

ACLI Finance Summary Report for 2020-21

Here are the independently audited figures for the 2020-21 financial year. Any minor differences will be due to rounding.

INCOME	2020-21	2019-20
Grants Received	18,435	1,948
Pony/Allotment Rents	2,452	1,814
Fundraising & Produce Sales	92	241
Other Income (Donations etc.)	701	677
Total Income	21,680	4,679

Expenditure - Direct	2020-21	2019-20
Wages - Direct	0	24
Sub Contractors	4,937	7,648
Growing Areas	1,721	0
Water Management	1,850	0
Seeds and Tools	3,515	1,547
Fencing	3,173	0
Paths	522	228
Total Direct Expenditure	16,927	9,447

Expenditure - Admin & Overheads	2020-21	2019-20
Admin (website, audit etc.)	217	92
Advertising	0	191
Insurance	857	821
SAC Membership	688	189
Total Admin & Overhead Expenditure	1,762	1,292

SUMMARY	2020-21	2019-20
Total Income	21,680	4,679
Total Expenditure	18,689	10,739
Surplus/Deficit for year	2,991	-6,060
Opening Balance	6,203	12,263
Add surplus for year	2,991	-6,060
Balance Carried Forward	9,193	6,203

Three covid-recovery grants received:

- £2000 from CORRA, a community wellbeing fund for the expansion of community horticulture space
 - £3,640 also from CORRA, for Exercise and Wellbeing through the maintenance of existing community garden and path network
 - £8,640 from the National Lottery for General Land stewardship (track, fencing, ditch and fencing upgrade)
 - Increase in take-up of both field rent and allotment rental, enabled by improved fencing and drainage spend, and allowing us to be more financially sustainable in the longer-term.
 - Public events, and therefore fundraising, adversely affected by COVID.
 - Produce sales income decreased – produce instead donated via the box scheme in partnership with Arran Social Work, providing fresh produce to those in need.
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- Significant grant income allowed strategic investment in areas that had been either previously highlighted or in early stages, most notably; work to run open sessions for volunteers and those who benefited from the social and mental health aspects of community gardening; school sessions; improving income sustainability and developing the wider land.
 - Sub-contractors breakdown: £3,608 running Volunteer sessions, £503 Education, £826 Field maintenance
 - Used grant income to improve Drainage & Growing Areas, plus invested in Seeds & Tools in order to increase food production and facilitate educational sessions.
 - Large fencing investment to allow grazing/horses; beginning of path, boardwalk & access project.
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- Membership of the SAC (Scotland Agricultural College), allows us access to farming support, advice and grants.
 - Increased insurance provision allows our educational activities to be covered.
 - Decreased advertising due to fewer public events.
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Last year, our strategy was to apply for targeted grants which closely align with our goals, rather than seek grants and then tailor activities to match.

After years of development at the hub, allotments and community garden, our activities this year have begun to manage the wider land. Although we were lucky enough to be able to develop accessible and inclusive growing areas as part of our COVID response, we also have to be mindful of the needs of the land as a whole, of which the hub area is just a fraction. We hope to continue this in the coming years.