

**NALC ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING 2019
BALLROOM
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CHAIRMAN NALC

ANNUAL REPORT

Jonathan Owen, chief executive

Charlotte Eisenhart, head of member services

Justin Griggs, head of policy and communications

ANNUAL REPORT - GENERAL DEVELOPMENTS IN 2019

- NALC'S strategic vision argues that local councils can help bring communities together and strengthen cohesion. We are delivering this with county associations, giving the sector a strong voice, promoting the creation of new councils and supporting councils and councillors to fulfil their potential.
- As part of our strategic review we have put in place new governance arrangements that are working well - the assembly has encouraged sharing of good practice on a range of issues including health and wellbeing and elections. Our management board has effectively worked together setting organisational priorities and the finance and scrutiny committee has strengthened our finances. I would like to thank all assembly members for their support.
- We are working ever closer with county officers who are helping us develop policies, lobby government and improve the services we provide.
- Central to our developing approach NALC's staff and office holders are spending more time than ever before with county associations to understand better what they and their councils need.
- We are maintaining good relations with Government departments and widening our interactions with other departments and agencies including the Treasury, DCMS, DEFRA, Public Health England and Healthwatch. We have some great sponsors and supporters who are providing services that councils welcome
- We have gone through much change this year, including the appointment of our first head of member services. One thing is certain, there will be further change ahead and I would like to thank all my colleagues at NALC for their support and hard work.

MEMBER SERVICES - CHARLOTTE EISENHART

- Working closely with county officers to shape new member services approach to ensure we're providing the support that county associations and councils need
- Maintaining and updating an impressive suite of resources including around 100 legal topic notes, updated model standing orders and financial regulations, Good Councillor Guides and other toolkits and templates
- Dealing with 1000 legal, financial and other queries a year.
- Accessing resources from the Local Government Association including support for first peer review in Chippenham
- Sharing good practice through council spotlight, LCR and points of light
- Looking at what other services can be made available including HR support

POLICY AND COMMUNICATIONS - JUSTIN GRIGGS

- Raising the profile of the sector (through publications, social media, meetings and events) with a range of national bodies and think tanks and political parties so our sector's potential is understood
- Close working with LGA - joint research on partnership working and loneliness, conference stand and fringe meeting
- Emerging theme at LGA conference - greater interest in creation of new councils. New ones set up, or planned, across the country including Dorset, Buckinghamshire and Northamptonshire
- Pressing Government to amend legislation and regulations as set by policy committee, with some success!
- Referendum principles
- GDPR
- Mandatory business rate relief for public conveniences
- New sanctions for code of conduct issues

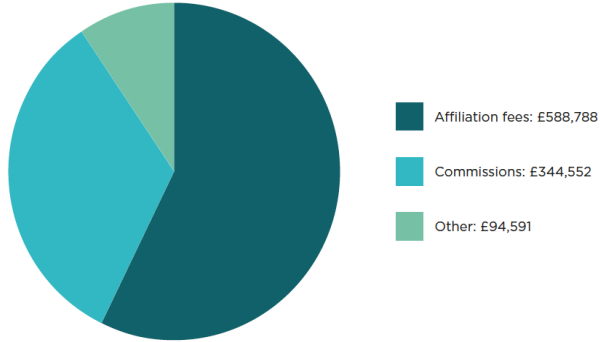
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

