

# Ptarmigan Hillwalking & Mountaineering Club - AGM 2020

## Treasurer's report

The club's bank account finished the year with a balance of £1968 an increase of £847 on the start of the year. However, in this unusual year, the club has incurred some liabilities,. Firstly to the members of the postponed June weekend trip, and secondly due to Mountaineering Scotland fees, which were settled temporarily from a personal account to avoid unnecessary contact with cheque co-signers. When these are taken into account the club has net assets of £975, a decrease of £168 on the end of last year. Membership subscriptions were down significantly on the previous year, with a decline in paid-up members from 61 to 44. I hope and expect that this is merely a temporary response to our suspension and may correct itself when the club is functioning once more.

Given our circumstances I would like to propose a reduced subscription for 20/21 of at £15 (£30 for couples, £15 for those who are already members of MoS, £10 for associate non-walking members). This amount serves to (roughly) cover our MoS subscription per member, and is intended as a gesture of appreciation to those who have stayed with the club. Should members wish to delay payment until the prospects of resumption are more certain, I would understand . There is some doubt about on-going future coach costs since there is currently little point in asking for a quote. Nor is there clarity on how many passengers might be allowed. I am therefore unable to propose fares for 20/21.

Some aspects of our trips are likely to change, and the one particularly relevant to me is the issue of cash. A move to payment by bank transfer would make the business of collecting fares much easier, and safer. I am aware that this may not suit all members and suggestions would be welcome.

I am only able to present on a provisional basis since I am missing three bank statements. As soon as I have the relevant information, I shall make any corrections, which are unlikely to be material. I suspect this might not be until January.

In conclusion, our club's finances are relatively stable given the crisis around us. Since our fixed costs are low the club can hibernate for a considerable length of time. When we are able to function once more I hope that all of our members will seek to make up for opportunities missed.

I would welcome any comments or questions. My e-mail is [adrian@adriancasey.co.uk](mailto:adrian@adriancasey.co.uk).

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