured The Kew Society that The Council remains fully supportive of the proposal to build a bridge accessed by lifts between the platforms at Kew Gardens Station. This follows the publication of the Feasibility Study commissioned by The Kew Society last year (see Trustees Report, AGM 2020). He believes that the preferred option selected by The Society's panel of Trustees and transport professionals from eight different schemes offered in the Study remains the correctly identified one. Kew Ward Councillors are also supportive. However, funding this project is very challenging in the post-pandemic world, with the finances of major stakeholders such as TfL and Network Rail in a precarious state. The Kew Society remains hopeful that the publication of The National Disability Strategy in June 2021 may be accompanied by Government approving further funding for schemes such as "Access for All" which previously financed the building of similar bridges in other stations across the country.
- **E-Scooters and E-Bikes (Stephen Speak)**. In April the Society responded to the Council's consultation regarding the Borough's participation in TfL's trial of E-Scooters and E-Bikes. The Council planned to convert vehicle parking bays into bike and scooter parking at four locations in our area of interest. We objected to both of the proposed locations on West Kew Green, principally because the Council had also announced it wanted to convert this road into one-way operation. To comply with the law a hirer would be required to scoot or cycle all the way around the Green (paying for each minute of their hire) and be forced to exit onto the South Circular at the acutely dangerous junction just south of Kew Bridge. Adding to the risks was the Council's requirement that coaches for RBG Kew must now use Elizabeth Gate to drop off and pick up their passengers. We commented that riders will likely make a personal safety call and avoid these problems by travelling the shorter distance going the wrong way on the road and/or use the pavements. We commented that re-designating car parking spaces on Station Approach to parking for E-Scooters and E-Bikes could affect trade at the local shops given that there is often quite high pressure for spaces.

In general comments, we noted the risks for the visually impaired and less mobile people due to an E-Scooter's silent approach, their higher potential for causing injury to riders and pedestrians, and the increasing use of E-Scooters by snatch and grab thieves. Apart from moving one of the spaces on Kew Green due to its conflict with plans for a taxi rank, the Council subsequently implemented the proposals.

- **The Old Deer Park Working Group** (Stephen Speak, Roger Mason for The Kew Society, ODPWG chair Peter Willan) is comprised of representatives from The Richmond Society, The Kew Society, Friends of Richmond Green, Friends of Old Deer Park and the St Margaret's Estate Residents Association. It continues its work with Richmond Council Officers to preserve and enhance the Old Deer Park. It has opposed several proposals during the last year such as an application to install a 24 metre high telecom mast near the SW corner of the Old Deer Park Car Park and an application for Advertising Consent to erect a large LED matrix sign board on the Kew Road frontage of the Old Deer Park Sports Ground. Both applications were subsequently refused by Richmond Council. The Group also responded to the promoter of the Richmond Skatepark Association expressing views about the unsuitability of sites they proposed for a concrete skateboarding facility in the Old Deer Park.
- **Richmond Heathrow Campaign** (Roger Mason, Nora Dennehy for The Kew Society, RHC chair Peter Willan). The RHC committee comprises representatives from The Richmond Society, The Kew Society and Friends of Richmond Green. It continued its activities throughout the lockdown, responding to a number of important consultations. These included a response to the Department for Transport's consultation on Night Flight Restrictions; a response to a Heathrow Consultation on Slightly Steeper Approaches and a response to HM Treasury's consultation on Aviation Tax Reform. These and other activities of the RHC are more fully reported on its web page <https://www.richmondheathrowcampaign.org>