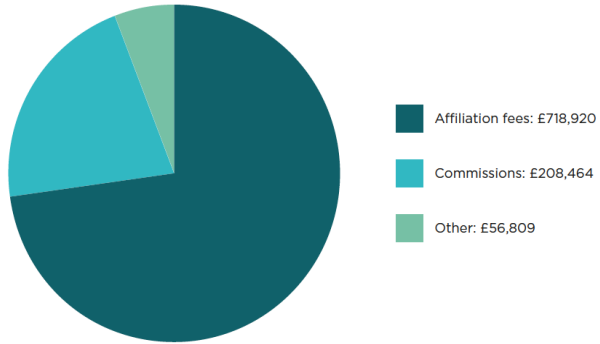
	2019 £	2018 £
Turnover		
Affiliation fees	1,025,140	990,691
Publication sales	20,838	93,306
Events and projects income	292,159	403,564
Other income	12,458	11,486
Cost of sales	1,350,595	1,499,047
Direct expenditure	165,122	214,075
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Administration expenses		
Staff salaries including recruitment and training	787,928	905,033
Staff travel	8,628	8,108
Consultancy	8,241	6,814
Non- recoverable VAT	22,456	28,724
Legal and professional	30,571	17,311
Auditors' remuneration	5,283	5,293
Professional indemnity insurance	14,672	16,444
Premises, accommodation and maintenance	124,075	133,634
Depreciation	6,965	13,565
Committee expenses	7,172	10,345
Representatives expenses	25,706	28,295
General meetings	6,000	6,000
Membership fees	3,635	7,220
Books, periodicals & law library	2,668	1,600
Information services	15,791	18,217
Promotion	12,515	23,222
Corporate hospitality	2,667	2,283
Administration expenses	27,163	27,426
Chairmen's allowances	3,250	3,250
	1,115,386	1,262,784
Interest payable		
Interest payable & similar charges	3,297	2,644
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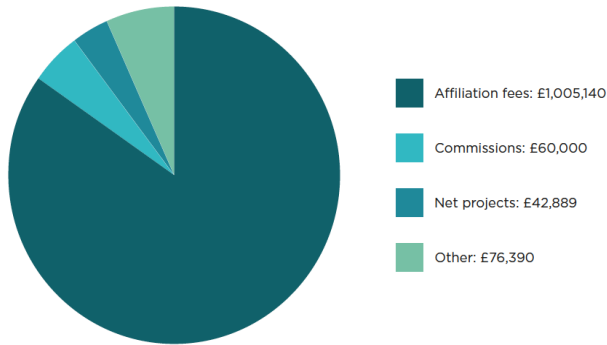
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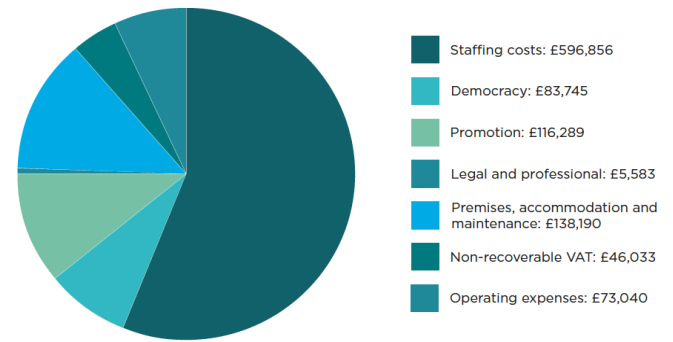


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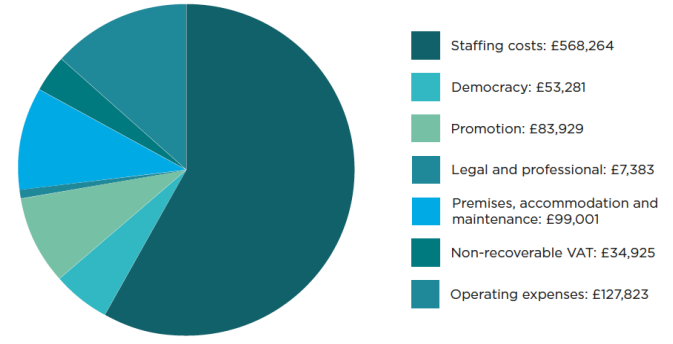


