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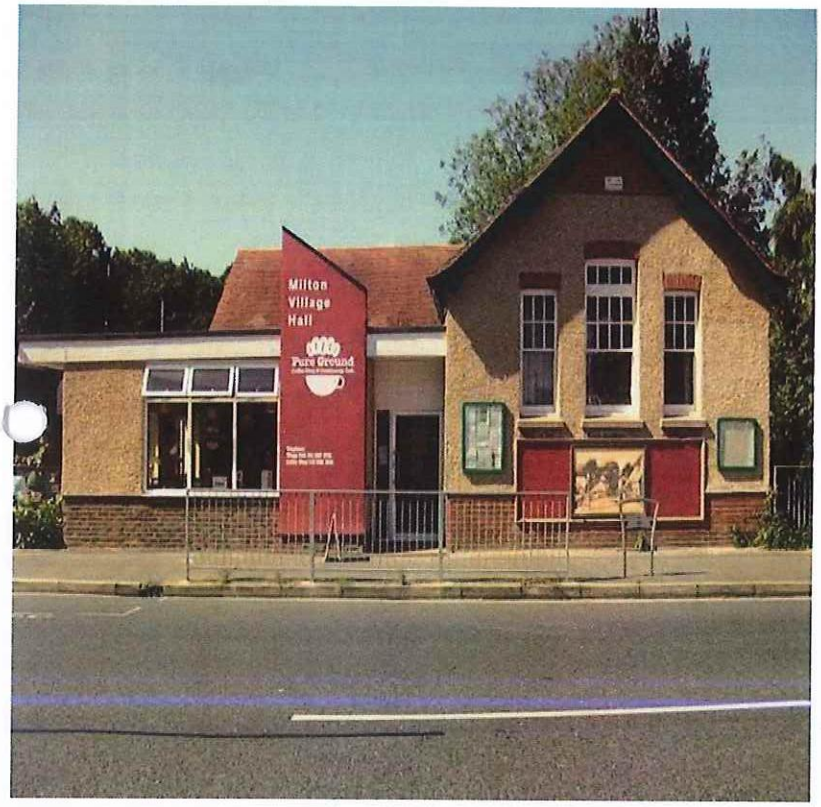
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



ANNUAL REPORT AND INDEPENDENTLY EXAMINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: 30th November 2023

MVCA is committed to providing social and recreational opportunities, without discrimination, for its friends and neighbours.

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Supported by Portsmouth City Council **Registered Charity No. 1003706**

Annual Report and Independently Examined Financial Statements of Milton Village Community Association for the year ended 31st March 2023

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Milton Village Community Association

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023 The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity Number
1003706

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Centre Manager: Allison Udy
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Background

Under the management of Milton Village Community Association, Milton Village Hall (the old library) opened as a community centre in 1993, having previously occupied a school hut in the grounds of Meon schools. The Association ran over both sites for some years until the preschool (Jack & Jill) at the Meon Road site began outgrowing the hall. It was agreed that the Community Association would relinquish Meon Road site to Jack & Jill Preschool for sole use and we would concentrate on extending and developing Milton Village Hall which was finally accomplished in 2012 when we celebrated the opening of an additional new hall, revamped foyer & entrance together with a wonderful new coffee shop, Pure Ground, run under licence by Langstone Church (www.pureground.co.uk)

Governing Document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a constitution registered with the Charity Commission

Structure and Management

Although the building belongs to Portsmouth City Council, the Association is an independent community association and leases the building under a peppercorn rent. A Service Level Agreement is in place between Portsmouth City Council and the Association and states the terms and conditions of operation and who is responsible for what – for example the council maintain the building structure and provide support and advice to staff and volunteers and the Association maintains the interior and agrees to provide a broad and balanced programme to users.

In January 2023, the Association took over the management of Eastney Area Community Association (EACA) who had lost their experienced staff and trustees. There were three remaining trustees of EACA, one stepped down and the other two, agreed to stay as trustees. So, it was decided that the trustees running MVCA and the remaining trustees of EACA would amalgamate to all run both centres. Otherwise, for the time being, both centres continue to run independently with their own finances and charity status.

