

# 2021 AGM ANNUAL REPORTS



## FRIENDS & OF KETTERING ART GALLERY MUSEUM



# ***FRIENDS OF KETTERING ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM***

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday 6 April 2022 7.15 p.m. in the Bonkers Playhouse Theatre,  
27 Victoria Street, NN160BU

### **AGENDA**

1. Attendance and apologies
2. Minutes of AGM held on 21 April 2021 (circulated)
3. Matters arising
4. Reports (oral):
  - Chair
  - Treasurer
  - Membership SecretaryWritten reports are in the Friends KAGAM Annual Report 2021/2022.
5. Election of officers and committee –
  - Officers  
The President (Paul Johnson), Chairman (David Brown) and Treasurer (Barbara Lewis and Ian Luck) are all willing to stand for re-election.  
The position of Secretary is open.
  - Committee members  
Elected members Stephanie Mercer, Ian Luck, David Brown, Roger Hatton, Jonathan Badger, Anne Lee, Maura Bright (meeting and minutes secretary), Dez Dell, Maureen Coles, Phil Steele and Rachel Flynn, and Marie Emmanuelle Dagri are all willing to stand for re-election.
6. Amendments to the Constitution.
7. Future events and activities
8. Any other business

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The AGM will be followed at 7.45pm by an illustrated talk by Ian Luck entitled:

### ***THE MOBBS MILLIONS - A LOST LOCAL FORTUNE***

How to find Bonkers.

[www.bonkersplayhouse.co.uk](http://www.bonkersplayhouse.co.uk)

The entrance is on Victoria Street at the top end of School Lane, next to KP Glass  
Parking in School Lane car park.



## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT APRIL 2022 FROM DAVID BROWN

### MONTHLY TALKS

What a blessing Zoom has been! It's not the same as meeting face to face, but at least an opportunity to get together during lockdowns. I can imagine that quite a few of us were grateful not to have to put on our coats and brave inclement weather on the third Wednesday of the month. We have relied a lot on local talent to present the talks, which have been well received and very interesting. Furthermore, members have been very forgiving with the odd failure of the technology. For this, and other reasons, I have been somewhat reluctant to engage professional speakers. Well done all you enthusiastic amateurs out there! Because of this, we have not been charging non-members for admission to the Zoom sessions. We felt that, in difficult times we should extend an open invitation without cost, but Thank You to all our loyal and fully paid-up members. ARTworks has helped to keep us in touch, and it has become quite the hub for drop-in artists and Friends.

### THE CONSITUTION

It became obvious at the last AGM that we had somewhat outgrown the current constitution. Various amendments had been made at previous AGMs, but not registered with the Charity Commission. The Charity Commission website is not the friendliest of beasts and it has been a struggle for Barbara and Jonathan, but there has been significant progress.

### HAZ AND GLaM

Much of the Committee's energy has been directed to helping, and indeed leading on various aspects of these schemes.

The GLaM project seems to be progressing well, and we were invited for a site visit to view the hole in the ground, and to get an initial impression of the eventual building. Roll on September! The Museum however is a different story, and this aspect of the project is now in Phase II.

The High Street Action Zone has generated much more work. The QR project is progressing well, thanks to the efforts of all the authors: Martin Rose, Ian Addis, Delia Thomas, Maura Bright, Bernadette Millar, Alice Caswell, Ian Luck and Jonathan Badger. We have installed twelve of the plaques, with variable success, and are now engaged in the task of searching out other locations and methods of displaying them.

The Training courses have gotten off to a good start, led by Laura Malpas. The first eight sessions in February were well attended, and well received; we hope to organise more sessions in the future.

### TOURS

As part of our commitment to the HAZ programme, we undertook to organise some town and cemetery tours. Dodging around lockdowns and social distancing, two town tours and two cemetery tours took place in November. There will be more in 2022: they are popular, and generate funds for the Friends

### SUMMER VISIT

At short notice, and with his usual skill, Phil Steele led a fascinating visit to Delapre Abbey and the nearby Eleanor Cross, and recounted the story of the Battle of Northampton. We wish him a speedy and full recovery from his recent stroke.