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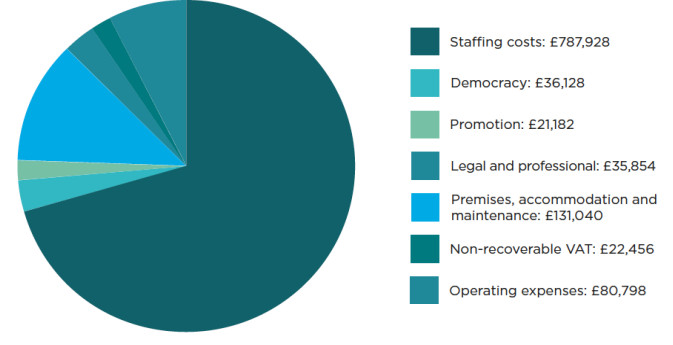
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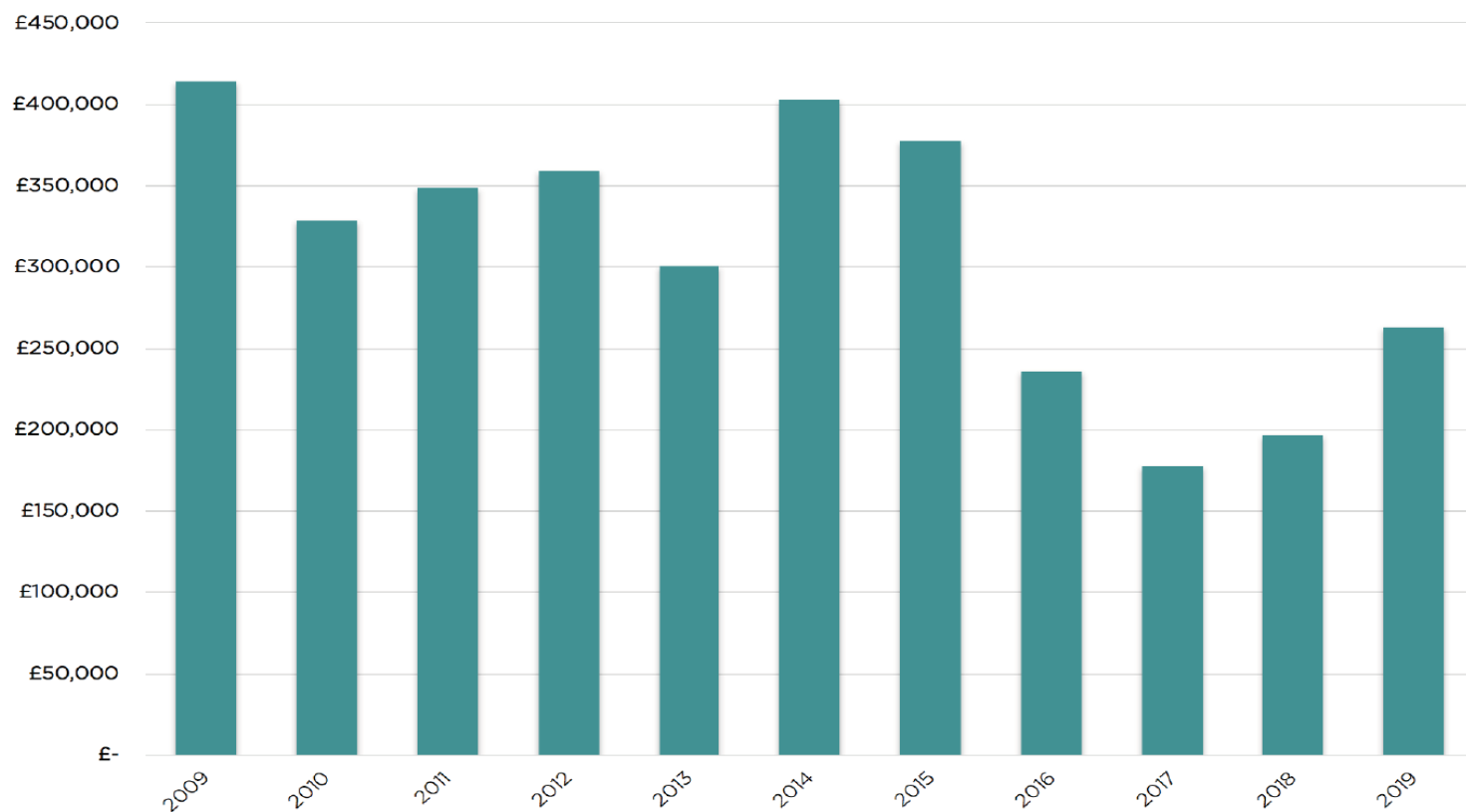
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RESERVES



