



# FRIENDS OF DENTON GARDENS

## **AGM Financial Statement**

**23rd March 2024**

**By John-Paul Rowe, Treasurer, Friends of Denton Gardens.**

### **Financial Year Ending 23rd March 2024.**

We have had a great financial year and I have a number of items I'd like to highlight.

**From our Community Infrastructure Levy Neighbourhood Fund (CIL) from 2022** we purchased two new benches and new plants for the pergola project costing £2,900 and £1,303 respectively. This leaves £302.04 - which we intend to spend on more plants for the beds surrounding the sunken garden.

The CIL Neighbourhood Fund money is not provided in one lump sum into our bank account. We have to provide the council with an invoice from the supplier, which specifies the amount and what it's for, and only then they transfer the money to our bank account. We then pay the supplier by **cheque** - Metro Bank doesn't let a community group loose on internet banking. So, the process is a bit slow and cumbersome but we are very grateful for the money nonetheless.

However, we have some great news...

### **We have new funding for 2024 from two sources:**

**1. CIL Neighbourhood Fund** - we were successful in our application for another slice of money to complete the planting in the beds surrounding the sunken garden. We did agree to partly fund this ourselves to the tune of £500. The CIL money totals £3500.

**2. Rampion Grant / Sussex Community Foundation** - We were successful in our application to receive £3,700. This enables us to plant the western woodland border with new plants. Details of this planting was made public by means of a public consultation and subsequently a plan of the types of plants to improve this part of the gardens. If you have any questions, we would be delighted to answer them.

We started the financial year with a bank balance of **£189.14**.

### Money raised

Plant sale raised £78

Sponsored swim by a local resident raised £285

### We received donations

Denton Gardens Mini-Golf donated £100

£415 to buy a pair of strawberry trees.

Donations throughout the year totalling £140.

I would like to thank everyone who raised funds or donated to the Gardens

	<b>FINANCIAL YEAR 22/23/24 - Starting the year with £189.14</b>	Money in	Money out
04/11/2022	Invoice 00004 CIL Funding	£ 1,803.02	
10/11/2022	Cheque 800007 to WBC Deposit for Benches		£ (500.00)
10/11/2022	Cheque 800006 to Mrs Trug for plants Phase 2		£ (1,303.02)
24/01/2023	Donations from the Website (2 x £10) via PayPal	£ 20.00	
15/02/2023	Sponsored Swim paid in Cash	£ 285.00	
07/03/2023	From Paypal. Donations for Sponsored swim £68.23 and other donations 2 x £10 (Jan, Feb)	£ 88.23	
21/04/2023	Cheque 800008 Web domain renewal Apr 21, 2023, (\$15.16) £12.50 also Wilco Hose attachment £3.22 - Paid to JP Rowe - TOTAL £15.72		£ (15.72)
17/06/2023	Donations (3 x £10) via PayPal	£ 30.00	
18/08/2023	Rampion Funding to fund the Western Woodland Border replanting scheme	£ 3,700.00	
24/08/2023	Donations (2 x £10) via PayPal	£ 20.00	
01/09/2023	Plant Sale in Denton Gardens (Nadine)	£ 28.00	
25/08/2023	Plant Sale in Beach House Grounds (Louise)	£ 5.00	
25/08/2023	Plant Sale E Skiggs	£ 3.00	
25/08/2023	Plant Sale Nadine Barber	£ 10.00	
30/08/2023	Plant Sale Mr Sandell	£ 2.00	
31/08/2023	Plant Sale K Waran	£ 10.00	

29/09/2023	Paid in from CIL (Benches for the Pergola)	£ 2,400.00	
06/10/2023	Cheque 800009 Worthing Borough Council Finance (Benches for the Pergola)		£ (2,400.00)
08/01/2023	Paid in from a local resident to finance the planting of two trees	£ 415.00	
19/01/2023	Cheque 800010 Paid out to Barchams Trees		£ (412.80)
20/01/2024	Paid in from donations on Paypal (Anthony Pope Mini golf £100 and other donations £60)	£ 160.00	
02/03/2024	Cheque 800011 to Quercus for Woodland Plants (Rampion Funding)		£ (802.32)
06/10/2023	Cheque 800012 To JP Rowe for web domain renewal for the website		£ (15.72)
17/03/2024	Paid in Donation from Paypal	£ 10.00	

**We ended the year with a bank balance of £3,718.81**

Of that balance, £2,897.68 is the Rampion/Sussex Community Foundation grant to spend on the western border. £500 of the remaining balance will be spent (together with the CIL funding) on the beds surrounding the sunken garden as mentioned above.

This leaves Friends of Denton Gardens with a total of **£321.13**

**That it from me for another year. I will publish this document on the website which lists our financial transactions throughout the last financial period.**

Thank you for listening.

*John-Paul*

Treasurer, Friends of Denton Gardens

I would like to hand you back to the Chair.