The Association is managed by a volunteer management committee (trustees) that meets once a month and responsibilities include the health & safety of users, maintenance of the interior of the building, hiring policies, programme of activities, employment of staff and managing the finances. Trustees are elected following nomination and approval at the Annual General Meeting. A trustee induction pack has been produced and training is made available. At present, the Committee has 14 individuals made up of individual members and appointed representatives.

The Association currently employs a Centre Manager for 40 hours a week (increased from 30 since taking on EACA) who is responsible for the day to day running of the centre together with a part-time clerical assistant 18 hours a week (increased from 9 since taking on EACA) and one cleaner who covers 7 days a week. The additional salary remuneration is reimbursed from EACA. The Association pays these staff, not Portsmouth City Council. Committee members and volunteers also help in the office and around the centre.

The Centre Office opens 9.30am to 12.30pm Monday to Friday.

Risk Management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The trustees have in place the necessary policies and procedures for the effective operation of the Association and have identified the following as potential risks to the long term sustainability:

i) Introduction of rent payable for the building by the council
ii) Increasing competition from nearby venues
iii) Covid-19 and any other pandemics
iv) Untenable costs

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Public Benefit

The objects of the Association in accordance with the Constitution are:

(a) to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Milton and Neighbourhood (area of benefit) without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities the interests of social welfare for recreations and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;

(b) to establish, or secure the establishment of a Community Centre(s) and to maintain and manage the same (whether alone or in co-operation with any local authority or other person or body) in furtherance of these objects.

The Association is non-party in politics and non-sectarian in religion.

Activities

Milton Village Hall has 2 halls for hire plus an on-site coffee shop that can be used for hire space outside of opening hours, and a large foyer that can be used for promotions & small sales and we let charities and not-for-profit organisations use the area for free and private sellers can hire for a nominal fee.

As well as private hire for birthdays, celebrations and meetings, the Association hires the halls out to various groups and teachers to offer the community a variety of social, educational, recreational and well being activities. We currently host the following groups and classes:

* Music Mad
* Seated Keep Fit
* Dog & Puppy Training
* Ballet
* Tap Dancing
* Bereavement Support
* 60+ Curling
* Vinyasa Yoga
* Pilates
* Iyengar Yoga
* Weight Watchers
* AA Support Group
* Women in Song
* Folk Band
* Home Ed Craft Classes
* Line Dancing
* Drop-in Improv Comedy
* NA Support Group

We are also pleased to offer a year-round programme of trips including day trips, theatre trips, short breaks and holidays, home and abroad, which is well supported by our 500+ members plus the local community.

A sample newsletter of what has been on offer this year is included at the back of the report.

SECTION REPORTS

We currently have 4 regular Section groups:

Curling Club (weekly)
Cribbage Club (twice weekly)
Beetle Drive (monthly)
Bingo n Brunch (monthly)

All Sections currently operate the traditional financial system of takings, less expenses, paid directly into the Association funds. Although not the main objective of the groups, their income provides a valuable contribution to the running of the centre; this year totalling more than £3000!

Brief individual reports on the Sections follow.

CURLING CLUB – Mondays 1330-1430

This last year has been a mixed one. Due to ill health we had to close for eight weeks and, sadly, several of our members passed away or became too fragile to continue playing. However, a couple still come in to sit and watch and be amongst friends.

We have managed to keep going with reduced numbers for a few months but, happily, just lately, we have had an influx of new members who seem to enjoy it and fit in well. This has brought the membership back to almost pre-covid levels and has meant that after a couple of years only playing on one mat, we are once again able to play with two mats.

We are still completely non-serious players and spend most of the time laughing and chatting accompanied by a cuppa and biscuit.

I think the Curling Club still has a valued place in the community centre and look forward to carrying on for a few more years.

