Treasurers Report for 2008 AGM

On 4th June 2007, a committee meeting was held and I was appointed the new Treasurer to orkneycommunities.co.uk.

At 31st March 2008, the Bank Balance was £8329.23 compared to the 31st March 2007 bank balance of £4166.82. At 31st March 2008, outstanding creditors totalled £313.51.

The following organisations **2007-08 membership fee of £45.00** remains due at 31st March 2008:-

NHS Orkney – NHS Open
NHS Orkney – Shaping Up for the Future
Orkney Federation SWRI
Orkney Heritage Society

It should be noted that with only four groups still to pay their 2007/08 membership fees, orkneycommunities.co.uk's only remaining income will be from any potential new members and Google Adsense, which generates a monthly income of approximately £88.00. Google Adsense has provided additional revenue since its introduction to the site in July 2007; for every click to an advertisement on the website, income is generated to orkneycommunities.co.uk.

Expenses for the year include contract and maintenance fees due by orkneycommunities.co.uk.

All committee members continue to seek any new funding opportunities, which may arise in the future.

During the year, grant funding was claimed from HIE Orkney, Leader+ Programme. £277.87 grant was unused and subsequently, repaid to "Awards for All".

In December 2007, following an electronic EGM, members approved that the annual membership fee should be increased from £42.00 to £45.00, with immediate affect and 2007/08 membership invoices were issued to all user groups accordingly.

Contract Work for on line engagement and community portal support and capacity building for community groups provided information for Orkney Islands Council's, Community Planning Partnership and has also provided revenue to the portal and further work of this nature would generate additional valuable income to orkneycommunities.co.uk. Orkneycommunities.co.uk also launched a website design service and this will also generate additional valuable income.

We are pleased to have reached a milestone of 100 sites and we continue to be proactive in expanding and developing the community portal group for our members.

Mrs Jacqueline A P Lennie Treasurer