

Wandsworth Liberal Democrats Treasurer's Report to the AGM – 21st November 2022

I am required by our constitution to present a report to the AGM, including an outline budget for next year and a budget for the Putney Development Fund.

		2021	2022	2023
		Actual	Projection	Budget
		£	£	£
Income				
Ongoing				
Donations		9,691	8,860	6,958
Fundraising			2,000	1,600
Property		1,320	1,320	1,320
Members	hip	1,515	960	960
Total Income		12,526	13,140	10,838
Expenditu	re			
Campaigns		5,166	7,063	5,180
Admin costs		1,352	2,350	2,251
Training				1,900
Fundraising			1,030	640
Total Expenditure		6,518	10,442	9,971
Net (Expe	nditure)/Income	6,008	2,697	867
Balance Sł	neet			
Property		25,000	25,000	25,000
Cash		53,525	55,802	56,599
Creditors and Accruals		(754)	(334)	(264)
Net Assets		77,771	80,468	81,335
Reserves brought forward		71,763	77,771	80,468
Net Income/ (Expenditure)		6,008		867
Reserves carried forward		77,771	80,468	81,335

Annual results

2021 Actuals

The 2021 figures are from our published accounts for last year, these accounts are to be approved by the members at the AGM.



2022 Projections

The 2022 figures are our internal results for the year to date, with an indicative forecast for the remainder of the year.

2023 Budget

The 2023 budget is indicative only – the final budget will be developed and approved by the new executive committee, elected at this meeting. Should a general election be held in 2023, we will revise our budget accordingly.

Commentary

Income

Donations

Our donation income is a combination of larger individual donations and ongoing monthly donations from local members.

In 2022, the party's focus has been on campaigning in the council elections, with fewer fundraising initiatives.

In 2023 we intend to build support from our members and supporters, to increase donations and fundraising activities to fund on-going campaigning and build cash reserves prior to the 2024 General Election, the London Assembly elections and the 2026 Wandsworth Council elections.

Fundraising

We held fundraising events in 2022 which we intend to continue into 2023.

Property

This is the annual rent from a very small Putney garage.

Membership fees

We receive a per capita rebate from the national party for a percentage of the annual party membership fee paid by Wandsworth members.

Expenditure

Campaigns

In 2021 we had the London Mayoral and Assembly election. In 2022, we had the Wandsworth Council elections, with campaigning effort both before and during the election period.



We intend to increase our campaigning activity in 2023, in order to develop our presence in preparation for elections in 2024 and 2026.

Admin costs

This includes software subscriptions, postage, bank charges, the cost of member meetings and corporation tax.

Training

We expect to send members of campaign teams on training courses in 2023.

Fundraising

These are the costs of holding fundraising events.

Cash balance

As there was limited campaigning activity in 2021, we were able to build our cash balance, in order to fund the Wandsworth council campaign in 2022.

During 2023, we plan to add to our cash reserves, in preparation for elections in the following years.

Putney Development Fund 2023 Budget

The Putney Fund represents the residual amount left from the proceeds of the 2013 sale of the Putney Office, its aim is to "develop the membership, standing and electoral prospects of the Wandsworth Liberal Democrats in their wards lying within the Putney constituency; and in respect of the Putney constituency as a whole during general elections."

The current value of the fund is £41,633 and it forms part of the total funds of the local party. **The budget proposed for 2023 is £500 for social events, £1,000 for "Tower Block mailshots" and £1,900 for training**. This budget is just for Putney and it has been approved by the Putney Fund Supervisory Board.

Independent examination of accounts

We are asking the AGM to appoint an independent examiner of accounts, as required by our constitution. The examiner will report to members on the 2022 accounts.

Duncan Lyons FCA Treasurer, Wandsworth Liberal Democrats 19th November 2022