

Huddersfield Society For The Blind Secretary's Annual Report

1st April 2019 – 31st March 2020

Following our usual trip to Millstones in March 2020, and Covid-19 restrictions we were unable to hold our Annual AGM. in July 2020.

Also due to Covid-19 restrictions, lockdown and transport restrictions, the Society was not able to hold any socials, OR take members on day trips, for the remainder of the year. But we have been telephoning all our members each month to make sure they are keeping well and safe, also asking if they need any help.

We live in hope that in 2021 the Virus Vaccine will make all the difference and we can all meet again. Members tell us that they CAN NOT wait to meet their friends.

Visiting Service

Sadly we are no longer in a position to provide a visiting service. However we have operated a telephone contact service for our members.

We extend our thanks to all volunteers, helpers and escorts for their continued care and support. The Society is fortunate to have a very committed group of people who give their time freely and work hard to enhance the lives of our Blind and Partially Sighted members.

Chairman's Remarks

I wish to extend my thanks to the Trustees and volunteers for their continued commitment and support throughout the last financial year. I would also like to offer sincere thanks to Mr. Chris Taylor, Honorary Solicitor and Mrs. Sarah Crawford, Riley and Co., Accountants for their invaluable help and advice. I would also like to thank our local Free Mason's Society for their offer to Fundraise for the society which due to Covid-19 is at the moment on hold. I am pleased to report that the Society remains in a financially stable position, we have plans for more Fund Raising.

Sidney Jones
Chairman

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Unfortunately towards the end of the society's financial year the Corona Virus, together with lockdown as from the 24th March has meant that in 2020 we have been unable to continue holding socials or taking members on trips out. But the Trustees, volunteers and the members are determined to meet again, hopefully for our Annual Christmas Party in December, or in January 2021. All members have received a telephone call from the trustees to make sure they are well, also to ask if they need any help.

Susan Beaumont

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