



**Cambrian
Community
Centre**

Richmond Upon Thames

*Supporting health
and community
- for 25 years!*



Annual General Meeting

Saturday 28th November 2015, 4.00pm at the Cambrian Centre

Agenda

Welcome and Introduction of Trustees

The Past Year

Overview

Manager's report

Gym report

Financial overview

The Cambrian Centre Friends

Presentations and Thanks

Guest Speaker – Jonathan Monkton (Director of RPLC)

will lead a discussion on

“The Cambrian Centre in 21st Century Richmond”

Followed by an Informal Celebration at the end of the
Cambrian Centre's 25th Anniversary Year

Overview of the Past Year

In addition to communication via our website, and regular newsletters to a mailing list of around four hundred members, the annual meeting presents us with an important opportunity to meet with Centre users and hear your views directly. It is also an opportunity to talk about the past year and highlight future plans and concerns.

To begin on a sad note, the sudden death in January of **Andy Naylor-Vane**, a loved member of the gym staff since May 2005, was a devastating blow. He is much missed by his Centre friends and colleagues, and all who knew and were helped by him. We are very grateful to **Bruno Goncalves** who stepped in at a very difficult time and has now joined the gym staff.



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Events

In Autumn 2014 the Cambrian Centre's 25th Anniversary Year was launched at an event covered in last year's report. In addition, there have been a number of fund-raising events during the past year.

Supper Quiz

This was a great financial and social success, and is set to become an annual event. It was organised on 14th March by the Cambrian Centre Friends to whom we are very grateful as always for their fund-raising efforts on the Centre's behalf. The next quiz is planned for March 5th 2016. This year's quiz was completely sold out with a waiting list, so put this date in your diary now!

Richmond May Fair

This hardy perennial always makes a useful sum as well as raising our profile in the local community.

Sponsored Walk

A large Centre team took part in the Kew Rotary Ramble in May, and raised over £3,500. Our thanks go to **Vicki Eames** of our gym staff, for organising this enjoyable event.

Activities Programme

As usual, we say thank you to our **Manager, Mary McDonald**, who has overseen another

year of steady growth in Centre activities,

and we are approaching capacity as far as room hire is concerned. A listing of all Centre activities can be found on our website. Two on display today are the Drawing Class and Singing for Fun, featuring video taken at the choir's recent performance at Hampton Court.

Weekly IT Support Sessions

More than 35 people, many returning each week, have been helped by a small team of volunteers to learn how use tablets and smart phones; set up email; internet shop and even job hunt.



Our Rotary Walk Team

Breakfast Club

This long-awaited club started in September.

Centre Refurbishment

This is complete. The new kitchen is working well and we now have unisex toilet facilities!

Thanks

There are, as always, a number of people we wish to thank for their support. In particular, **Janet Alissi** has been an instructor in the gym from its very beginning. This amounts to a quarter century of service, and we offer Janet our sincere congratulations and many thanks.



IT Support in action!

Donations

We are very grateful to the **Rotary Club of Kew Gardens** for a grant of £2,000 towards the purchase of an arm ergometer for the gym. Formal acknowledgement of this generous award will take place early next year.

L&Q Housing Trust gave us £880 in recognition of our 25th Anniversary, for which many thanks.

John Grist (a gym user for many years) has given the Centre £500 on behalf of himself and his wife Jill, who died last September. Jill was a great friend to the Centre. We are very touched and grateful for this act of generosity.

Grateful thanks also to **Professor Ian and Tina Bruce** for their gift of £250.

In addition, there were a number of generous anonymous donations.

We thank you all.

Looking Forward

At the end of this 25th Anniversary Year we look to the next phase of the Cambrian Centre's existence.

Next year the Centre's lease is up for renewal and, as we start to think in earnest about strategies for the future and our priorities, there are a number of unknowns. This summer

RPLC launched the Queen's Road Estate Consultation in advance of their plans for the redevelopment of their properties on this site – i.e. Dickson House, the Recreation Area, Caplan Court and the Cambrian Community Centre.

With this in mind, we are very grateful to RPLC's Director, **Jonathan Monckton**, for agreeing to address this annual meeting and respond to questions and comments on the issues involved, particularly in reference to the future role and function of the Cambrian Community Centre in an ever-changing social environment.

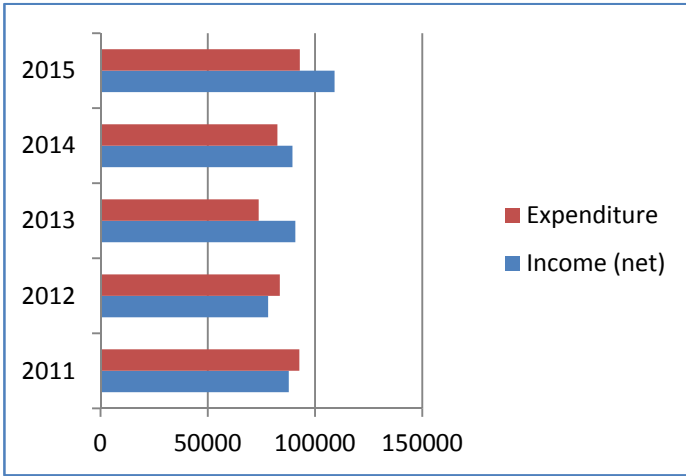
Finally, as always, the Cambrian Community Centre Staff and Trustees thank everyone for their past and continuing support. We always need and look forward to welcoming additional helpers and volunteers. More information about this and much else can be found on our web site or by contacting the Centre.