Finance Summary

		£	£
Balance B/F from previous year:	In Safe		1300.00
	Cash in Hand		48.77
			1348.77
17/10/22 – 09/10/23	Fees	1100.00	
	Less Expenses	57.76	
		Paid to Centre	**1042.24**

Kay Akehurst (Volunteer)

CRIBBAGE – Fridays 0930-1130 & Tuesdays 1400-1600

All levels, from beginners to advanced, are welcome to the Friday morning session with the more experienced kindly teaching the 'newbies'. The session on Tuesdays is for the more advanced players.

Both sessions' numbers are now very well attended with around 10 on Tuesday afternoons and 15-20 on Friday mornings, and so the contribution to the centre has more than doubled from last year.

The group is very friendly and well run by one of our lovely trustees, Les.

The fee is £2 per session including tea or coffee which they can help themselves to.

Finances November 2022 to October 2023

	£
Income (Subs @ £2pp)	1730.00
Expenditure (Refreshments)	124.76
	1605.24 Surplus

BEETLE DRIVE – SECOND TUESDAY MONTHLY 1400-1600

Les continues to do a great job running the club and continues to attract more players looking for a fun way to spend an afternoon.

Subs are £2 per person and a raffle is held. Small prizes are awarded to the winner of each game with a more substantial prize for the overall winner.

Finance Summary November 2022 – October 2023

			£
Income	Fees		300.00
	Raffle	+	61.00
			361.00
Expenditure	Refreshments & Prizes	-	111.47
		Surplus	**249.53**

BINGO N BRUNCH – THIRD WEDNESDAY MONTHLY 1045-1300

Bingo n Brunch continues to thrive and, in fact, in recent months we are getting around 30 participants with a lovely regular crowd. We did try Sunday evenings for a couple of months but they didn't take off, perhaps because we tried in the winter months, so for now we'll continue just on the Wednesdays.

Participants pay £3.50 for the brunch which the coffee shop provides and tea/coffee, and anyone who doesn't want brunch pays £1 towards tea/coffee. The Association usually makes a small surplus from the bingo games which goes towards providing tea/coffee for everyone, buying the tickets and use of the hall.

Finance Summary November 2022 to October 2023

	£		£	
B/F	84.54			
Add Net Takings	332.00			
	416.54			
Less Expenses	75.35			
	341.19	Banked	200.00	
		Cash in Hand	141.19	C/F

PURE GROUND COFFEE SHOP REPORT

Pure Ground are very pleased with the development of our second venue at Bransbury Park, having only taken it over in June this year. We are developing the small coffee shop menu and customers are enjoying the current offers. We have a lovely new sign, ready to be installed at Bransbury, however the weather has hampered our plans so far. Hopefully, that will be erected very soon!

At Milton we have recently invested in a new coffee machine set up (our lovely old Iberital had, unfortunately, become irreparable). The new machine set up has enabled us to change our coffee to use the local supplier, Bubblehead Barista (worth checking out his socials). We have also installed a new water boiler so tea drinkers should notice a better cuppa! We have had a rather expensive run on equipment repairs in the last few months but the bank balance still looks very healthy.

We are now baking goods for each site from the Pure Ground Kitchen and Nikki is now being taught to undertake some of my duties in my absence (not quite a deputy just yet).

We plan to do some freshening up of the cafe in the near future, as it's been a little while since any decorating was done. The exterior paint work desperately needs doing as we're looking very tired these days and it's hoped we can get that done in the coming year.

The ivy from the park is currently causing issues with the kitchen windows. We used to have a volunteer from the church who would keep it in check but I understand that the council may be responsible as it's growing up from the park side of the fence. Hopefully, they can come and remove it so we don't have to resort to the drastic measure of a herbicide!!

On a brighter note, we have had great success with running a monthly Sunday Lunch club with lots of repeat visitors, and we usually sell out! Similarly, we've now held two Dessert Challenge Evenings where we serve a light main then 6 courses of dessert for the guests to sample and vote for their winner - a fun evening and always well attended. We have two Christmas Lunches arranged for this year (after selling out on the first one and a huge waiting list, we added a second date). Both are being held in the main hall and we have the delightful Pompey Pluckers coming to entertain us on both dates!

