

CONGLETON CONSTITUENCY LIBERAL DEMOCRATS

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

1 JANUARY 2015 TO 31 DECEMBER 2015

Principle address of national party

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Income and expenditure accounts 1 Jan 2015 to 31 December 2015
(Figures in first column refer to year 2014.)

<u>INCOME</u>	2014	2015 DONATIONS
Congleton Liberal Trust	nil	£20,388.32 (8 th July)
		£10,000 (8 th may)
		£1.200 (12 Aug)
standing orders	nil	nil
100 Club(for general election)	£250	nil
Donation from members	nil	£4,147
	<u>Total donations</u>	<u>£36,012.82</u>

(a) This includes a contribution (Paying in slip [REDACTED]) of £277.50

(b) The total also includes £ 1,500 from Congleton Branch and £1,207 from Alsager branch. This money was provided from Cheshire East Liberal Democrats councillors group for local elections. Congleton branch donated the £1,500 to constituency. Alsager produced and part paid for a focus and returned surplus to Constituency.

FUND RAISING

Annual Dinner (net profit)	£260	nil
Christmas lottery	nil	nil
Congleton quiz	£10.00	nil
	<u>Fund raising</u>	<u>Nil</u>

LOANS

Loans were made by individual members. A list is available

Total Loans **£12,300.47**

Loans were repaid within the year and classed as expenditure. A list is available

Loan from M. Hollinshead was repaid by the trust and treated as donation.

	2014	2015
OTHER INCOME		
Membership	137	£687.61
Repayment from election agent		£2,279.55
Repayment from political advisor (overpaid previous year)		£122.92
<u>Total from "other income"</u>		<u>£3,090.08</u>

TOTAL INCOME CONSTITUENCY	Produced from statements	<u>£51,399.16</u>
	From accounts breakdown	<u>£51,402.82</u>
	adjustment	£3.66

	2014	2015
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
SERVICES		
Political consultant	3076.01	9387.33
Auditor	nil	nil
OFFICE EXPENSES		
Prater Raines (website)	244.80	244.80
Connect	nil	175
Meetings	nil	nil
European election	1096.00	nil
General election (to agent)	nil	£16,150.00
To leaflets and distribution		£8,925.47
Repay loans		£14,030.47
CAMPAIGNING		
By-election support (Congleton)	250.00	870

	2014	2015
BANK CHARGES	nil	£70 (Fine)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR CONSTITUENCY PARTY		
	£4,666.81	<u>£50,006.79</u>

CONSTITUENCY PROFIT/(LOSS) ON YEAR

(2581) using bank statements £1,392.37

BALANCES

	<u>Opening balance</u>	<u>Closing balance</u>
	1 st Jan 2015	1 st Jan 2016
Natwest	<u>£10,733.87</u>	
profit on year	£1,392.37	
		<u>£12,126.24</u>

Constituency balance carried over to 2016/7 is £12,126.24. This is all held in a current account at [REDACTED] bank.

Closing balances in branches (Congleton and Alsager) is

	£1,823.59	£1,218.41
Grand Total of reserves in branches and constituency)		£13,344.65

Treasurers Notes.

1. The accounts have been produced using bank statements, cheque stubs and paying in books.
2. They have been complicated by the two stage election campaign.

3. Problems with the Trust and their banking arrangements meant that the campaign was supported by loans. These were repaid once money from the Congleton Liberal Trust was received. A list of loans is available.

- Mark Hollinshead was paid back directly from the Trust.
- Donation from Cheshire East Liberals was in the name of Rod Fletcher and is shown as two donations of £1,500, one direct to Congleton branch which was transferred directly to the constituency party and one to the Alsager Branch which part funded a local leaflet and returned to surplus £1,207 to the constituency. **These payments will be returned to the branches and will be treated as a debit in the 2016/17 accounts.**
- Peter Hirst loans included payment directly to leaflet and delivery services.
- A fine of £70 was incurred when a cheque was presented at a time that the account did not have sufficient funds.
- DH was overpaid £500 regarding loans and has now repaid £500 which will show in 2016 – 2017 accounts.

4. A repayment was received from agent for overpayment in previous year.

5. Two leaflets were produced by Newsquest, each totalling £730.47. The company refused to print until money was in their account. To save delay the bill was paid personally by DH. (2nd March ref. Card transaction. [REDACTED] 27th feb15 Newsquest Media. Newport) DH to be repaid £730.47. **This will be treated as a debit in the 2016/17 accounts.**

As this transaction did not show on accounts, neither on the bank statements, paying in books, nor cheque books..

6. An adjustment of £3.66 was made to ensure that balance on accounts at 31st December 2015 was accurate.

It is accepted that the balance at 1st Jan 2016 is £12,126.24

STATEMENT.

These accounts are in accordance with the statements of and opening and closing values of the [REDACTED] and statements from the branches.

We believe that they represent a true record of all transactions in the year.

Derek Hough, (Treasurer)

Bill Scragg (Chairman)

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27/4/2016