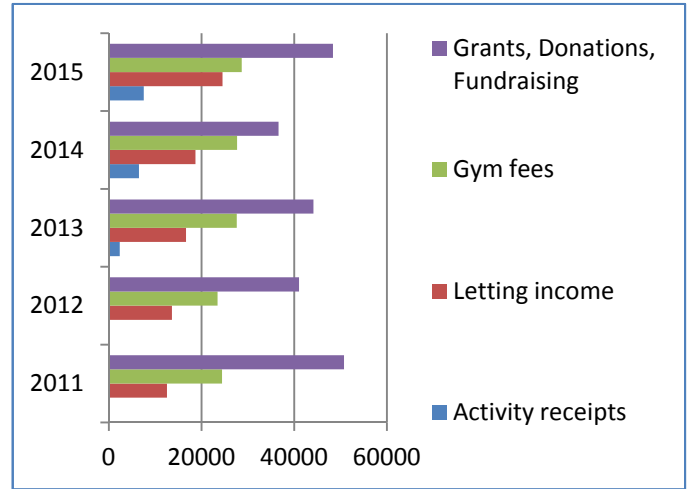
Singing Group Christmas Concert

Financial Summary

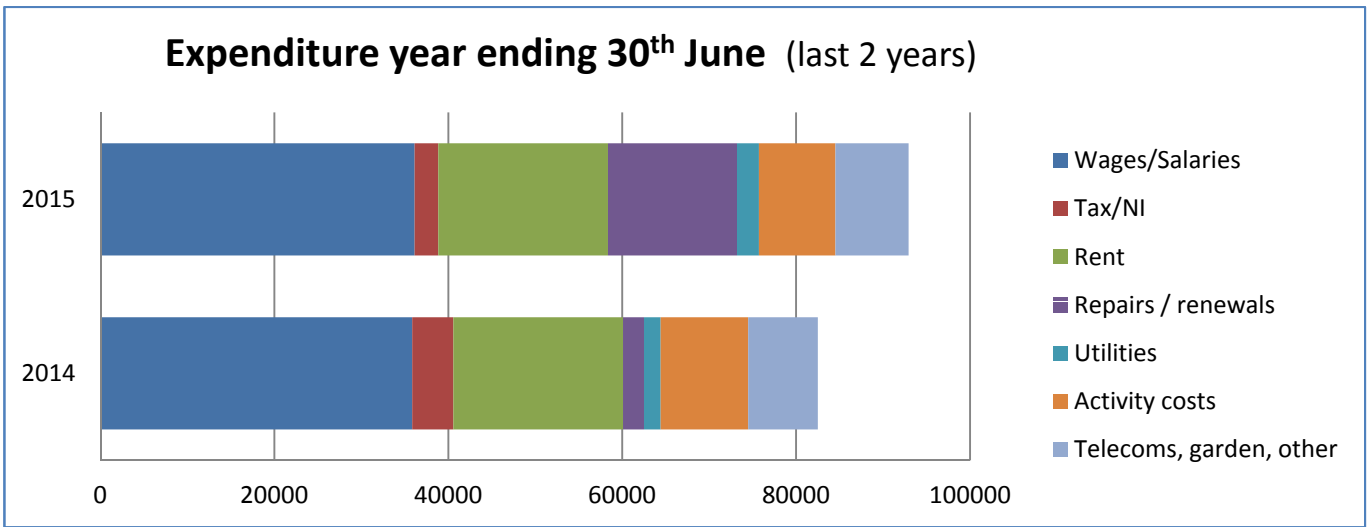
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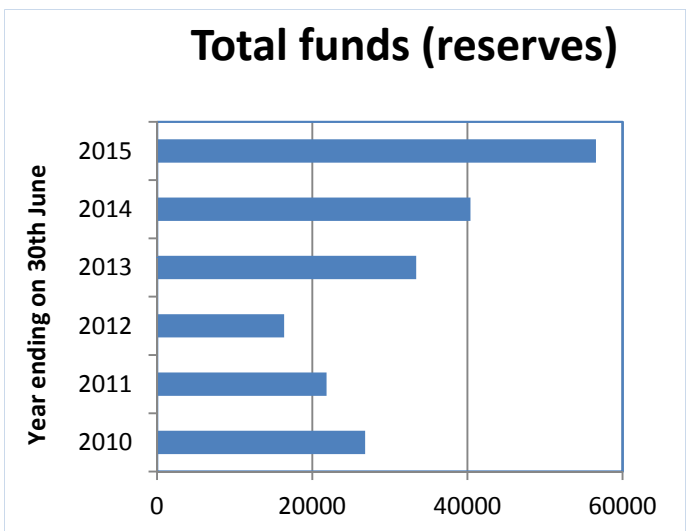
Source of our income



Expenditure year ending 30th June (last 2 years)



Total funds (reserves)



Fundraising and Donations