The Kew Society Gardening Projects

- **Kew Society gardens** (Richard Jaggard, Head Gardener). The gardens maintained by Kew Society volunteers are a very public part of the Society's activities. They beautify our environment but also advertise the Society to passers-by who frequently admire them and stop to have a chat to our gardeners. Starting with an ambitious idea several years ago by former Society chair, Caroline Brock, to turn the Kew Gardens Station platform gardens into beautiful spaces, we now also maintain gardens at the North Road junction with High Park Avenue; the triangular and rectangular beds in Kew Village; the border and wild flower garden around the Kew Green War Memorial, the rejuvenated St Anne's Churchyard, and plantings on Kew Plaza. Maintaining all these gardens requires an ever-expanding band of committed and enthusiastic gardeners and organisation. Our Head Gardener managed this with flair over the last year, but has retired from the post recently since his commitments will require him to spend more time in Germany in the coming years. We are indebted to him for his leadership and the splendid results he has achieved along with the team of volunteers. We are pleased to announce the appointment of a new Head Gardener, Kew Society member, Anna Anderson. Anna is already one of the Society's volunteer gardeners and maintains her own garden at home to the high standard required for opening it to the public through the National Open Garden Scheme.

- **The Station Platform Gardens.** We maintain these in partnership with the railway garden charity, Energy Gardens, and are indebted to them for financial and gardening support. Our gardeners had a nice surprise at the end of last year when Energy Gardens provided them with bottles of beer made from hops grown at one of their other station gardens to thank them for their effort! Hops were subsequently included in our own plantings at Kew Gardens Station and we are looking forward to contributing to the 2021 brew! The borders at the station have been well-maintained throughout the year, despite COVID-19 restrictions dictating that volunteers had to work in isolation rather than together early in the year. Periods of drought in 2020 damaged some plants which had to be replaced. Plantings under the pedestrian bridge beside Kew Plaza, including camellias, have transformed a previously barren area. We are grateful to Hugo Tugman at his “Huge Creative Workshop” for use of his water in dry spells.
- **Kew Plaza.** The Plaza became a busy social hub on the east side of Kew Gardens Station in 2021 after the easing of the lockdown with the addition of Torelli’s coffee house, the renovation of Café Pagoda and the continuing success of Café Yukari. We are grateful to all three businesses for their support to the Society’s gardening effort, including the donation of plants and help with watering.
- **North Rd junction with High Park Avenue.** We would like to acknowledge the continued hard work of Society members, Daphne and John Turner, who keep this garden in such spectacular condition through thick and thin. We would also like to recognise the hard work of their family members who have been drafted in by their parents/grandparents to help at key moments.
- **Kew Village beds.** These have matured considerably over the past year. There have been new plantings and some replacement plantings to repair drought damage and unauthorised removal of some ornamental grasses in the spring! We are grateful to Alan Russell at The Kew Greenhouse for giving us access to their water.
- **St Anne’s churchyard and the War Memorial.** The replanting of the Churchyard has been our biggest gardening project since the Station gardens were rejuvenated. The project received strong support from Nigel Worn, the vicar, as well as the Churchwarden, Friends of St Anne’s and the church’s gardening volunteers. The planting was funded through a grant from LBRUT’s Civic Pride Fund to The Kew Society. Continental Landscapes, the Council’s grounds maintenance contractor, helped with the planting as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility. New sweet-scented shrubs were planted in November and February and have settled in well, with some of the philadelphi flowering and giving us an idea of how lovely their scent will be as the shrubs mature. Continental Landscapes has also helped with the management of the wildflower areas both in the churchyard as well as around the War Memorial. The addition of red poppies in the churchyard border was particularly well received by passers-by providing an irresistible photographic opportunity for many.

- The results of our gardeners' efforts have been photographed throughout the seasons by Nora Dennehy, our Vice Chair, and posted on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts, as well as being shared with the Community via the Kew Village notice board, reaching a wide audience of both members and non-member followers and receiving appreciative comments from far-flung corners of the globe including the USA.

Kew Society Events

Our Events Team (Mary Done [Trustee and Lead], Sue May, Jane Hogan) organised an interesting programme of live events between August – December 2020 but the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic meant that they had to be postponed to comply with Government regulations.

