

**Agenda No. 9**

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**Report to Saltash Town Council: July 5 2018**

Directors have not met since my last report to you. So there is little news. We are meeting the night before your meeting this week, so I shall be able to report verbally to you on any key points.

**Volunteers** We held a Hog Roast last Friday to thank volunteers and volunteer drivers for their efforts on behalf of the community. It was well attended, helped by three Hopper trips. Two of the people who helped create Saltash Gateway CIC nearly twelve years ago were present, former councillors Joe Ellison and Bob Austin. Bob has been a Director ever since (as well as Steve Tait).

**Finances** Our financial year ended on 31 May, and we are now looking at our outturn figures. We made a small surplus on the year, despite the losses on the Derriford service which were mostly covered by grant aid from Cornwall Council, s106 and other bodies. We spent a great deal on improvements at 18 Belle Vue Road, mainly gutters, windows and floors. Rental income from Belle Vue, and Hopper trips, contributed most income. We have some reserves held against future risks.

Directors have excellent support from Budd's Bookkeeping in Saltash in keeping abreast of finances. Our accountants, Blackwell Bate, will shortly be preparing our Accounts for Companies House.

**Scrapstore** We are pleased that this proposed project was supported by the Council and the s106 Panel. We have looked at two options for basing it in Fore Street: (1) as part of our use of number 4, but there is nowhere near enough space; and (2) by taking on an unoccupied shop, but the running costs would be prohibitive.

Directors will be reconsidering the project this week, and we still hope that Scrapstore could be based in the Belle Vue West car park, given the refurbishment of the old toilet block.

**Peter Thistlethwaite**

**Chair**

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