Looking ahead, we would like to invest in a more permanent garden structure in Spring 2024 as the gazebo we currently have is very popular with customers but, unfortunately, not too sturdy in the wind or particularly waterproof! A more sturdy, stable structure would really enable us to extend capacity for more months of the year. So, we are starting to look at potential funding resources, grants etc. .... so if you have any suggestions, we would love to hear from you!

Whilst hard work, I and the team are really enjoying the challenge of running two sites and are positive that we can make a real success of both of them for the local communities, and beyond, to enjoy!

Claire Callanan
Managing Director

TRUSTEES REPORTS

Performance & Achievements – Chair's Report

This past twelve months since our last AGM have been very busy indeed.

We were approached by the Trustees of Eastney Area Community Association, to see if we could help with the running of their Association, otherwise they would have been unable to continue A meeting was held, with the Trustees of both Associations present, and after a lot of discussion, it was agreed that we would help, but the Associations would not merge. Allison, was appointed as Co-Ordinator, to oversee what had to be done. This involved a lot of work for Alli, some of which was very complicated indeed. I would like it noted that we owe Alli, so much, not only for the workload she undertook, but also for her attitude, hard work and never giving up.

We are so lucky, to have Trustees, that support Alli and Kimberley at all times.

Another big thank you is to John and Val Peach, for all their help in decorating the foyer and halls, and Val for covering the office, when needed. This has helped Alli to be at Eastney Community Centre.

Thank you also to Les for all his help with maintenance and running two of the Section groups every week!

The bookings for both halls at Milton, have been good with private parties & functions almost doubling in number in the past year! The celebrations marking the Centenary of Milton Park and the coronation of our new King were very successful, and enjoyed by all.

The trips have been well supported, and enjoyed by all members, and once again many thanks to both Kimberley and Alli, for all their hard work, in organising these ventures.

There have been a few building and maintenance issues this year with persistent drainage/sewer problems, power cuts and ongoing investigations into the structure at the north west corner of the centre; possibly tree roots causing a problem. Hopefully, the council can rectify the problems soon! On a brighter note, we were very pleased and grateful that the council were able to replace our outdated hot water boilers for a more economical and efficient boiler.

We were successful in our CIL bid for a projector and a large screen for each hall. These have now been installed and we're already receiving enquiries for use of them with hire of the halls and, of course, are able to use them for our own presentations, eg our forthcoming Lapland trip!

Finally, Pure Ground Cafe, have also been doing well, and have in fact taken over the running of the Cafe in Bransbury Park, which I believe has been very successful so far.

I once again, would like to thank both Alli and Kimberley for all their hard work, remaining cheerful, and always smiling.

We look forward to a successful and more prosperous year ahead.

Bridget Tregoning
Chairperson

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Introduction

The day to day recording of income, the invoicing and the payment of bills is carried out on site by the office staff and all records are passed to the treasurer who produces the monthly finance reports for the Committee. The treasurer also prepares the books for the year end Independent Examination and production of accounts in the form required by the Charity Commission. These accounts are on the following pages and have been independently examined, and the certificate to confirm this is attached.

Outside of covid-19, the Charity usually has an agreed Reserves Policy and following Charity Commission recommendations has allocated within the Reserves a sum the equivalent of three months' operational costs. The trustees are also aware that provision should be made for redundancy costs, although there are no plans for redundancies at this time. The trustees also monitor the general condition of the premises to enable plans to be made for hall redecorations, garden improvements etc.

Performance & Achievements – Treasurer's Report

Please see the Financial Report.

Alan Gibbs
Honorary Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AGREED AND SIGNED ON THEIR BEHALF

....
Signed *Dated*

....
Name *Position*

Milton Village Community Association

Registered Charity 1003706

Financial Report 2022/23

Introduction

The Association runs many activities which are either based at the Milton Village Hall or are trips to a variety of destinations.