By autumn 2020, with COVID cases anticipated to further increase, it was clear that we should abandon the idea of resuming live meetings and commence organising events online to keep our members focused and in touch. To do this we have been greatly aided by Lee Oliver, Head of Visitor Experience at the National Archives, and his excellent team. They have provided the platform and technical support for all our webinars, starting with our Annual General Meeting in October 2020. We are very grateful to them, especially since their technical support has ensured that the webinars have been virtually free of problems.

- The successful virtual 2020 AGM encouraged our Events Team to relook at topics for talks and organise a series of webinars to replace live meetings. We are grateful to all the excellent speakers who agreed to take part in what, for many of them, was their first experience of lecturing on-line to a remote audience. Our colleagues at The National Archives ensured that all were prepared for this by holding technical briefings for each speaker in advance of their webinar.
- The first webinar in December 2020 was a fascinating talk on the 'History of Heathrow' by Anne-Marie Purcell, Archivist at the University of West London, whose document collections include one on the airport.
- In January 2021, Dr Margaret Wilson, Honorary Curator at the British Dental Association educated us on dental history and plants. Her talk was entitled 'The Good, The Bad and The Ugly!'
- This was followed in February by a talk from Jason Debney, Co-ordinator of The Thames Landscape Strategy (TLS) and an old friend of the Society, who updated and inspired listeners about the Rewilding of the Arcadian Thames. One result of his talk will be further opportunities for Kew Society members to volunteer to help on TLS projects on our part of the Thames (see Environments section of this report).
- In March we held a joint webinar with The Richmond Local History Society. Stephen Bartlett, local historian, addressed us on the early history of Kew's Lawn Crescent, a topic of great interest to members of both Societies judging from the size of the on-line audience.
- The April webinar was given by the well-known author and historian, Tracy Borman. She gave an intriguing talk about "Henry VIII and the Men Who Made Him", the subject of her recently published book.

- The month of May saw an appropriately titled webinar to celebrate the coming of spring to our part of the world, “The Flowering of Kew Gardens – In Art”. This was given by Chris Mills, former head of the Library, Art and Archives at RBGK.
- Another RBGK specialist, Mark Nesbitt, Ethnobotanist and Curator of the Economic Botany Collection gave a talk in June based on his new book “Just The Tonic – a natural history of tonic water”. He was joined by Kim Walker of RBGK and Royal Holloway College, University of London, who ended the talk with a demonstration of how to make a rather special G&T!
- The Society’s “year” ended in July with biographer Peter Fullagar speaking about “Connecting Woolf to Kew and Richmond”, the topic of his recently published book exploring the influence of our area on Virginia Woolf when she was a resident of Richmond.

Admission to all the Society’s webinars has been offered free to both members and other interested parties. Usually, the webinars have attracted about 80-100 participants online, as many as would have attended a live meeting. We began to record the webinars from Dr Wilson’s talk onwards and these recordings are available to view on the Society’s web pages.

With the relaxation this summer of the rules governing activities during the pandemic, The Kew Society is turning its attention back to “live events”. These have included a Kew Society stand at the Kew Horticultural Society Summer Show, (late August Bank Holiday) and the September Kew Village Market. It was brilliant to have the opportunity to chat to members who stopped to say “hello” and to non-members who showed a keen interest in our display boards on planning applications etc., some of whom have joined the Society as a result of this contact. Our third event was an informal picnic party on a balmy September night using the Pocket Park outside area of The National Archives.