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## SECRETARY REPORT AND MEMBERSHIP MATTERS FROM BARBARA LEWIS



Portrait by Sue Lydia Taylor

After more than 10 years as Secretary to the Friends, I am finally taking a back seat from the administration to concentrate on more creative ventures and reconnect with my therapy practice.

I will remain a member of the committee, volunteer in Art works and I will still organise the Tuesday community Art group, and help at tours and other community activities.

ARTworks and the Tuesday Art Group have been a lifeline for many members, now number 70 +, although recently many are willing, but due to ill health and artists and the public since Covid changed our way of life in 2020. Volunteers other commitments have not been able to help. However everyone has been very supportive and many thanks to those who have stepped in at the last minute.

Both ARTworks volunteers and the Tuesday Art Group worked really hard over the December weekend of the art and Craft Fayre raising £200 for the Friends. Thanks to all who contributed time and raffle prizes.

Again, perhaps due to our presence in ARTworks, membership of the Friends has remained stable, rather than falling away as many similar organisations have found; non-renewals being replaced by new members, encouraged by the displays in art works and the enthusiasm of the volunteers.

The Tuesday Art Group has seen an increase in numbers from the 6 who bravely sat in the Market Place when the 'rule of 6' started. We have met regularly either at Green Patch or the Kino Lounge and we have organised monthly workshops in ARTworks. The group is open to anyone and is an ideal opportunity to meet others who share an interest in art.



ARTworks REPORT FOR 2021 FROM IAN LUCK

Due to the Covid restrictions we were unable to open ARTworks until Friday 16th April. That allowed us time to consider how best to use the large display area in the shop. Straightaway after opening it became a meeting place again and the only site in Kettering where you can view over 65 local artists works. Although only open 3 days a week and manned entirely by our faithful brigade of volunteers we certainly attract visitors. As many have asked as to when the Alfred East Gallery and Museum will re-open, more do not even realise Kettering has these attractions.



Portrait by Daniel Kelly

We have tried to keep the connection alive as due to the rebuilding program the Friends have been unable to offer any other resources during 2021.

Introducing our 'Artist of the Month' has helped during the year. Seven of our artist/volunteer's showed a more varied selection of their works – this has been very popular with our visitors. This will continue throughout 2022.

We also hosted, with a very busy Private View, the Kettering & District Art Society's 116th Annual Exhibition in July with over 200 works on display. Plus, during the Summer, featured as a window display, works from the Wicksteed Contemporary Art Show.

It has been such a pleasure to see the Kettering public enjoy and engage with local art. In conclusion – a very successful 2021.

During the Summer our President Paul Johnson donated 500.00 towards digitising over 300 recently discovered letters written and recieved by Sir Alfred East in the later years of his life. The letters are currently being transcribed by Paul and Horace Liberty and add much to the AE story.

**RE-OPENING**  
**FRIDAY 16TH APRIL**  
**ARTworks**  
**creative SPACE**  
Open every Friday, Saturday and Sunday  
10am - 4pm Free Parking Sundays in Newlands  
**FRIENDS**  
**OF KETTERING**  
**ART GALLERY**  
**MUSEUM**  
Friends of Kettering Art Gallery & Museum  
Supporting the Alfred East Art Gallery  
& Manor House Museum  
Charity no: 216048

