

Enfield Branch LG Unison

Treasurer's Report 2020

As a result of the pandemic in 2020 branch and financial year results are not typical of the normal pattern of activities due to various restrictions on movement and lockdowns. The movement towards an increased focus on local activities campaigning and recruitment has continued from last year as best we could.

The On-Line Branch Accounting System (OLBA) is the accounting system used by all of the Unison Branch Treasurers.

During 2020 we have seen some changes to our normal expenditure pattern i.e. no conference expenses is a major one and the fact we needed to equip for remote working of the branch.

Our national funding has increased slightly in part due to payment of adjustments related to 2019 but we have been affected by a reduction in the number of members. This year the branch has managed to produce a surplus £13,178.70 largely on reduced spending in some areas brought on by the pandemic. This surplus will help mitigate some of the branch deficits of recent years. We spent £2,239.20 on 4 laptops which are shown as assets less depreciation at a rate set by OLBA which applies to all these type of assets. These were used for remote working and will be able to be used by the branch in the future.

The creditors are greatly reduced as the bills from LBE were received and paid in 2020.

The Branch continues to support individual budget holders to control their expenditure. The branch has lived within it's budgets largely due to the reductions in normal activities.

The rent shown in the accounts is for the hire of sea container at Northweald Airfield used for storage of old records.

In conclusion, the Branch has managed to meet all of its expenses and has been able to provide the best service it can within the present restricted circumstances.

Looking forward to 2021 we hope we are soon to move back steadily towards a more normal pattern of work and life as the vaccine helps contain the virus. In saying this we also recognize that amongst our members some may have had to deal with the difficult experiences caused by the loss of family members and friends due to the virus or the visiting restrictions to control the spread.

Thanks again to the Branch Auditors, Dave Bulger and Dave Carter for assisting in closing the 2020 accounts.



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