Communications and Membership

In the absence of live events during the pandemic, keeping in touch with the membership through other forms of communication has been particularly important. The Trustees are pleased to report that our membership currently numbers over 760 compared to about 780 at the start of the pandemic. A greater number of people than usual did not renew their membership in September 2020. However, others have joined since then, welcomed by our membership secretary, Michael Fletcher. Regrettably, we have not been able to hold our customary drinks receptions for new members but these will resume, COVID-19 regulations permitting, in the coming year. Our total number of members is now only just short of pre-pandemic levels, despite there being few opportunities for active recruitment. We believe that several channels of communication helped us to stay in touch with the community and have contributed to this stability:-

- **The Kew Society Newsletter** (Claire Bethel, Trustee and Editor, assisted by Paul Bethel). We have continued to produce quarterly Newsletters, but they have been enlarged from four to eight pages. They are available online and hard copies have been produced for those who do not have electronic forms of communication. Hard copies of some issues have been delivered to the whole membership. The richly illustrated Newsletters have carried reports on many of the Society's activities on planning, environmental and Heathrow issues, and on gardening. There have also been interviews with local traders and other people and articles on the pandemic.
- **A Kew Miscellany** (Roger Mason, Trustee, assisted by Nick Hutchings, Webmaster, and Sue May). It was clear early in the pandemic that we would not be able to achieve, through meetings, one of the Society's constitutional objectives - to educate the membership about our local history and culture. Thus, we started A Kew Miscellany, a regular email from the Chair to Members, which contains an article of local historical or cultural interest and gives links to related lectures and online events etc., in our area. 33 issues of the Miscellany have gone out since the pandemic started and have proved popular with the membership. We have been very fortunate to have a number of members write one or more articles specifically for the Miscellany, especially John Moses, local historian, and to have the valuable co-operation of Robert Smith, Chair of the Richmond History Society and editor of Richmond History who has allowed us to reprint articles previously published in that journal. We are very grateful to all.
- **The Kew Society Social Media platforms** (Nora Dennehy, Trustee and Public Relations). ND has regularly posted items of Kew Society news , accompanied by informative and often stunning photographs, on our social media platforms over the year. She has steadily built up these platforms so that The Kew Society now has 1038 followers on Instagram, 723 followers on Twitter and 604 followers on Facebook. Importantly, posts on these platforms reach beyond The Kew Society membership, helping to promote our activities in the wider community.

We have missed the opportunity to talk to members and others at the Kew Society stalls (Mary Done, Trustee , assisted by Sue May and manned by the Trustees and other helpers). In pre-pandemic times they were a regular feature at Kew Village Sunday Markets, The Kew Summer Fair and The Kew Horticultural Society Summer Show but were not possible during the period of this report. Poster boards on planning and other issues at the Stalls allow us to discuss such matters face to face with the community. We are pleased to report that they have restarted with the 2021 August Kew Horticultural Show and the September Sunday Market. Regulations allowing, they will continue to be an important feature of Kew Society communication in the year ahead.

Patrons

We thank our Patrons for their interest in the Kew Society and for their support.

Summary

The Chair and Executive Committee believe that they have met the criteria inherited and listed as the Objects of the Society and that the above is evidence of Developments, Activities and Achievements.

THE KEW SOCIETY
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2021

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements for the period 1st August 2020 to 31st July 2021. The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the CIO's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) as revised in March 2018.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The general objective of the charity is to maintain and enhance the area of Kew and the area immediately adjacent.

The Trustees have given due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission in accordance with section 17 of the Charities Act 2011.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Incoming resources during the year amounted to £7,984 (2020: £16,379). Resources expended on charitable activities in the year totalled £4,935 (2020: £13,914). Governance costs amounted to £250 (2020: £160).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, and is therefore governed by its Constitution. The Charitable Incorporated Organisation was incorporated and registered as a charity on 12 May 2017 (registered number 1173016).

The Charity's affairs are conducted by the Trustees who meet regularly and have the power to appoint new Trustees at their discretion. New Trustees appointed in this way must put themselves forward for reappointment at the next Annual General Meeting of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Trustees are required to familiarise themselves with the guidance provided to Trustees by the Charity Commission but the charity does not have any formal programme for the induction and training of new Trustees. C Bethel performs the day to day affairs at the principal address of the charity: 13 Ruskin Avenue, Kew, Richmond, Surrey TW9 4DR.

RISK FACTORS

The Trustees have carried out a risk assessment and this is reviewed on a regular basis throughout the year.

