FERNHURST HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

The Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended 30 September 2026 has been included in the AGM papers. I am very grateful to Imke Sanderson for her diligent work examining the accounts.

I am pleased to report that the Society's finances are healthy. We ended the financial year 2025-26 with a profit of £548.54 and assets of £8,253.37: £3,710.15 in the HSBC current account and £4,543.22 in the Bath Building Society savings account. Our principal, guaranteed income for the year was £1,355.00 from membership subscriptions. The money from subscriptions covered what we spent on talks and workshops and the Spring and Autumn Shows. I have illustrated below that the collective income for these events came to £617.64 and expenditure - speakers' and judges' fees and gifts, Village Hall hire, cup engraving, printing costs and refreshment supplies - came to £1,755.98. Deducting the £617.64 income from the £1,755.98 expenditure, the cost was £1,138.34:

Talks and workshops

Income	£357.29	Expenditure	£526.15	£168.86

Spring Show

Income	£150.00	Expenditure	£341.89	£191.89

Autumn Show

Income	£110.35	Expenditure	£120.04	£ 9.69

Hall hire

		Expenditure	£767.90	£767.90
Income Total	**£617.64**	**Expenditure total**	**£1,755.98 - £ 617.64 =**	**£1,138.34**

We are pleased we have been able to keep subscription rates for 2027 at the same price they have been for several years: £10.00 for one person and £15.00 for two people at the same address.

Our very enjoyable annual Quiz was well supported by members. Expenditure was £985.08 and income £1,922.21, giving us profit of £937.13. From this, we donated £500 to Cancer Research, in loving memory of the two Committee members we sadly lost last year: Gill Green and Bob Pennington. We were also able to put £384.90 towards our new Village project, the GP Surgery Medicinal Garden. We received a grant of £102.98 from Fernhurst Parish Council for a water butt for the Garden. Thanks to the generosity of members' plant donations, the Revels Plant Stall raised £1,081.51. The expenditure, including the pitch fee, was £54.40, giving us a surplus of £1,027.11. The Quiz and the Revels contribute welcome, additional revenue to subsidise our other costs for the year: RHS membership, subscriptions to the Hampshire Federation of Horticultural Societies and Surrey Horticultural Society; insurance; bank charges; website; membermojo membership payment system; administration; sundries and AGM expenses. Advertising income of £380.00 offset the £469.00 cost of printing the Programme and Schedule.

I will be happy to answer any members' questions about the annual accounts at the AGM.

Penny Sydenham
Honorary Treasurer
8 November 2026