

## **East Cheshire Ramblers Group (ECR): Treasurer's Report for the year 2020/2021**

### **Overview**

This financial year has a very similar backstory to the previous year due to the majority of the year being subjected to various Covid 19 restrictions adversely impacting the Group's ability to continue with our usual pre planned programme of walks and social events.

Overall the annual return shows that we had a surplus of £1222.25 for the year with our closing bank balance standing at £7432.64 which is up on last year's figure of £6210.39. We are still in that robust financial position which will ensure that, now we are out of Covid restrictions, we can finally move ahead with several outstanding footpath initiatives.

### **Performance**

Our funding receipts for the year amounted to £3000.00 (it should have been £6000.00 for the whole year but once again ECR voluntarily suspended Q3 and Q4 receipts at the half year).

No donations from Ramblers Holidays were received during the year again due to travel restrictions being in place for most of the period.

There was an overall deficit of £50.20 shown in our cumulative self funded socials which we will cover from our restricted fund surplus.

In addition there is a surplus of £235.09 generated from donations received from ECR members towards the Alan Catherall memorial fund. The final destination of this surplus will be decided following discussions with the ECR Committee and Lynda Catherall.

### **Footpaths**

The Footpath Projects team has been re-energised under Brian Richardson and to date has carried out over £1200.00 of work in the past 3 months.

### **Budget for 2021/2022**

Our budget application for £1600.00 has now been approved and the Q1 payment has been received.

### **Thanks**

Thanks as always to those members who have organised our self funded activities and diligently fed me with all the necessary financial information in a timely manner to allow the accounts to be kept in order.

Thanks also to Ken Hobbs for continuing to provide welcome and timely financial guidance throughout the year and for Independently Examining these accounts.

*Colin Finlayson Honorary Treasurer*

