ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 45th Annual General Meeting of the Streatham Society (Charity Number 283297) will be held at 6:30pm on Tuesday 5th October 2021 at St Leonard's Church to transact the following business:

1. **Minutes of the previous meeting** - To be agreed and matters arising

2. **Chair's Report**

3. **Reports and Accounts** - To receive and consider the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021.

4. **Appointment and remuneration of independent examiner of accounts** - To appoint an independent examiner for the financial year to 31st March 2022.

5. **Appointment of charity trustees** - Nominations for the position of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and other committee members must be received by **31st August 2021**.
All committee members are Trustees of the Charity.

6. **Members' resolutions** - Resolutions should be sent to the Secretary by **31st August 2021**.

7. **Any other business** - To deal with any relevant matters raised at the meeting.

Mark Bery, Secretary 4th July 2021

Following the AGM, at 7:30pm John Brown will give an illustrated talk on a recent book which he has published

If we are unable to hold an "in-person" meeting due to Covid-19 restrictions, the AGM will be held by Zoom on 5th October 2021 at 6:30pm. AGM papers will be sent by email and will also be posted to the Web page, "Members' Section" https://www.streathamsociety.org.uk/members-page.html Password GeorgePratt5958

To aid communication with members it would be helpful to have members' email addresses. For those members who have not registered an email address with the Society and wish to be contacted by email, please include details via the web site (there is a form on the contacts section https://www.streathamsociety.org.uk/contact.html or email streathamsoc@gmail.com

Minutes of the Streatham Society AGM held on 23 November 2020 by Zoom

Attendees. 7 members attended and the meeting was chaired by Russell Henman, Deputy Chair

It was noted that the Constitution of the Society had been amended to allow an AGM to be held by Zoom

1. Chair's report 2019/20. Covid-19 restrictions had caused meetings to be cancelled in March 2020 and the Society had since adapted to the situation by holding regular Zoom talks. The Chair thanked members of the Executive and other members of the Society for their hard work

2. The Treasurer reported a Surplus for the year of £416.45 for the year on a turnover of £7,913.13. The Society remained in a healthy position with cash reserves of £37,193.69 at 31 March 2020.

   It was noted at the time of the AGM that, as a result of Covid the Society would be making a deficit for 2020/21 but had sufficient cash reserves for this not to have a significant impact to the Society's financial position

3. Mr Allen Brown was thanked for undertaking an Independent Review of the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

4. No nominations had been received to be a Trustee of the Society and existing members of the Executive who are Trustees of the Charity agreed to continue to serve for a further year

Secretary

November 2020

Streatham Society Annual Report 2020-21

Although the restrictions imposed by Covid 19 continued to affect our meetings it did at least allow time to reflect and reconsider our approach to coping in the short term a and the longer term.
Firstly we initiated a series of very successful Zoom meetings which were well received and secondly we had been aware for a long time that the success of our meetings at Woodlawns had led to more demands for fewer places as our popularity increased so did the demand on space.
It was felt that a larger venue was needed and following discussions with the committee and St Leonards Church it was decided that, following a VERY successful meeting in September, all future meeting would be held in the church..The advantage of this is the increased visability of the screen and more than adequate seating We now look forward to the year ahead in a greatly enhanced venue and a number of interesting and lively speakers

Membership
Our paid membership for 2020 was 273 .This was fewer than 2019 but good, considering we had no live meetings after March because of government restrictions. We welcomed 30 new members ,£453 was donated with subscriptions.141 members have supplied an email contact address..As live live meetings ended in March it was decided that subscriptions should be waived for 2021Thereforeour inciomewas much reduced.
Publications
We have over 50 titles in our publications which are all advertised on our website are 32 Streatham Society title and 27 John Brown Local History Publications. John publishes all our books. Lockdown restrictions have resulted in an increase in our online sales. Many of these were for our *Trails* as people took exercise walking around Streatham.

Despite this being a challenging year we remain exciting and optimistic about the future .I would like to thank ***all*** the committee for their on going enthusiasm and hard work They are .Janis Benson for running the book stall at the Recent Lambeth Heritage festival and all other events,Mark Berry for his work as secretary and on social media,Russell Henman for arranging speakers,Liz Burton treasurer who makes sure our money is spent

wisely,Robert Doyle for technical assistance .I would like to give a special thank you to our Newsletter editor Judy Harris for all the time and effort she puts into producing the excellent quarterly Streatham Society News which is always packed with news , photos, information , reports and dates for our diaries.Please keep sending her your news or memories of Streatham or other items that she can use when putting the magazine together.

Heres to another year of discovery fun and wine at meetings!!

Shea Richardson

THE STREATHAM SOCIETY
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021

GENERAL ACCOUNT		2021	2020
Income			
Notes			
	Subscriptions	£ 670.00	£ 2,870.00
	Donations	£ 212.20	£ 476.10
1	Raffles	£ -	£ 528.70
1	Refreshments	£ -	£ 470.00
2	Publications	£ 1,695.95	£ 3,313.90
3	Bank Interest	£ 251.05	£ 254.43
5	Cash in hand	£ 51.00	
		£ 2,880.20	**£ 7,913.13**
Expenditure			
Notes			
5	Affiliation fees	£ 48.00	£ 48.00
6	Donations	£ 1,670.00	£ 1,592.00
	Speakers' fees	£ 180.00	£ 300.00
7	Publications	£ 1,574.00	£ 1,454.75
8	Printing, postage, stationery	£ 1,668.18	£ 2,440.29
9	Insurance	£ 75.00	£ 75.00
10	Room hire	£ 750.00	£ 1,050.00
11	Miscellaneous	£ 321.72	£ 536.64
		£ 6,286.90	**£ 7,496.68**
	Surplus/deficit	**-£ 3,406.70**	**£ 416.45**
CURRENT ASSETS			
Notes			
	RBS account	£ 44.84	£ 14,636.08
12	Float for bookstalls	£ 51.00	£ -
	Lloyds current account	£ 17,243.35	£ 6,755.50
	Lloyds deposit account	£ 15,554.12	£ 15,554.12
		£ 32,893.31	**£ 36,945.70**

