

2019/2020 Financial Report Wellington CC

An extraordinary financial year where we have been able to achieve some of our investment plans for 2020 thanks to our small cash reserve and grants.

Our plans for 2020 were to invest in a new 3 lane Net system, improve the bar facilities and purchase a large mower to help our groundsman with the preparation of our square.

Regretfully in March due to COVID-19 and after we had successfully applied for planning permission Viridor declined and withdrew their £90k grant. West of England Premier Cricket League also put on hold until 2021 payment of the agreed £1500 Mower grant.

Income Summary

During spring it looked as if there would be no cricket with no bar income, no membership income and no sponsorship income. I applied to Sport England for a £1300 grant to cover our fixed costs and rent for March to July – they agreed a £1000. We have also received other grant support.

In March our late President Duncan Short wrote to all our Vice Presidents and Sponsors and we received a very generous donation from a VP who wishes to remain anonymous as well as donations from some VPs and sponsors – Duncan leaves a large whole in our club and he will be missed.

July saw the start of cricket and with Amanda's hard work the bar opened and a reduced player's membership fee was agreed for the shortened season.

Spending Summary

The committee decided to move forward with our investment plans and we have purchased a new mower, a cooler system for the cellar as well as an Ice machine and glass washer for the bar.

Substantial funds have also been invested on the square in the autumn with our groundsmen putting in many hours of work to continue improving the quality of our cricket pitch and ultimately cricket at Wellington Cricket Club.

Looking forward to 2021

Financially we do not know where we will be in 2021. I don't believe there will be any further Grants or COVID support so in 2021 we will need to stand on our own two feet and cover our fixed costs, overheads and investment plans for 2021.

Wellington Reds Football Club has been successfully set up with the aim to retain team spirit, expand our membership and open the bar throughout the winter period which will help cover our ongoing fixed monthly costs.

Thanks to some prudent cash management in 2019 and 2020 we still have a small cash reserve.

However in these uncertain times we will need to be very careful as to how we spend our funds in 2021.

Trevor Brooks,

Wellington CC, Treasurer