In the following paragraphs the previous year's figures are in brackets for comparison

The Hall based activities

These are accounted for within the Main bank account of the Association

The fee income from hirers and memberships are used to pay for the various running costs of the hall which also includes staff costs.

The Association made a Surplus in the year of £10.6k (£6.9k Deficit) which increases the total accumulated funds at the end of the year for the main account to £22.8k (£12.2k). The balance in the Deposit Account remained at £1k (£1k) throughout the financial year.

£10k of the surplus was the repayment by the Social Account to the Main Account of the transfer that happened in 21/22. Without this £10k repayment the Main account showed a small surplus which was despite considerable volatility in energy prices during the year.

The excursions or trips

These are accounted for within the Social bank account of the Association

The Association made a Surplus in the year of £4.8k (£10.4k Surplus). The balance of the Social Account rose as a result from £29.8k to £34.6k. This allowed for a planned transfer of £8k from the Social Account to the Main Account, in addition to the £10k transfer referred to above.

Independent Examination

The above accounts have been independently examined or audited, and the certificate to confirm this is attached.

Conclusion

The finances of the Association have increased from £42k as at March 2022 to £57k as at March 2023; an increase of £15k.

Thanks are due to Portsmouth City Council for its continued support of the Association; and my personal thanks go to Allison; her staff; and my fellow Committee members for all their help and support during the year

Alan Gibbs

Honorary Treasurer MVCA

Milton Village Community Association
Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2023

Incoming Resources	Notes	31/03/22	31/03/22	31/03/23	31/03/23
Main Account					
Rental Income		27,552.65		37,771.23	
Membership Fees		3,030.00		4,208.30	
Sundry		0.00		0.00	
Net Social Account Transfers		0.00		8,000.00	
PG Service Charge & Donation		4,812.50		4,950.00	
Public Toilet Income from PCC		0.00		0.00	
Portsmouth Lottery		48.00		53.50	
Eastney Management Fees		0.00		1,028.00	
Centre Events (Net Cost)		0.00		-841.52	
Bank Interest		0.12		0.00	
Covid Grants		17,907.66		0.00	
Social Account					
Trip Income		118,995.98		204,735.95	
Total Income			**172,346.91**		**259,905.46**
Resources Expended					
Main Account					
Salaries etc		34,991.04		39,059.79	
Premises Costs					
Electricity		7,726.80		7,595.92	
Gas		75.55		295.31	
Services		432.01		175.00	
Southern Water		0.00		0.00	
Portsmouth Water		233.60		149.10	
PCC Rates		176.90		472.11	
Refuse & Cleaning costs					
Waste & Nappy Unit		2,120.97		1,566.75	
Cleaning materials		1,146.56		1,268.86	
Office Costs					
Broadband		801.44		842.68	
Stationery /Publicity		455.80		520.17	
Photocopying		716.90		1,081.45	
Insurance		706.14		123.09	
Repairs & Renewals		172.52		771.75	
Miscellaneous		0.00		400.00	
Kitchen & Premises refurbishment		578.02		257.18	
Social Account					
Trip Expenditure		117,902.81		181,544.19	
Net Social Account Transfers		0.00		8,000.00	
Bank Charges etc		641.55		394.92	
Total Expenditure			**168,878.61**		**244,518.27**
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year			**3,468.30**		**15,387.19**

Milton Village Community Association
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