THREE YEAR BUDGET FOR 2020/2021/2022

						Cap	£ 1,750	£ 1,780		£ 1,840	£ 1,900	£ 1,960
						Pence	6.86	6.99		7.20	7.42	7.64
						Change %	1.90%	1.90%		3.00%	3.00%	3.00%
						Audited	Audited	Budget	Budget	Adjusted budget	Budget	Budget
						2019	2018	2018/19	2019/20	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
						£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income												
Affiliation fees						1,025,140	990,691	1,010,591	1,039,412	1,050,000	1,090,900	1,133,027
Publication sales (Net)						(4,388)	2,916	10,000	11,000	(4,000)	5,000	5,000
Events and projects income (Net)						152,463	279,879	160,000	170,000	132,000	130,000	130,001
Other income (Net)						12,258	11,486	5,000	5,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
						1,185,473	1,284,972	1,185,591	1,225,412	1,190,000	1,237,900	1,280,027
												1,323,419
Administration expenses												
Staff salaries including recruitment and training						787,928	905,033	873,000	889,970	871,139	892,900	910,960
Staff travel						8,628	8,108	7,000	7,000	7,000	8,000	9,000
Consultancy						8,241	6,814	5,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
Non- recoverable VAT						22,456	28,724	40,000	40,000	40,000	30,000	30,000
Legal and professional						30,571	17,311	2,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
Auditors' remuneration						5,283	5,293	5,500	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Professional indemnity insurance						14,672	16,444	16,500	16,500	16,500	16,000	16,000
Premises, accommodation and maintenance						124,075	133,634	104,300	111,000	111,000	131,000	133,000
Depreciation						6,965	13,565	15,000	15,000	15,000	10,000	12,000
Committee expenses						7,172	10,345	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000
Representatives expenses						25,706	28,295	30,000	30,000	27,000	28,000	28,000
General meetings						6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Membership fees						3,635	7,220	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Books, periodicals & law library						2,668	1,600	4,000	1,500	1,000	2,500	2,500
Information services						15,791	18,217	16,000	13,500	14,000	14,500	14,500
Promotion						12,515	23,222	16,000	17,500	17,500	17,500	17,500
Corporate hospitality						2,667	2,283	2,500	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Administration expenses						27,163	27,426	24,500	24,000	24,000	28,000	28,000
Bad debts						-	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Chairmen's allowances						3,250	3,250	3,250	3,750	3,750	3,750	4,500
Target savings Accommodation;Committees;Operating expenses								(6,000)	(6,000)	(6,000)	-	-
						1,115,386	1,262,784	1,180,550	1,208,720	1,186,889	1,227,150	1,250,960
												1,268,362
Interest payable												
Interest payable & expenses						3,297	2,644	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,500	3,500
						1,118,683	1,265,428	1,183,550	1,211,720	1,189,889	1,230,650	1,254,460
												1,271,862
SURPLUS						£ 66,790	£ 19,544	£ 2,041	£ 13,692	£ 111	£ 7,250	£ 25,567
												£ 51,557

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

To consider the recommendation by national assembly on 9 July 2019:

To increase the affiliation fee in 2020/21 to 7.20 pence per elector with a cap of £1, 840 for larger councils.

MOTION - ELECTION OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENTS

Motions

Election of Vice Presidents Motion - Submitted by National Assembly
Delete clause 11b – Honorary officers:

The Annual General Meeting shall each year, on consideration of the recommendation of the Assembly, elect such number of vice presidents as it may determine for a period of three years, all of whom may be eligible for re-election. A retiring president may be elected as an additional vice president.

Insert new clause 11b:

“that NALC appoints one president for two year terms (unlimited) and two working vice-presidents for two year terms (generally limited to a maximum of two terms of office). These posts should have specified role and should not be limited to former assembly members. This should take effect from 2020.

MOTION – ISLE OF WIGHT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

County association membership

The Constitution of the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) allows for all local councils and parish meetings to affiliate to the National Association of Local Councils and therefore enjoy the benefits of membership by joining their relevant geographical county association where one exists.

CALCs come in many varying sizes and have wide variations in their levels of financial and manpower resources. As members of NALC however all CALCs have equal standing. It is noted however that there are many examples of good practice where CALCs collaborate in order to provide a better service to member councils and this should be welcomed and encouraged.

There is however legitimate concern that some county associations are undermining their neighbours by offering so called “development” or “associate” member status to councils outside their geographical area as an alternative to those councils joining their home CALC. Such “development” or associate status does not facilitate membership of NALC and NALC does not therefore receive any income from such arrangements although it is difficult for NALC to prevent the CALC offering these arrangements to prevent its resources made available to CALCs being used for the benefit of “development” or “associate” members. Such arrangements are also highly damaging to the CALCs whose members are effectively being poached in this way.

MOTION – ISLE OF WIGHT CONTINUED

1. This meeting therefore instructs the NALC chief executive to use all the powers at his disposal to stop CALCs offering “development” or “associate” membership to councils outside their geographical area unless those councils have affiliated to NALC through their home CALC.
2. The chief executive is further instructed to bring forward draft constitutional amendments to the next NALC AGM or to a General meeting if one is held earlier to formalise and clarify this position.

AMENDED MOTION

That management board develop a new service level agreement for consideration by the assembly in 2020 setting out the respective roles, working relationships and expectations of service delivery between county and national associations,