**ARTworks**  
**creative SPACE**  
**ARTIST OF THE MONTH**  
**SHARON STIRLING**  
  
This portrait from Alfred East's collection, brought with a light to attention to the fact that East was not just a businessman and politician. He was also an accomplished artist in his own right. The portrait of an elderly woman is a beautiful example of East's artistic talent. It is a portrait of a woman who was a friend and a confidante of East's. The portrait is a beautiful example of East's artistic talent. It is a portrait of a woman who was a friend and a confidante of East's. The portrait is a beautiful example of East's artistic talent. It is a portrait of a woman who was a friend and a confidante of East's.  
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**ARTworks**  
**creative SPACE**  
**ARTIST OF THE MONTH**  
**JUDY TAYLOR**  
  
Looking back over a long life the continuing thread of art in all its forms (music, dance, drama, film, television, radio, literature) has been a constant presence. Inspiration for so many things around me. One of my earliest memories is of my mother painting a picture of a landscape. I was about 10 years old. It was a beautiful picture. I was so proud of her. It was a beautiful picture. I was so proud of her. It was a beautiful picture. I was so proud of her.  
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**ARTworks**  
**creative SPACE**  
**ARTIST OF THE MONTH**  
**JANE BELL**  
  
Jane Bell is a talented artist who has spent her life creating beautiful works of art. Her work is characterized by its simplicity and elegance. She has a deep understanding of color and composition, and her work is a testament to her skill and dedication. Jane Bell is a talented artist who has spent her life creating beautiful works of art. Her work is characterized by its simplicity and elegance. She has a deep understanding of color and composition, and her work is a testament to her skill and dedication.  
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**ARTworks**  
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**ARTIST OF THE MONTH**  
**VERA TURNER**  
  
Vera Turner is a talented artist who has spent her life creating beautiful works of art. Her work is characterized by its simplicity and elegance. She has a deep understanding of color and composition, and her work is a testament to her skill and dedication. Vera Turner is a talented artist who has spent her life creating beautiful works of art. Her work is characterized by its simplicity and elegance. She has a deep understanding of color and composition, and her work is a testament to her skill and dedication.  
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**ARTworks**  
**creative SPACE**  
**ARTIST OF THE MONTH**  
**SORRELL KINLEY**  
**PRINTMAKER**  
  
Sorrell Kinley is a talented artist who has spent her life creating beautiful works of art. Her work is characterized by its simplicity and elegance. She has a deep understanding of color and composition, and her work is a testament to her skill and dedication. Sorrell Kinley is a talented artist who has spent her life creating beautiful works of art. Her work is characterized by its simplicity and elegance. She has a deep understanding of color and composition, and her work is a testament to her skill and dedication.  
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**ARTworks**  
**creative SPACE**  
**ARTIST OF THE MONTH**  
**ROSAMUND BRADSHAW**  
  
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**ARTworks**  
**creative SPACE**  
**ARTIST OF THE MONTH**  
**ALISON BULL**  
  
Alison Bull is a talented artist who has spent her life creating beautiful works of art. Her work is characterized by its simplicity and elegance. She has a deep understanding of color and composition, and her work is a testament to her skill and dedication. Alison Bull is a talented artist who has spent her life creating beautiful works of art. Her work is characterized by its simplicity and elegance. She has a deep understanding of color and composition, and her work is a testament to her skill and dedication.  
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## Bank / Card Charges

Accounts Summary AGM	31/12/2020	31/12/2021				
Income Total	29828.19	13733.85				
Expences	8243.35	17727.16				
Balances in all Accounts		8858.77				
Community Current	3822.63		Uncashed cheq			
Deposit Designated Pots	8684.48	8385.32				
Coop Account ARTworks	21046.96	11109.85	Rent	Water	Electric	To be deducted
Petty Cash	104.00	82.00				
Income	33658.07	13733.85				
	2020	2021	Expenses	2020	2021	
Community Enterprises	738.00	1824		4154.71	10868.41	
Talks R&R	129.95	0		60.00	100	
Visitors	88.00	0				
Donation	1312.00	1505.00				
Events		540.00			4583.60	
Sales	227.6	415.5				
Subs	1275.00	1255.00				
Grants	25000.00	8000.00				
Grant	1050.00					
Bank Interest	7.64	50.00				
Purchases				550.00	615.00	
Gallery/Museum Donation				1596.28		
Gallery/Museum Donation				327.97		
Web site				300.00	265.90	
Secretarial				527.5	333.19	
Subs and Insurance				512.00	472.00	
Advertising				200.00	480.00	
Bank / Card Charges transaction				14.89	9.06	
Gift Aid		143.51				
	29828.19	13733.85		8243.35	17727.16	