	Notes	31/03/22	31/03/22	31/03/23	31/03/23
Non current assets			0.00		0.00
			0.00		0.00
Current assets					
Bank	2	41,276.95		62,753.81	
Petty Cash		0.00		0.00	
Debtors and Prepayments		39,123.03		48,834.63	
Accruals		0.00		4,104.73	
		80,399.98		**115,693.17**	
Current Liabilities					
Creditors		0.00		0.00	
Accruals		0.00		1,028.00	
Third Party income		0.00		0.00	
Receipts in advance		38,413.00		57,291.00	
		38,413.00		**58,319.00**	
Current Assets less Current Laibilities			41,986.98		57,374.17
Total Assets			41,986.98		57,374.17
Financed By:					
Unrestricted funds					
Accumulated Fund Main Account	3		19,170.62		12,187.42
Surplus/(deficit)	3		-6,983.20		10,590.35
Balance C/F	3		12,187.42		22,777.77
Accumulated Fund Social Account	3		19,347.94		29,799.56
Surplus/(deficit)	3		10,451.62		4,796.84
Balance C/F	3		29,799.56		34,596.40
Total			41,986.98		57,374.17
			0.00		0.00

Milton Village Community Association
Notes to the Accounts

1 Accounting policies

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of recommended practice (SORP) for Charities and the Charities Act 2011.

2 Finances	31/03/22	31/03/23
Lloyds Bank Main Account	11,380.97	18,894.59
Lloyds Bank Deposit Account	806.45	806.45
Lloyds Bank Social Account	29,089.53	43,052.77
	41,276.95	62,753.81
	0.00	0.00

3 Statement of Movement in Reserves	Main	Social	Total
Balance as at 1/4/21	19,170.62	19,347.94	38,518.56
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	-6,983.20	10,451.62	3,468.42
Balance as at 31/3/22	12,187.42	29,799.56	41,986.98
			0.00
Balance as at 1/4/22	12,187.42	29,799.56	41,986.98
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	10,590.35	4,796.84	15,387.19
Balance as at 31/3/23	22,777.77	34,596.40	57,374.17
	0.00	0.00	0.00

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Milton Village Community Association		
On accounts for the year ended	31/03/23	**Charity no (if any)**	1003706
Set out on pages	I report on the accounts of the community association for the year ended March 2023 which are set out in the annual reports pack.		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/23

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:		**Date:**	20/11/2023
Name:	Matthew Green		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy		
Address:	23 Glasgow Road		
	Portsmouth		
	PO4 8HR		

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

MILTON MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

You are now invited to renew your membership for 2023-2024. An application form is enclosed and we are pleased to confirm that the membership fees will remain at £10 per adult & free for children on a family membership! Usual Ts & Cs apply.

We are pleased to offer the following facilities & services

- 2 Halls for Hire, one with garden
- Coffee Shop/Meeting Area to Hire
- Regular Groups & Activities
- Centre Events
- On-Site Coffee Shop
- Day Trips & Holidays
- Book, Puzzle, CD & DVD Swap

Parties at Milton Village Hall

Day time hire rates include 2 hours for your party plus 1 hour for set up & ½ hour for pack up.

Evening rates are effective from 6pm onwards (whole or part evening)

Main Hall:	Small Hall:	Both Halls:
£65 (Day)	£45 (Day)	£100 (Day)
£100 (Eve)	£70 (Eve)	£160 (Eve)

Members: Up to £10 off Party Rates!

Ask about party catering from our onsite coffee shop!

MVH CURRENT CLASSES & GROUPS

Monday

0945-1045	Music Mad	Tel. 07792924861
1330-1430	Curling for 60+	Office
1500-1600	Seated Keep Fit	Tel. 07816927237
1730-1830	Vinyasa Yoga	Tel. 07944625923
1900-2000	Boxercise **NEW!**	Tel. 07931876487
1745/1845	Dog/Puppy Training	Tel. 07596447721

Tuesday

0930-1030	Pilates	Tel. 07969595960
1100-1200	Adult Ballet	Tel. 07896872420
1400-1600	Cribbage Club	Tel. Office
1400-1600	Beetle Drive (m)	Tel. Office
1645/1830	Yoga	Tel. 02392735178
1800-2000	Tap Dancing	Tel. 07703780610

