



Dorking Allotment Holders' Association (DAHA)

Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022

Andy Whitehouse
DAHA Treasurer



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Commentary on 2021-2022 accounts

It has been a busy year for DAHA, and we have been able to finally put on some events.

The finances of the association remain healthy and stable. The increase in the number of members (from 167 to 185) has not only meant extra subscriptions but also additional orders received.

DAHA continues to purchase compost and other goods in bulk and sell on to members at near trade prices. The overall sales in terms of value have increased by around 6%. The number of bags of compost and manure sold have increased by 4%. DAHA did have to increase prices on some goods over the year in line with increased supplier prices. On average DAHA makes around an 8% margin on these goods.

This year DAHA was able to host an in person Spring into Action talk which was well attended. In addition we arranged a group visit to RHS Hyde Hall. This was a departure from our usual trip to RHS Wisley, and was subsidised from DAHA funds. The Pumpkin Show for 2022 will go ahead in October 2022 – although most of these costs will appear in the accounts next year.

DAHA has continued to support projects at the allotment sites. Excess funds from 2020 and 2021 have been allocated to sites based on membership and order values. Site agents have been informed of allocated amounts to the various sites and there have been a number of calls on these funds. Examples of projects have been provision of new noticeboards at Coldharbour and St Paul's, additional communal tools at Ranmore, a Christmas social event at Coldharbour, and materials for a communal area at Coldharbour. There are plans for a new tool shed at Bentsbrook.

DAHA signed up as a community organisation in the Mole Valley Community Lottery, and has received over £470 in funding. Part of this funding has been used to pay for a projector for use at talks and events – to avoid the need to continually hire a projector each time and potentially to offer it for hire to other organisations.

Overall the finances remain solid, and thanks go to all members for paying their invoices quickly and to the committee for organising our events in challenging circumstances.

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DAHA Treasurer



DAHA Objects

The DAHA Constitution agreed at the AGM on 12 November 2019 sets out the following objects:

1. The Association to be called the Dorking Allotment Holders' Association
2. To represent members in the Dorking area in the mutual benefit and improvement of allotments, the Committee assisting as far as possible in the control thereof
3. To buy collectively at the lowest possible prices
4. To further the knowledge of members by organising talks, exhibits of allotment produce, and competitions for awards and prizes by a set of rules as appropriate
5. Committee and members will assist the Mole Valley District Council in good allotment management practices.

DAHA Finance

The DAHA constitution also sets out the following details on the management of the finances of DAHA:

1. The funds of the Association shall be paid into a bank of the Committee's choice as recorded in the minutes of the AGM in the name of 3 trustees
2. All accounts shall either be paid by cheque signed by two trustees, or shall be settled by electronic transfer by a trustee with appropriate security clearance in line with the procedure of the bank.
3. The financial year of the Association shall close on 31 August in each year, after which a balance sheet and revenue account shall be prepared prior to the AGM
4. The balance sheet and revenue account will be reviewed by an Independent Financial Reviewer prior to the AGM.
5. The income and property of the Association shall be solely applied towards promoting the objects of the Association
6. In the event of winding up or dissolution of the Association any remaining assets after all liabilities have been discharged shall be divided equally amongst current members.

Statement of Treasurer

I can confirm that in my opinion the finances of the Association over this accounting year have been conducted in line with the DAHA Constitution.

I confirm that in my opinion the accounts and notes attached are a fair representation of the financial position of DAHA for the financial year in question.

Signed

Andy Whitehouse
DAHA Treasurer

Date:

13 September 2022



Statement of Independent Financial Reviewer

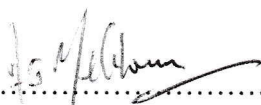
The AGM of DAHA on 9 November 2021 appointed Alistair Meldrum as the Independent Financial Reviewer for these accounts.

These accounts have been reviewed by the Independent Financial Reviewer.

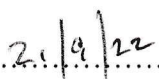
Statement of Independent Financial Reviewer

I have reviewed the attached accounts of Dorking Allotment Holders' Association for the year ended 31st August 2022.

In my opinion these are a true representation of the accounts, which are in accordance with the books and records and have been fairly stated.

Signed 

Alistair Meldrum

Date: 



DAHA Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet	31 August 2022 £	31 August 2021 £	Notes
Assets:			
Bank Account	1,744.42	1,866.06	1
Cash in hand	-	-	2
Creditors:			
Amounts owed to external parties	-	-	3
Amounts owed to members	-	(12.50)	4
Committed Funds	(500.00)	-	5
Debtors:			
Amounts owed to DAHA	-	42.00	6
DAHA Net Worth	1,244.42	1,895.56	
<i>Approximate value of goods in stock (not included in Net Worth)</i>	<i>1,958.75</i>	<i>1,343.50</i>	<i>7</i>

Notes to the Balance Sheet 31 August 2022:

