Spring Grove Fringe Report of the Trustees – year ending 30th September 2017

Charity details

Name Spring Grove Fringe

Number 1150982

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Trustees Gavin Chaplin

Helen Dawson Nigel Duffin

Sandra Gavshon (Chair)

Daisy Jones Jenny Robson

Amanda Shaw (Secretary)
Tony Tresigne (Treasurer)

Structure, Governance, Management The group is governed and regulated by the Constitution adopted by the members on 10th October 2012 and amended on 20th February 2013. Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting, in accordance with the constitution.

Objectives and activities

Our objects are to promote the advancement and improvement of general education in relation to all aspects of the art of drama and the development of public appreciation of the art; to make such grants and donations for such purposes as are charitable according to the laws of England and Wales as the trustees in their absolute discretion shall think fit.

Spring Grove Fringe is a community drama group that aims to promote understanding of and participation in theatre, and to make donations to other local or national charities.

In planning the year's activities the trustees have kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements

2016/2017 has been another successful year for the Spring Grove Fringe. There were three productions, as follows:

High Notes, in November, with two one-act comedies – *Press Cuttings*, by George Bernard Shaw and II Fornicazione, by Michael Green.

The annual pantomime, **Snow White**, in February.

The Fashion Statement, a revue with prose, poetry, dance and music, in May.

We had capacity audiences and donations were made to charities, as reported below. New active members have been welcomed and we remain an inclusive and community based group open to all. In the annual pantomime particularly, we welcome local children and young people.

The storage at Chertsey, which had been provided through Centric Community Projects, became unavailable in May and a decision was taken to rent a garage in Surbiton for storage of costumes and props.

Financial Review

At the end of the financial year cash held in the bank was £690, all of which is unrestricted funds.

Reserves are held to cover hall rental and unforeseen expenditure such as repairs. We aim to keep between £800 and £1200 in reserves at the year end.

Following our productions, donations were made as follows: £500 to Macmillan Nurses

£200 to The Clink

£200 to Love Kingston

£450 for repairs to the stage at the Parish Hall

£150 to replenish crockery, which is available to all hall users

Approved by the trustees on 28 September 2017 and signed on their behalf by

Sandy Gavshon (Chair)

Amanda Shaw (Secretary)