

SOCIETY FOR ACADEMIC PRIMARY CARE

TREASURER'S REPORT 2021

I am pleased to report that despite the challenging time the financial position of SAPC is much more healthy than a year ago.

As those of you who have read these reports before are well aware, our income relies on membership subscriptions and conference income. Due to the short notice cancellation of the 2020 ASM, we not only faced the loss of income from the 2020 meeting, but we also had some financial obligations from the cancelled ASM that had still to be met. We made the difficult decision to significantly cut our expenditure to the bare minimum for the past year. Whilst some of this was relatively straightforward (after all no-one was travelling and no meeting rooms needed to be booked!) some decisions were more difficult in terms of funding some of our Society's activities.

Alongside this we began a membership drive led by our Chair, Carolyn Chew-Graham and supported by the Chairs of HoTs and HoDs, Joe Rosenthal and Joanne Reeves. Further to this membership drive we are very grateful to organisers of SAPC SE and SW regional meetings and the Primary Care Mental Health conference organisers who encouraged membership by offering free attendance to SAPC members. We also thank SAPC North organisers who donated a share of the income to SAPC. I am delighted to report that membership subscriptions are significantly improved as a result of this and we are very grateful for the support of our current members and new members in achieving this.

In addition, we are extremely heartened by registrations to both regional meetings and this our national conference, demonstrating that we are indeed alive and kicking and in a very healthy state to continue our activities. We plan to restart many of our funded activities, but also to continue to benefit from less travel and meeting expenses in the future.

We want to aim to avoid relying on conference income which, as you are aware, can be very variable. Please help by continuing to support membership amongst your departments and colleagues. If there is anything, or any activities, which SAPC could support, that you think might encourage and retain membership do please let us know. We are in a position to 'pump-prime' projects and plans, which might also make joining SAPC more attractive will be very welcome.

We are open to suggestions from the membership for projects or proposals.

I continue to be greatly indebted to Sue Stewart for her invaluable support and day to day management of the society's finances.



Jo Protheroe, Treasurer SAPC

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