TRUSTEES' FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2021

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The Trustees consider the activities of the charity to be satisfactory during the year. The charity expects further income in the following years to meet the costs of meeting its obligations as a charity. A detailed review of the activities of the charity is available separately.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trustees have reviewed the Charity's need for reserves in line with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission.

Unrestricted funds are needed to provide funds which can be designated to specific projects to enable these projects to be undertaken and to cover administration and support costs without which the charity could not function. The Trustees consider it prudent that unrestricted reserves should be sufficient to cover a minimum of one year's administration and support costs and to ensure that sufficient funds are maintained to enable the Trustees to fund known future commitments. The level of reserves are monitored and reviewed by the Trustees on an annual basis.

Restricted funds equal to approximately three year's incoming resources have been set aside so as to be able to engage professional advice on planning matters in a timely manner.

The results for the prior year have been inflated through the receipt of a one-off grant of £7,600 from the Community Fund, now called the Village Fund. This grant was intended to part-fund the feasibility study into step-free access at Kew Gardens station and was so used. The total cost of the study came to £9,120. This grant has not been included in the calculation of necessary restricted funds.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The future plan of the Charity is to continue to maintain and enhance the area of Kew and the area immediately adjacent.

ASSET COVER FOR FUNDS

Note 11 sets out an analysis of the assets attributable to the various funds.

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**TRUSTEES' FINANCIAL REPORT FOR
THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2021**

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The Charities Act 2011 requires the Trustees to prepare a statement of accounts for each financial year. Under The Charities Act 2011 the Trustees must not approve the statement of accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation for that period. In preparing the statement of account, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charitable Incorporated Organisation will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charitable Incorporated Organisation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation and enable them to ensure that the statement of accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 7 September 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Professor R Mason
Trustee & Chair

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE PREPARATION OF THE
UNAUDITED STATUTORY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE KEW SOCIETY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2021**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 July 2021.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention .

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Lesley Pasricha, Chartered Accountant
23 Front Street, Portesham
Weymouth DT3 4ET

September 2021

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating Income and expenditure account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2021

	Note	Restricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
INCOME FROM:					
Membership subscriptions and donations	2	--	6,579	6,579	6,404
Other income	3		<u>1,405</u>	<u>1,405</u>	<u>9,975</u>
TOTAL INCOME			<u>7,984</u>	<u>7,984</u>	<u>16,379</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities:					
Charitable activities	4	-	4,835	4,835	13,914
Governance costs	5	-	<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>160</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>-</u>	<u>5,085</u>	<u>5,085</u>	<u>14,074</u>
NET INCOME BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES		<u>-</u>	<u>2,899</u>	<u>2,899</u>	<u>2,305</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		-	2,899	2,899	2,305
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		<u>15,000</u>	<u>14,307</u>	<u>29,307</u>	<u>27,002</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>15,000</u>	<u>17,206</u>	<u>32,206</u>	<u>29,307</u>

The notes on pages 24 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 JULY 2021

	Note	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments	7	1,762		2,458	
Stock of postage stamps		620		320	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>30,484</u>		<u>27,317</u>	
		32,866		30,095	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within 12 months	8	<u>(446)</u>		<u>(528)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>32,420</u>		<u>29,513</u>	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than 12 months		<u>(214)</u>		<u>(206)</u>	
NET ASSETS		<u>32,206</u>		<u>29,307</u>	
CHARITY FUNDS					
Restricted funds		15,000		15,000	
Unrestricted funds		<u>17,206</u>		<u>14,307</u>	
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>32,206</u>		<u>29,307</u>	

The Trustees consider that the charity is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") and members have not required the charity to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 2 September 2020 and signed on their behalf, by:

Professor R Mason
Trustee & Chair

The notes on pages 24 to 28 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Kew Society meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue, and so the going concern basis of accounting has been adopted.