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Restricted and Designated Funds			
Fund	1st Jan 2021	Change/utilisation	31st Dec 2021
Gallery Development Fund	1202.57		1202.57'
Museum Development Fund	967.63		967.63
Maurice Bayes Fund	1839.00		1839.00
Johnson Fund	1945.00	*-500.00	1452.00
Conservation Fund	1919.45		1919.45
June Steele Fund	115.00		115.00
General	388.81	**1005.00-599.09	794.72
Consortium HAZ		***8000.00-4583.60	3416.40

## Notes

\*500.00 for digitisation of Alfred East letters

\*\*1005.00 Donation from Georgie Robinson

\*\*\*8000.00 HAZ Project

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**Charity No. 216048**

## Trustee Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

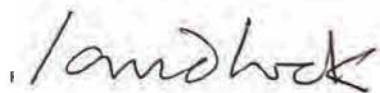
This represents the Friends of Kettering Art Gallery and Museum accounts for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

The accounts have been independently verified to confirm that proper records have been kept.

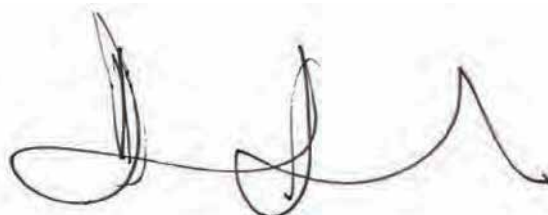
Again a challenging year, we have maintained interest through ARTworks with the wider local community during the renovations of the Gallery and Museum. Decisions have been taken in accordance with Charities Commission guidelines.

Trustees are elected annually from amongst the members taking account of the various skills that are required to run the charity. They ensure that the accounts are drawn up on an accruals basis consistent with the previous year, and accepted accounting standards. The trustees have also considered the risks attached to the charity and believe that sufficient procedures are in place to mitigate those risks. General funds for running the society remain under pressure, however, and the recruitment of new members will be a key factor going forward to ensure the good financial health of the organisation. We need more members and are keen to welcome new volunteers.

The trustees confirm that the Charity complies with section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 with regard to public benefit.



Ian Luck, Treasurer



David Brown, Chairman

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## SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT FROM MAURA BRIGHT AGM 6.4.2022

### Tune in, turn on, but don't drop out!

Follow the Friends on our social media platforms for news, talks, exhibitions, workshops, Town and Cemetery Walks and what's on at ARTworks Creative Space, our fabulous Art Gallery in the Newlands Centre, Kettering.

### And keep 'Liking' and 'Sharing'



Instagram: Friends\_KAGAM

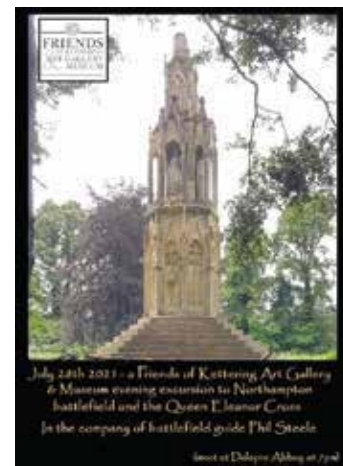


Facebook: - @FriendsKetteringArtGalleryandMuseum  
- ARTworks at Newlands



Twitter: @FKagam

### Friends Walks during 2021



Jonathan Badger presenting the history of the Manor House on one of our Town Walks



Photograph by Maura Bright