**Notes to 2021 accounts**

2021 was the second of two atypical years, due to Covid. However, the comparison between 2021 and 2020 are like for like.

* The 2021 accounts have been independently examined.
* Income increased from £57,631 in 2020, to £98,964 in 2021, due to much-appreciated donations. This included amounts of £25,000, £35,000 and £10,000, with a wish for the money to be spent on specific projects or types of improvement, as well as many other donations from generous members.
* Event income and costs increased, year on year, although low compared to pre-Covid years. We were unable to run most of our Orangery events, but did run tours and pop-up stalls with associated income and costs.
* Cost of merchandise, at £1,765, increased due to payment for Holland Park honey, which we re-sold at a profit.
* Grants to the park, at £30,535, were up from £21,378 which was pleasing giving the restrictions of Covid.
* Governance costs were lower than in 2020, as a decision was made not to use an external voting service for the AGM.
* The Gift Aid refund for 2021 was £2,732. Many of the larger donations were from trusts and not eligible for Gift Aid.
* Net income was £54,020, v £21,380 in 2020. This is due to grant spend delayed until the first quarter of 2022.
* Total funds carried forward stood at £207,433.