

# **The Arts Bar David Lean Cinema Community Interest Company**

Save the David Lean Cinema Campaign CIC

## **Chairman's Report for 5th September 2022 7.30 pm Zoom Meeting**

### **1 Inception in March 2019: pre-Pandemic and aftermath**

Inception back in 2019 started with a loan from Mother SDLCC to get us launched with a small committee, but on taking over where the operation had been run as part of the SDLCC, we soon hit financial problems primarily of liability insurance, tax and accountant charges. As we were totally reliant on ticket sales when the pandemic hit in we were rudderless with of course no patrons. We have survived!

A CIC is a special type of limited company which exists to benefit the community rather than private shareholders.

We were started off with a loan which is still to be paid back in full.

With the easing of the series of Lockdowns, things are looking much brighter and with patrons now returning, some of them seem pleasingly thirsty.

### **2 Initial Direction of New Committee: Help and CIC Administration**

When the new committee took over management, it was made clear that this team was purely to administer the CIC and to help the existing Arts Bar Team where necessary. There was never any intention to alter a machine which "ain't broke".

### **3 Regular monthly stock up**

After observing sales and acknowledging anyone's suggestions as to what might be a likely attraction, there is a monthly purchase of supplies. Interesting to see how some items sell rapidly one month but not necessarily the next.

### **4 Thanks to the large team of Bar Staff volunteers: approx. 20No**

We have our own bank account  
Bar payments are in electronics and cash both working well  
Turnover healthy with regular restocking by Jenny and Susanne  
Now experimenting with a local craft beer  
Particular thanks to Diana Stainbank for past operations

### **5 Election of New Committee if required: (All current parties willing to continue).**

Chairman	Stephen Batchelor
Treasurer	David Lavelli
Secretary	Emma Langhorne
Stock Control	Jenny Hussell and Susanne Baccini