1.3 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are available only for the purposes for which they have been created

1.4 Income

Income from membership subscriptions and donations is included in the statement of financial activities when these are receivable, except as follows:

When members and donors specify that fees and donations given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods.

When donors impose conditions, which have to be fulfilled before the Trustees become entitled to use such income. The income is deferred and not included in incoming resources until the pre-conditions for use have been met.

All other incoming resources are included in the Statement of financial activities when the charity has entitlement to the funds, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure on charitable activities and governance costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

1.6 Taxation

No provision for taxation is included in the accounts as the Charity is entitled to exemption from tax.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Restricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Membership subscriptions	-	6,520	6,520	6,161
Donations	-	59	59	243
Total membership subscriptions and donations	<u>-</u>	<u>6,579</u>	<u>6,579</u>	<u>6,404</u>
<i>Total 2020</i>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,404</u>	<u>6,404</u>	

3. OTHER INCOME

	Restricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Gift Aid	-	1,400	1,400	1,422
Surplus on self-funded events	-	0	0	819
Community Fund Grant	-	0	0	7,600
Interest Income	<u>-</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>134</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,405</u>	<u>1,405</u>	<u>9,975</u>
<i>Total 2020</i>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,975</u>	<u>9,975</u>	

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4. EXPENDITURE BY CHARITABLE ACTIVITY

	Restricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Donations	-	940	940	640
Membership subscriptions	-	520	520	665
Printing and stationery		1,090	1,090	1,316
Society unfunded events		1,029	1,029	957
Planning and appeals		0	0	0
Gardening	-	767	767	382
Postage	-	199	199	815
Insurance	-	198	198	148
Website	-	72	72	485
Feasibility Study: step-free access at Kew Gardens Station	-	0	0	9,120
Contribution towards cost of Kew Noticeboard waived by Council		0	0	-2,000
Signage for War Memorial		0	0	375
Bank charges		7	7	9
Sundry	-	13	13	88
		4,835	4,835	13,000
Via designated funds: 2nd payment on plaque for Kew Bridge	-	0	0	914
		4,835	4,835	13,914
<i>Total 2020</i>	-	13,914	13,914	

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Restricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Fee of Independent Accountant	-	250	250	160
	-	250	250	160

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses from the Charity during the year.

There were no employees during the year.

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7. DEBTORS

	2021 £	2020 £
Gift Aid	1,400	1,421
Other debtors and prepayments	362	1,037
	<u>1,762</u>	<u>2,458</u>

8. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Subscriptions paid in advance: Due within 12 months	196	280
Other creditors	250	302
	<u>446</u>	<u>582</u>
Subscriptions paid in advance: Due after more than 12 months	214	206
	<u>660</u>	<u>788</u>

9. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Balance at 1 August 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 July 2021
Unrestricted funds				
General funds:				
Designated funds				
Plaque for Kew Bridge	1,392		(1,392)	0
Other reserves	12,915	9,376	(5,185)	17,106
	<u>14,307</u>	9,376	(6,577)	17,106
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	15,000	-	-	15,000
Total of funds	<u>29,307</u>	9,376	(6,577)	<u>32,106</u>
2020	<u>27,002</u>	<u>16,375</u>	<u>(14,074)</u>	<u>29,307</u>

There have been no movements on restricted funds during the year ended 31 July 2021.

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10. SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	Balance at 1 August 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance at 31 July 2021 £
General funds	14,307	9,376	(6,577)	17,106
Restricted funds	15,000	-	-	15,000
	<u>29,307</u>	<u>9,376</u>	<u>(6,577)</u>	<u>32,106</u>

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Restricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £	2021 £	2020 £
Current assets	15,000	-	15,000	15,000
Current assets	-	17,766	17,766	15,095
Creditors due within 12 months	-	(446)	(446)	(582)
Creditors due after more than 12 months	-	(214)	(214)	(206)
	<u>15,000</u>	<u>17,106</u>	<u>32,106</u>	<u>29,307</u>