

Jacob Sheep Society

Treasurer's Report

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The Society's finances continue to be sound: overall our income has increased by £8,281. However we have a reduction in our surplus (£1825) from 2018 i.e. £7,841 in 2019 (£9,666 in 2018).

Income was £71,959 increased from £63,678 last year. Mainly Registrations, AGM and Merchandise Income.

Spending has increased to £64,118 from £ 54,012. (£10,106). Mainly due to the once every two years production of the Members' Handbook and also the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book. Also an invoice from Grassroots which they should have submitted in the previous year.

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Finances continue to be sound. Our gross surplus has decreased slightly from last year:

Operating Income: Operating Costs: Net Surplus	2019 £ 66,850 64,118 2,732	2018 £ 58,053 54,012 4,041
PLUS Investment		
Income	5,109	5,625
<b>TOTAL SURPLUS</b>		
<b>FOR THE YEAR</b>	7,841	9,666

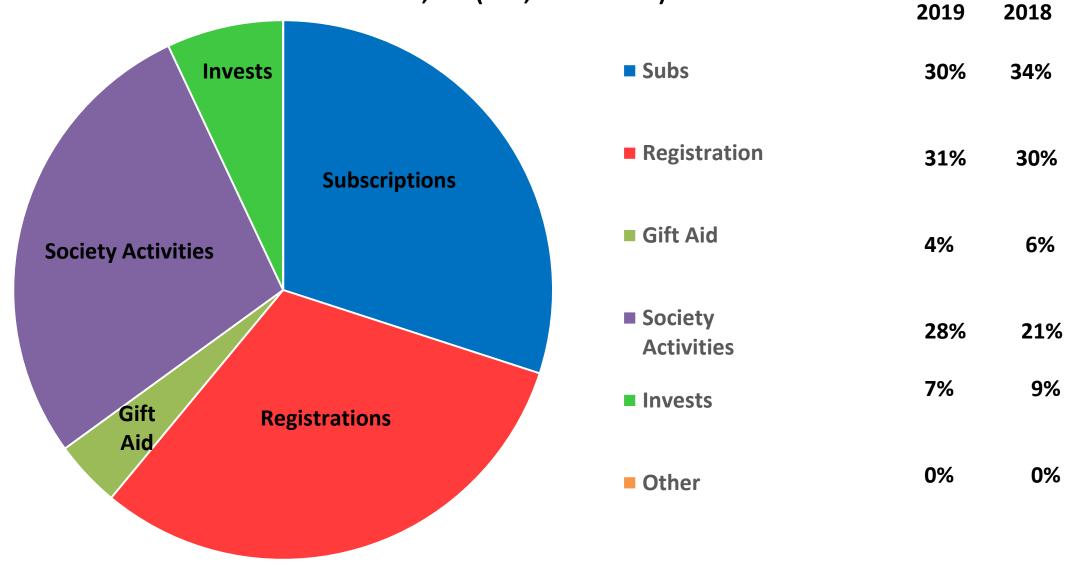
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Although spending has increased by £10,106 (Members' Handbook, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book and a GRS invoice which they forgot – excluding these, costs would have been very similar to previous years. The extra income of £8281 (including income from investments) from Registrations, Merchandise and the AGM have helped considerably.

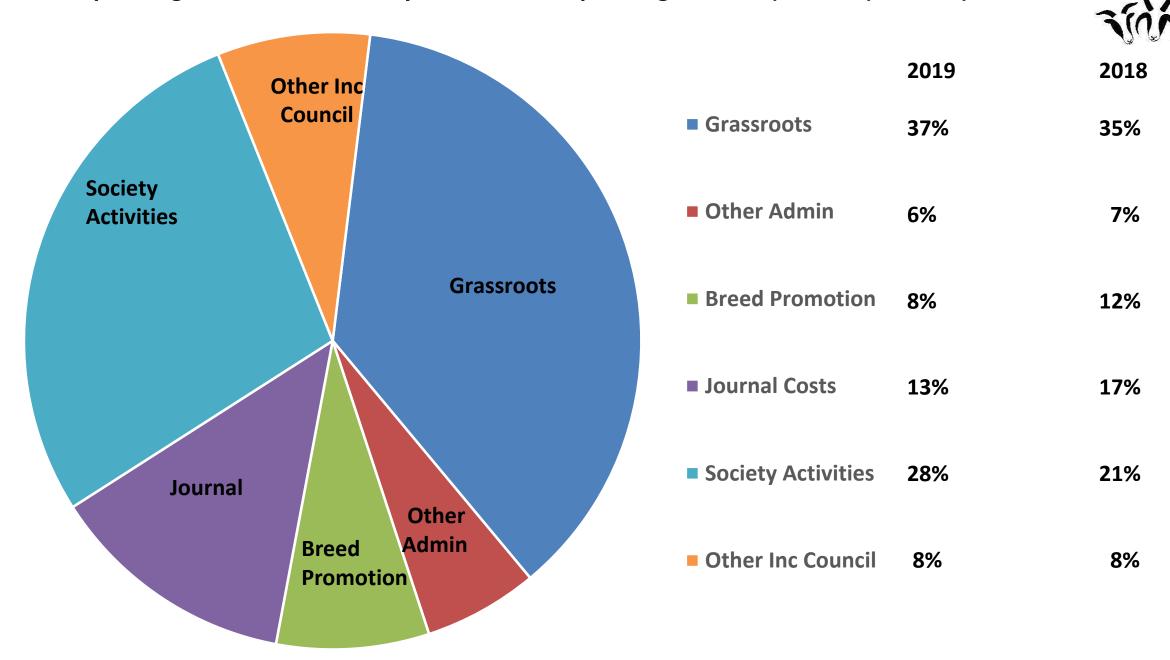
Even so ... Expenditure this year was 89% of income whereas last year it was 84%. So the return we get from the investments continues to be important.

