



Honorary Treasurer's Report

- we ended the year with a small (£85) financial surplus.
- the major expenditure was for the cat show early in the year, as expected.
- Tonkinews and other print and postage costs are our other big activity, again - as we should expect.
- last years rule changes have been helpful, in terms of expediting quicker payments whilst still handling sign-off and review of expenditure receipts by email.
- we are still paying too much in fees, including approximately £60 on one account with zero transactions. I am of the view we should simply close that account, but I am not sure how HSBC link the three accounts, so need to check what will be the best option for us. I plan to either visit a branch or speak with an advisor by phone, this month (April 2023). We need to be sure we are not just maintaining the old structure for the sake of it
- furthermore, last years intention to look at moving to another bank has not yet been implemented. This was further delayed by illness for me last autumn. I will be interested in hearing back from anyone with information on where we could achieve low/no cost community banking, and will include a trip to the Post Office to see what they can do. We should reset a date for action on this and I propose end Jun 2023.
- not all of the fee for the website is actually 2022 ; some of it was incurred in 2021 but not paid out until 2022 - so we could expect that figure to reduce slightly in future years.
- overall, we have reasonably good funding and are in a comfortable position for clubs of this kind.

