

Emails between NSC and IN&R, Sept to Nov 2025 regarding finances

14 Sept 2025 (and reminder sent 3 Nov)

To: CoDA Intergroup North & Regions ("CoDA North Region" email address)

Cc: Gillian A, NSC Treasurer

Dear members in service at Intergroup North And Regions,

At last weekend's NSC meeting it was decided to (quote) "request a report from Intergroup North & Regions on the accounts for the Founders Weekend in May; report to include itemised income & expenditure. We request that this is received by end of November 2025 to include in the NSC accounts for transparency and to show the impact of the seventh tradition contribution to the event. Will there be any money to come back to NSC to fund future work?"

In loving fellowship,

Andy B

NSC Chair

13 Nov 2025 from Jane B

To: NSC Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Communications

Gillian A, Tina G, Pete H, Christine K, Carol McF, Martin B

Dear Andy B,

Our Coda Intergroup North and Regions Committee held a special meeting on Sunday 9th November 2025 specifically to address the issues raised in your email of 14th September this year.

Donations from Coda NSC towards the Ken and Mary weekend in May this year and increased literature stocks were most welcome. There was unanimous agreement that IN&R would like to reiterate our tremendous gratitude to NSC for your help in 2024 and 2025. We also want to make clear that if the NSC ever needs financial or other support for events they plan in the future, we at IN&R are more than willing to help.

You ask that we reply with 'itemised expenditures and income'. Outlined below is how the money you so kindly donated has been used. (There is no record of a vote being taken on whether any of the money given in support of events in 2025 should be returned. It would seem quite pointless to return money for literature sales to the NSC when we would only have to ask for it again to replenish stocks. The NSC offered another £1,600 for literature and while this is not needed at present, we are glad to know that it is still available to us.)

NSC kindly donated £8,150.00 towards expenses for the Ken and Mary weekend, where we were sorry not to have the chance of meeting you.

£5,000.00 was given to Ken and Mary for their expenses (air fares and accommodation for 5 days). £3,100.00 covered concessionary tickets for those members of Coda who needed financial help to attend, and also incidental expenses at the Hotel Pendulum

£5,000.00 was given to the printer to establish a good stock of literature for events in 2025. Since that time, IN&R has purchased £2,809.00 more literature, almost completely new material that has become available this year. Sales of literature this year amount to £3,996.00 (figures from IN&R Treasurer report). We have also been able to supply start-up packs and individual pieces of literature free of charge, in accordance with IN&R's policy of 'carrying the message'.

All of us at the IN&R committee meeting last Sunday agree that we very much hope that our relationship with NSC; as two independent and co-equal Voting Entities representing much of the UK, will go forward in a spirit of co-operation and partnership; with neither group assuming 'control'. We hope to exchange Minutes of committee meetings in a reciprocal manner, and we continue to hope to welcome members of NSC to the retreats held three times every year at Noddfa, in North Wales.

A last point, on which we were in complete agreement, is that this letter will hopefully be a lasting and final statement on this matter and that we will not be asked to comment again.

in gratitude and fellowship,
IN&R

21 Nov 2025 from Andy B, NSC Chair

To: Jane B, Gillian A, Tina G, Pete H, Christine K, Carol McF
NSC Treasurer, Secretary, Communications, Webmaster, Meetings, CSC Delegates;
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Dear IN&R,

Many thanks for your reply. This will need to be discussed by the NSC, which might need an additional meeting if one can be arranged, or otherwise wait until our AGM in March as your reply wasn't in time to include in December's published agenda.

I too hope these matters can be resolved and that our two VEs can move on and co-operate in common welfare and unity.

I must stress that I cannot speak for the NSC as such – so the following is just by way of commentary.

A great deal of time has already been spent discussing all this at the NSC. A number of members believe that the funds provided to IN&R were by nature of an advance or float, assumed to be repaid in due course (insofar as recouped or not) which is the usual way with funding for fellowship events etc – as opposed to “donations”, a word which the NSC has not used in this context.

Similarly with the literature, for which funds were approved on the basis of the publisher holding the physical stock to ease delays in fulfilling orders - which he then decided against, as he told me a few months ago - plus an amount to be sold at the Founders' Workshop. NSC members are concerned why IN&R now hold the literature (although there seems to be no other practical option for that) and are keeping the proceeds, when no decisions were made about this – although undoubtedly great work is being done in carrying the message.

On the other hand, and these are merely my own observations: in retrospect, the proposals/decisions were poorly worded (e.g. “give” in relation to £5000) and/or did not confirm what was to happen to the related incomes later.

I have attached the wordings of the NSC's decisions to this email, for reference. Personally I would like to see a simple resolution to all this, acknowledging whatever lessons may be learned, but it's not for me to direct the NSC. Group conscience will take its course.

In loving fellowship, and appreciation for all service,
Andy

P.S. I have removed the publisher from this reply, as he has told me he does not wish to be involved in these financial discussions, and appreciates us keeping his anonymity. I have added the current NSC email addresses that were not previously copied.