### Our 2019 Income has Increased £71,959 (£63,678 in 2018)





#### Our Spending in 2019 increased by £10106 Total Spending £64,118 (£54,012) in 2018)





#### **Assets & Investments**

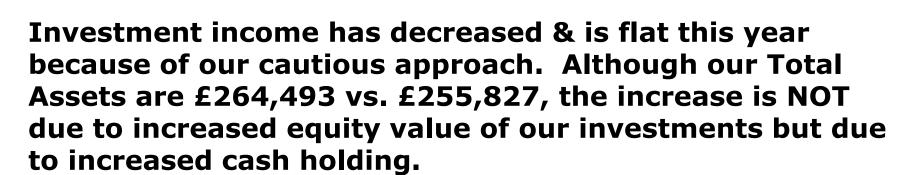
Assets are £264,493 vs. £255,827 a year ago.

Once again the increase this year is hardly due to increased equity value of our investments because they are little changed, but due to an increase in current assets i.e. more readily available funds that can be liquidated quickly if necessary. Equities are now at 32% of our total assets down from 47% last year.

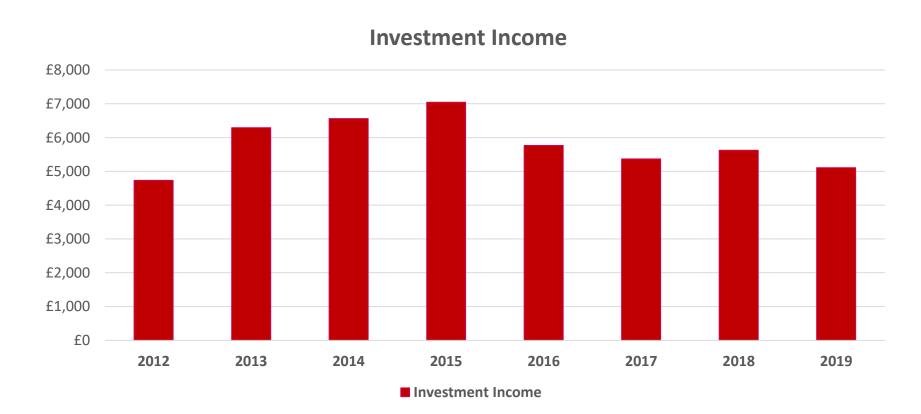
# **Our Investments are Important**



- Investment income is £5109 (£5625 last year) over 7% of total income.
- It is an important source of extra income and in some years without it we would have made a loss
- The markets continue to be more volatile and it is likely that costs will increase because of this. Investments act as a buffer if the economy worsens. This year our surplus would have been reduced by nearly 65% without investment income.
- The Charity Commission expects our size of organization to have a safety net.







## **Account Highlights 2019**



### Forecast for 2020:

Due to market volatility £38k of equity investments was liquidated into cash in November 2018 with Council approval. Capital value and the return on investments will be monitored closely. Note: due to markets dropping as a result of Corona virus, £51k with Council approval has been transferred back into equities in order to take advantage of low share prices. Markets likely to recover once the virus is halted.

Continuing encouragement of Members to take part in Flock Competitions or Flock Assessments resulting in possible extra operating costs.

The offer of Judges' visits to those new members who would like them will start to increase. This may have an impact on costs because of increased travelling costs.



### **Account Highlights 2019 (cont)**

### Forecast for 2020:

There may be a review of the amount that the Society charges for subscriptions and joining fees at the Council Meeting in November 2020. There has been no increase since 2006

Registration fees will increase from 1 Jan 2021. Ram lambs £20 and Ewe lambs £5. Double for late registration

Increase our investments when there is a positive chance of buying shares at a lower price for long term holding