1. DAHA holds funds within a Treasurer's Account at Lloyds Bank plc in the name of "Dorking Allotment Holders Association". The three trustees are Matt Peskett, Andy Whitehouse and Pat Hand. Two trustees are required to sign any cheque. Bank Transfers can be authorised by any trustee in possession of the appropriate security codes and card machine.
2. There were no unbanked cheques and no unbanked cash at the balance sheet date.
3. There were no amounts owing to external parties.
4. There were no amounts owed to members at the balance sheet date.
5. DAHA received a grant from SES Water in late August 2022. This grant needs to be spent on water saving initiatives and as at the accounting date a decision had yet to be made on how the funds should be spent.
6. At any point during the year there are amounts owed by members to DAHA for orders, however there were no amounts owed at the balance sheet date.
7. Goods held in stock represent goods purchased in bulk by DAHA that have not yet been sold to members. No value has been included in the DAHA Net Worth for goods held in stock, however the cost of those goods has been included. The value of goods in stock has been shown for information only.



DAHA Revenue Account

Revenue Account	Notes	1 September 2021 – 31 August 2022 £	1 September 2020 – 31 August 2021 £
Net worth at beginning of financial year		1,895.56	1,617.26
Membership Subscriptions	1	1,008.00	1,176.00
<i>2019-20 subscriptions</i>		-	2.00
<i>2020-21 subscriptions</i>		-	794.00
<i>2021-22 subscriptions</i>		538.00	380.00
<i>2022-23 subscriptions</i>		460.00	-
<i>2023-24 subscriptions</i>		10.00	-
Donations/Fundraising	2	504.09	22.57
<i>Donations</i>		26.59	6.57
<i>Mole Valley Community Lottery</i>		477.50	16.00
Events	3	(1,080.90)	50.30
<i>Pumpkin Show</i>		(36.45)	(5.00)
<i>AGM</i>		(320.55)	55.30
<i>Spring into Action</i>		(258.90)	-
<i>RHS Hyde Hall visit</i>		(465.00)	-
Project Work & Equipment	4	(937.43)	(401.65)
<i>Equipment Purchases</i>		(369.00)	-
<i>Project Work</i>		(568.43)	(401.65)
Purchase and Sales of Goods	5	50.10	(221.10)
<i>Cost of Goods</i>		(6,466.15)	(6,357.00)
<i>Income from sales to members</i>		6,516.75	6,137.50
<i>DAHA Delivery Expenses</i>		(0.50)	(1.60)
Other Expenses		(195.00)	(347.82)
<i>Subscriptions</i>	6	(45.00)	(35.00)
<i>Public Liability Insurance</i>	6	(75.00)	(75.00)
<i>Website</i>	7	(75.00)	(236.94)
<i>Other expenses</i>	8	-	(0.88)
Total Movement in Year		(651.14)	278.30
Net worth at end of financial year		1,244.42	1,895.56



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Notes to Revenue Account 2021-22.

1. Membership subscriptions remained at £5 per annum. There were 185 members in 2021-22 – generating a total of £923 of subscriptions for the 2021-22 membership year. The subscriptions were received in different accounting years - £460 in 2021-22, £380 in 2020-21 and £5 in 2019-20. One member underpaid their subscription by £2.
2. Donations were received at both the Spring into Action and AGM. In addition, DAHA receives around £9 per week from Mole Valley Community Lottery.
3. DAHA put events on during 2021-22. The AGM and Spring into Action expenses include hall hire, speaker fees and expenses, and refreshment costs. The cost of the AGM 2022 hall hire has also been paid. The RHS Hyde Hall visit was subsidised by DAHA – the coach and driver costs were £895 and ticket receipts were £430. Pumpkin Show expenses relate to art work and stationery for the 2022 and the cancelled 2021 show.
4. During the year DAHA purchased a projector for use by speakers at our events – which saves hiring a projector and is a possible income generation in future. Since 2020 DAHA has been allocating excess funds to sites based on membership and order values. These amounts can be spent by site agents on different projects. During 2021-22 new noticeboards have been provided at St Pauls and Coldharbour Lane, new communal tools at Ranmore, a mince pie/mulled wine event at Coldharbour Lane, and expenses associated with a communal shed at Coldharbour Lane. As at 31 August 2022 funds available to sites total £552.42.
5. DAHA purchases goods in bulk and sells those goods on to members. The intention is that this is not a serious profit making activity, although prices for goods are rounded up to the nearest £1 or 50p to provide some funds to DAHA. Mileage expenses at 40p per mile are paid to committee members who deliver goods to members' plots from Coldharbour Lane, however in 2021-22 the vast majority of members have collected orders from Coldharbour Lane.
6. DAHA purchases public liability insurance from AON Sports Insure (via RHS) for events. The liability covered is £5 million is with NFU Mutual. DAHA pays annual subscriptions to the Royal Horticultural Society of £35 and to the Surrey Horticultural Federation (SHF) of £10.
7. The website expenses represent £75 for the Membermojo system. Website hosting up until 31 August 2022 was paid in prior accounting year, as was the domain name renewal for the period of 5 years.
8. There were no miscellaneous expenses in 2021-22.