

DIDCOT TOWN COUNCIL GRANT AID REPORT – RON SYKES TEA DANCES

The money from Didcot Town Council Grant Aid (£800) was deposited in our account on 30 September '19.

The plan was to hold a special 'Pre-Christmas party' on Sunday 8 December with a live musician, as opposed to the CDs. This person was booked at a cost of £200. We ordered Mince pies for the refreshments and Chocolates to share. However, we had to cancel all that as the hall was required for the General Election purposes. The musician did not charge a cancellation fee, we cancelled the Mince pies and Chocolates. The money that would have been spent is secure in our bank account.

The October and November did not raise enough income to cover all expenses.

The January event was the first dance event in the area since before Christmas, and attendance was good as a result. We did cover all expenses with some left over.

February and March usually sees a drop in attendance due to bad weather, or the fear of it. I am now planning a 'Special event' for the 19th April. As it is the week after Easter we should get a decent attendance.

I shall invite the Mayor and his Deputy to attend, with their wives/partners, to see what we do at the tea dances.

I had two of the previous Mayors attend and they were pleasantly surprised to see us. I even managed to coerce them into venturing onto the dance floor.

Yours sincerely
R J Sykes