Wednesday

0945-1045	Music Mad	Tel. 07792924861
1045-1300	Bingo n Brunch (m)	Tel. Office
1315-1415	Keep Fit for 50+	Tel. 02392646868
1630-1830	Weight Watchers	Tel. 08457123000
1900-2100	Singing Workshop (m)	Tel. 07541470225
1915/2015	Dog/Puppy Training	Tel. 07596447721

Thursday

0930-1030	Weight Watchers	Tel. 08457123000
1130/1300	Home Ed Crafts	Tel. 07528306158
1330-1530	Bereavement Group(m)	Tel. 08081691922
1330-1530	Folk Band (m)	Tel. 07541470225
1600/1645	Children's Ballet	Tel. 07506946882
1700/1815/1930	Pilates	Tel. 07969595960
1930-2030	Line Dancing	Tel. 02392733081

Friday

0930/1645/1830	Yoga	Tel. 02392735178
0930-1130	Cribbage Club (All Levels)	Tel. Office
1415-1515	Beginners Line Dancing	Tel. 02392733081

Saturday

0900-1400	Theatre School of Dance *(starting January 2024)*	Tel. 07703780610
1930-2130	Improv Comedy' Drop-In (m)	Tel.07460268516

Sunday

1030-1130	AA Support	Tel. Office
1800-1900	12 Step Programme	Tel. Office

For activities marked (m), these groups meet monthly. Please contact the group for exact dates.

Milton Village

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Monday to Friday

Winter 2023-2024 Newsletter

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LOOKING FOR FRIENDLY REGULAR DROP-IN SESSIONS FOR 60+?

CURLING Mondays 1.30pm-2.30pm £2 (weekly)
CRIBBAGE Tuesdays 2pm-4pm £2 (weekly)
BEETLE DRIVE Tuesdays 2pm-4pm £2 (2nd monthly)
BINGO N BRUNCH Wednesdays 10.45am-1pm £3.50 (3rd monthly – includes light lunch)
CRIBBAGE Fridays 9.30am-11.30am £2 (weekly)

All welcome! No need to book!

CENTRE EVENTS (at both Milton & Eastney)

DROP-IN WITH PCC
Find out how to save fuel & money and get possibly free home enhancements!
Mon 18 Sep 10am-2pm
Milton Village Hall Foyer

PIZZA NIGHT is back With Sourdough Ted!
Tue 19 Sep 5pm-8pm
PG Coffee Shop Milton
Eat In or Take Away!

MICHELLE SULLIVAN PSYCHIC EVENINGS
Fridays 15 Sep & 27 Oct 7-9pm (Milton Village Hall)
Please contact Michelle on 07804592424 to book & more info

COMMUNITY LEGAL TALK
Wed 4 Oct 6pm
Milton Village Hall
Gordon is back by demand!
Inheritance Tax * Long Term Care Fees * Power of Attorney * Remarriage & more. FREE TALK

DINNER & DESSERT CHALLENGE
Thu 19 Oct 6pm PG Milton
A light, savoury main then 6 classic & seasonal desserts to try! Will your favourite be the winner? **£18.95 inc. all food & glass of fizz!**

RN Institute for the Deaf
Thu 19 Oct 2-3pm
Eastney Community Centre
Struggling to hear? Tinnitus? Someone close to you need help? Ask Questions! Advice!

Eastney Area C.A. Annual General Meeting
Thu 26 Oct 6pm
Eastney Community Centre
Light Refreshments Served

Milton Village C.A. Annual General Meeting
Thu 30 Nov 6.15pm
Milton Village Hall
Light Refreshments Served

CHRISTMAS LUNCH
Milton Main Hall
Tue 12 Dec 1.15pm
Delicious Christmas lunch, Treats & ***Pompey Pluckers!***
£20pp *(NM £22)*

Eastney Community Centre's Fantastic
CHRISTMAS FAIR
Sun 3 Dec 10am-2pm

Lots of stalls, fun & games! Santa & his amazing grotto* Café open with festive fayre! **Santa must be prebooked. Stall enqs welcome. All enquiries - please contact Eastney office on 02392 864306 or email eastneycc@gmail.com*

