



NESTON & DISTRICT ART SOCIETY

Community & Environment Manager
Neston Town Council
Neston Town Hall
High Street
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Dear Audrey

Art Exhibition – April 10th-13th 2024

I am writing on behalf of the Neston & District Art Society to request a contribution from the Town Council towards the cost of our Annual Art Exhibition, which next year will take place between Wednesday the 10th and Saturday the 13th April.

The Exhibition has been held in Neston for over 20 years now, and is an important event in the calendar of the Society as it enables the members to exhibit their work to the public, whilst giving the residents of Neston an opportunity to view the work of the Society. The majority of the members of the Society live in the Neston area, whilst we have some 300 to 400 visitors annually to the exhibition. During the course of the exhibition we receive a number of enquiries from people who wish to join the Society, and it remains one of our main means of recruitment.

The cost of last years Exhibition was £955, the major cost being the hire of the Town Hall, which last year came to £471.20. The Town Council were kind enough to cover the cost of the hire of the hall, and this enabled us to donate the proceeds of the raffle, along with 50% of the catalogue sales (£170) to a the Neston Angels, our nominated local charity. Taking into account the income from hanging fees and commission on the sold paintings we made a modest profit of £187 last year.

If the Town Council were able to help with a contribution towards the cost of the hire of the Town Hall we would again look to donating the proceeds of the raffle to a local charity.

Should you require any further information regarding the request for financial assistance in putting on the exhibition, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Keith Moores

Secretary Neston & District Art Society