

## **Trustees Annual Report in Brief**

The Trustees will present a full annual report and accounts for our third year at the AGM on 14 March 2019; but a brief outline is set out here:

Although the Council decided to name Carnegie Community Trust as 'preferred bidder' for asset transfer, it has never been clear what the Trust's plans are. Having seen the sketch plan they published in January 2018, we offered to revise and update our plan; but a senior Lambeth officer said it would not be appropriate to comment.

Nevertheless, we have been working on a revision, which we continue to update in light of developments. We are still prepared to work with Lambeth if the Trust pulls out or negotiations with them break down. We have already seen two of their trustees resign, citing Lambeth's actions installing a gym which will not pay rent, thus rendering their plan unworkable. Our plan is flexible enough to work with or without a gym.

We have continued to liaise with members of the Carnegie Library Users Consultative Group. With the exception of Wiggle & Rhyme, none of the other groups have been able to return, and it is clear some never will.

We began the year with £560.07 carried over from 2017. We did not apply for any grants or receive any other payments in 2018, so Income was Nil. Expenditure to 31 December was also Nil, leaving a balance of £560.07.

As required by our Constitution, one third of the trustees in rotation, Hazel Watson, Frances Alderson and Danny Friedman retire at the AGM; but all three are willing to stand again. Nicholas Edwards, Stephen Carlill, Jeffrey Doorn and Robert Goodrick are continuing trustees. Sadly, Katie Angermeir has resigned with effect from January 2019 as she and her family are relocating to America. If any members are interested in becoming trustees, please get in touch to discuss what is involved, either by ringing me on 020 7274 7008 or via [claciomember@gmail.com](mailto:claciomember@gmail.com).

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