

Sarratt Local History Society

Treasurer's Report on the year ended 30 November 2025

2025 has been a good year for your Society, and we have continued to rebuild our reserves following Covid. This allows us to consider projects such as the digitisation of scrapbooks 3 and 4. We understand that we have been fortunate enough to receive a grant from the Sarratt Parish Council, but at this the date of this report we don't know for what amount. We hope that in conjunction with our own reserves it will be sufficient to start the digitisation process.

We are distributing the financial statements by email and are not providing hard copies at the AGM to save costs (and the environment), but if you would like a printed copy, please contact me.

We showed a healthy surplus of £680 for the year. It flatters us slightly, as about £150 of costs for the website and hall hire fell into 2026 as a consequence of timing, but overall it was a good result. We invested in some new display boards (which we count as Stationery) this year, which you may have seen in use in our displays at the Horti. This was offset by three things: firstly we scaled back a little on our refreshments at the Pam Turner memorial, secondly we had great visitor revenues, notably 44 visitors for the Sarratt Bottom talk (so many thanks to all the Bottomers who contributed to that), and finally we received a very kind £100 donation – I'd like to publicly thank that person here – thank you.

We have again held our subscriptions at £12 (and our visitors charges at £4). They fall due for payment at the AGM. With five or six talks a year, this makes membership a good value proposition we think. In 2025 we had 110 members, slightly up from 108 in 2024. We would like to keep growing as a Society, particularly in our 30th anniversary year, so please do encourage other family and friends to join.

Jonathan Holmes, 9 January 2026

Review of the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 November 2025

Jackie Youell ACA has kindly agreed to review the Society's financial statements for 2025 and I anticipate that by the time of the AGM she will have confirmed that in her opinion they are in accordance with the books and records of the Society and other information and explanations received. I will provide a verbal update on this at the AGM itself.

A note on your data

Sarratt Local History Society is a data controller for the purposes of UK GDPR, and holds the following information about you: your name, your address, your telephone number and your email address (where available). We also have a record of when you paid your subs. We collect your data when you give it to us directly, normally in the context of becoming a member or renewing your membership. By providing your data to us you consent to us processing it for the purposes of communicating with you and managing your membership of the Society. We keep your information for up to five years (so that at the end of any given year we can send you notice of the AGM and encourage you to re-join for the coming year). However, you can request at any time (by writing to the Treasurer) that we delete your data and don't communicate with you again. We keep your data secure and confidential and, when stored electronically, your data is held in appropriately protected data files. Our policy is that we only use your data to contact you in relation to SLHS matters. We never share your data.

SARRATT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY								
Financial Statement for the year ended			<i>Comparable</i>	<i>Comparable</i>				
30 November 2025			2024 data	2023 data				
	£	£	£					
Balance at 1 December 2024	2,367.52		2,198.21	1,832.36				
Receipts								
<u>Subscriptions</u>								
Members @£12	1,320.00		1,256.73	1,160.00				
Visitors @£4	384.00		160.00	419.00				
	1,704.00		1,416.73	1,579.00				
<u>Sundry Other Income</u>								
Donations	101.00		35.00	17.00				
Refreshments	89.50		49.20	149.70				
Interest Income	12.47		14.12	-				
Total Receipts	1,906.97		1,515.05	1,745.70				
Expenditure								
<u>Printing, Postage and Stationery</u>	<u>476.80</u>		<u>258.76</u>	<u>20.00</u>				
<u>Meeting Expenses</u>								
Hire of Hall	381.65		368.10	396.43				
Speaker Expenses	200.00		175.00	180.00				
Refreshments	137.46		240.48	248.42				
	719.11		783.58	824.85				
<u>Bank Charges</u>	<u>28.38</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>				
<u>Donations made</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>100.00</u>	<u>-</u>				
<u>Auditor</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>35.00</u>	<u>35.00</u>				
<u>Website / Sarratt Scrapbook</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>168.40</u>	<u>500.00</u>				
Total Expenditure	1,224.29		1,345.74	1,379.85				
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	682.68		169.31	365.85				
Balance at 30 November 2025	3,050.20		2,367.52	2,198.21				