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Treasurer's Report

- The Secretary and I undertook to improve the association's governance in 2019 and 2020, including bringing all financial records and reports up to date. Annual Statements for 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 were lodged with Consumer Affairs Victoria. Detailed Financial Statements for 2018-19 were presented and certified at the Committee meeting of 26 September 2019.
- Financial statements were prepared and presented to quarterly Committee meetings in 2019-20. The Annual Financial Statements for 2019-20 are attached. These comprise an income statement and a cash flow statement. The only assets the association currently holds is cash, so no separate balance sheet report has been produced. Cash at bank at the end of 2019-20 (30 April 2020) was \$9,995 compared with \$6,096 in 2019.
- The association was successful in securing two MRSC grants and one Melbourne Water grant in 2019-20. An outline of these grants and the projects and activities they support is provided below. With restricted activity levels since March 2020 expenditure against these grants, and therefore progress with the projects they support has been limited.

Grants 2019-20

1. Melbourne Water Project Grant CG225PG, Friends of Gisborne Botanic Gardens. Ecological planting plan/project, from the 2018-19 Community Grants program for \$2,200 (inc GST) in cash and \$2,140 in kind for the preparation of an ecological management plan to guide coordinated works along Jackson's Creek, with a community engagement plan to run alongside. This grant is in progress and due to be completed in 2020.
2. MRSC Landcare and Environment Group Funding from the 2019-20 program for \$1,540 (exc GST), comprising:
 - a. \$800 for PO Box rental, insurance cover, wattle day promotions, stationery
 - b. \$740 for tool kits and personal protective equipment for volunteers at working bees, update to first aid kit, catering for extended working bees
3. MRSC Small Project Grant from 2019-20 program for \$1,436 (exc GST) for the purchase and erection of a noticeboard at the eastern entrance to the Gardens to inform visitors of the association's existence and current activities.

Louise Minty, Treasurer Friends of Gisborne Botanic Gardens 2019-20