TRIPS & HOLIDAYS

Booking for new trips will be by **PHONE & EMAIL ONLY**, from **10am on Thursday 7 September for members only** (you must have renewed for 2023/2024)
(Members' priority booking period ends 12.30 Friday 8 Sep)
Please **phone 02392 873788 from 10am** or **email allisonmvca@hotmail.com any time from 7am**
(bookings won't be taken from email until 10am, in order received)
NB. During members' priority booking period, members may book for themselves plus 1 other, so an individual can book for her/himself plus 1 and a couple can book for themselves plus 2 others. Max 4 per booking. No limits apply after priority booking ends.

** Trips are in date order. (m) matinee (e) evening*
** ( ) Prices in brackets for non-members.*
**All trips include coach travel unless otherwise specified.*
**If an Existing Trip is showing Sold Out, it's always worth registering for cancellations!*
**Concessions may be available for some trips. *Usual Ts & Cs apply.*

EXISTING TRIPS

Date	Trip	Status
Sun 1 Oct (m)	Abba Voyage	Sold Out
Tue 3 Oct	Alfriston & Hotel Inspector Lunch	Sold Out
Sun 15 – Mon 16 Oct	**Oxford Escape (£129/£139)**	**Last Few Places**
Tue 31 Oct (e)	The Bodyguard Mayflower Theatre	Sold Out
Sun 10 – Mon 11 Dec	Thames Dinner CruiseTower Hotel	Sold Out
Tue 2 – 7 Jan 24	Finnish Lapland	Sold Out
Thu 25 Jan 24 (m)	Mrs Doubtfire London Show	Sold Out
Sun 15 Sep 24 (m)	Abba Voyage	Sold Out

NEW THEATRE TRIPS

Date	Trip	Price
Fri 29 Dec (e) Mayflower	**Snow White & 7 Dwarfs** 'Diversity'! *Ideal Xmas Pressie!*	£55 (£58)
Fri 23 Feb (m)	**Book of Mormon** *Hilarious! Outrageous!*	£65 (£69)
Thu 29 Feb (m)	**Hamilton** *Wow! We got tickets!*	£105 (£109)

NEW DAY TRIPS

Date	Trip	Price
Tue 24 Oct	**Bletchley Park – Codebreakers!** *Great day out for all the family!*	A £47 (£49) C £39 (£41)
Sat 25 Nov	**Battersea Power Station** *Shop, Eat Drink & Play + The Lift*	£27 (£29)
Sun 3 Dec	**Swanage & Polar Express Steam Train Adventure!**	£69 (£72)
Wed 6 Dec	**Christmas Lunch Blenheim Palace** *Delicious 2-course lunch.Sleeping Beauty theme in the Palace + lovely Xmas Market*	£81 (£85)
Sun 17 Dec	**Longleat Festive Lights**	A £72 (£75) C £62 (£65)

NEW SHORT BREAKS & HOLIDAYS 2024

29 Jan–2 Feb 5 Days	**Warners Bargain at Corton Resort, Suffolk** HB, Activities & Entertainment Cabaret Dining! Excursions! *Free Singles or just £40!*	£239 (£259)
23-27 April 24 5 Days	**Yorkshire Coast with Daishs** HB * Excursions & Entertainment! *Singles just£10*	£279 (£299)
14 Sep 24 6 or 7 days TBC	**Dublin & Belfast** Finalising details but loads Included - **Winterfell Castle - Game of Thrones * Titanic Giant's Causeway & more.** Great hotels, half board, plus free time in both cities!	Approx. £700 TBC *Please register interest!*
27-29 Nov 24 3 Days	**Thursford ChristmasSpectacular!** Beautiful Dunston Hallhotel To include great show seat	£289* (£309)* ** Estimated price included for show ticket*
9 Dec 24 5 Days	**Festive Scotland Gingerbread & Gin!** Lots included - Edinburgh Xmas Market * Perth * HB * Entertainment & More!	£359 (£379)