The notes are explained in the Treasurer's Report, to be presented at the AGM.
Money placed in deposit account 16/4/19

THE STREATHAM SOCIETY

TREASURER'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 1ST APRIL 2020 TO 31ST MARCH 2021

BANK ACCOUNT HOLDINGS AS AT 31ST MARCH 2021

The Society had a total of **£32797.37** in the Lloyds deposit and current accounts.

There was a balance of **£44.84 i**n the RBS account.

Please refer to the Income and Expenditure account for 2020-2021 included with this report.

NOTES ON INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 1ST APRIL 2020 TO 31ST MARCH 2021

Note 1: Raffle and Refreshment and Income

There was no raffle or refreshment income for the last financial year, as the Society held no in-person meetings.

Note 2: Publications Income

This refers to books, leaflets etc. bought online or in person from the Publications Officer.

Note 3: Bank Interest

Lloyds:	£247.99
RBS:	£3.06
Total:	**£251.05**

Note 4: Affiliation fees

These are for the London Forum and Lambeth Local History Forum.

Note 5: Donations

The donations made by the Society are partly for local causes which the committee has decided are worth supporting and partly for organisations which supply speakers.

Good causes:

- Woodlawns Centre
- Streatham Festival
- Friends of Streatham Common
- Friends of Streatham Hill Theatre

Organisations which supplied speakers this year:

- The Match Girls' Memorial
- Crystal Palace Foundation

Note 6: Publications

These expenses relate to publications purchased from John Brown.

Note 7: Printing, Postage and Stationery

These expenses relate to the costs of producing and sending out The Streatham Society Newsletter, plus programmes, membership cards and general printing, copying and postage.

Note 8: Insurance

This is paid to the British Association for Local History (BALH).

Note 9: Room Hire at Woodlawns

In August 2020, we made a payment to Woodlawns of £1050.00. This constituted:

- a hire fee of £850.00 to cover the period from July 2019 to March 14th 2020
- a donation of £300.00 to cover the 6 meetings we were unable to hold from March 15th to June 2020.

Note 10: Miscellaneous Expenses

The miscellaneous expenses consist of:

- A payment of £143.88 to Liz Burton for funding the Streatham Society's copy of Zoom Pro, which allows us to hold online meetings.
- A payment of £177.84 to Mark Bery for two years' website hosting by Weebly.

Total: £321.72

Note 11: Float for Bookstalls

£51.00 was retrieved by Robert Doyle from the cash box at Woodlawns. This is cash which is used as a float for bookstalls, and should have been included in last year's accounts, but was forgotten about due to the sudden lockdown.

Other Points to Note

- The Society has suffered a deficit this year of **£3406.70.**

INCOME COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS (LESS BANK INTEREST)

Income Stream	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Donations	£212.20	£476.10	£1,316.00	£783.00	£816.00
Subscriptions	£670.00	£2,870.00	£2,425.00	£3,040.00	£2,571.00
Raffles	£0	£528.70	£426.00	£465.00	£567.00
Refreshments	£0	£470.00	£266.00	£460.00	£400.00
Publications	£1695.95	£3,313.90	£1,719.00	£1,923.00	£1,582.00
	£2578.15	**£7,658.70**	**£6,152.00**	**£6,671.00**	**£5,936.00**

Points to note:

- In spite of this year's exceptional circumstances, publications income has pretty much kept pace with previous years, with the exception of 2020, which was easily our best year.
- In March 2020, when we were no longer able to hold in-person meetings, we made the decision to suspend subscriptions until meetings could start again. The period of suspension proved to be longer than we hoped, and has led to a significant drop in income for 2021.
- With no in-person meetings, we were unable to hold raffles or sell refreshments.
- Due to the move away from cheque payments and difficulties with our RBS bank account, we have stopped using the RBS account and are currently trying to close it.
- Our Lloyds deposit account holds **£15,554.12** which is invested for three years.

MANAGEMENT OF ASSETS

It is the Society's accounting policy to take the full cost of assets on acquisition

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I would like to thank the following for the help they have given me and the Society in general over the last financial year:

- The Committee and Mark in particular for their support in these difficult times
- Judy for maintaining excellent records of all income for subscriptions, publications and donations.
- Fred Johnson ACMA, CGMA for the meticulous work he has put into examining the accounts.
- Our in-house speakers who have given excellent talks at no cost to the Society.

E. Burton

Liz Burton, Treasurer, June 2021

THE STREATHAM SOCIETY

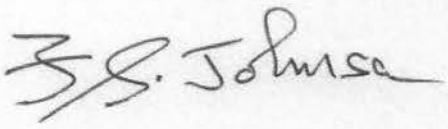
EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

STREATHAM SOCIETY ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021

I confirm that I have examined the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021 as presented to me by the Treasurer together with the following supporting documentation:

- Relevant bank and savings account statements
- Cheque books and relevant invoices and receipts
- Notes on the accounts provided by the Treasurer

I confirm that the draft accounts are accurate and complete in accordance with the information provided to me.



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Examiner

September 2021