

Markbeech Village Hall

England & Wales · Charity number 1045794

Details

Other names MARKBEECH CLUB, MARK BEECH VILLAGE HALL

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1995-04-12

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: A PLACE OF RECREATION OR EDUCATION UNDER THE NAME OF THE MARKBEECH CLUB FOR THE USE OF PERSONS OF ALL CLASSES REGARDLESS OF SEX OF THE AGE OF 17 YEARS AND UPWARDS RESIDENT IN THE PARISH OF MARKBEECH OR WITHIN A DISTANCE OF 3 MILES THEREFROM AND OTHERWISE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE SAID PARISH.

Activities: Traditional Village Hall for use by local community, including Church for fund raising and other activities.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** THE PARISH OF MARKBEECH AND LOCALITY
- Kent

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£11,461	£9,217	-	-
2024-03-31	£14,072	£10,580	-	-
2023-03-31	£35,040	£61,822	-	-
2022-03-31	£18,627	£11,341	-	-
2021-03-31	£24,081	£3,539	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JAMES CALVOCORESSI	Chair	2021-09-16
CHARLES TALBOT		
John Adkins		2023-08-22

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Accounts

Welcome to the MBVH AGM in this our Centenary Year... and what a busy year it's been.

In my statement this time last year, I referred to our Centenary project, upgrading both kitchen and garden for an estimated cost of around £50k and was able to report the first success of our funding campaign, namely a grant of £9000 from the National lottery Community Fund. In the year under review, following further approaches to possible grant providers I'm pleased to say that the following generously donated a further £26,000:

The Bernard Sunley Foundation

The Foyle Foundation

The Garfield Weston Foundation

and The Kent Community Foundation representing David & Molly Borthwick.

Kent CC Combined Members Grant and Hever Parish Council also contributed a further £2000.

So together with our remaining £24k COVID related grants (after purchasing a new boiler and other items) we had a total cash pot of approx. £60,800 which at the time seemed more than enough to complete our projects. However whilst our kitchen project handled by Truebuild of Edenbridge, after a competitive tendering process, came in on budget at just short of £25k, our garden project, handled by Stuart Raeburn contractors exceeded budget by some margin largely for 2 reasons: 1) whilst preparing the ground, it was discovered that the boundary fence, which you walked past this evening had rotten foundations and had to be replaced at a cost of £5500 and 2) extra ground preparation and turfing of the area adjacent to the new paving, which appears to have been unforeseen at the time of acceptance of Stuart Raeburn's quote and which has recently been carried out by Chris St Pierre at a cost of £3600. So all in all we have spent a total of £61,500 on both projects.

As I had originally hoped that there would be at least £5000 left over from our COVID grants to put towards other things such as renewing our flat roof,(which has a couple of years life left at most), and whilst our project was still a work in progress, I put my fundraising hat on again and as Committee members will know I received a further donation of £5000 from my friend and former client Crispin Odey a few weeks ago. I now believe that

MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

Bank balances at 1 April, 2022			
Lloyds Current Account		5071	
Lloyds Damage Account		26602	
Virgin Deposit Account	(See note below)	<u>9588</u>	41261
Investments - Edentree Fund			
Value at 1 April, 2022			<u>11085</u>
			52346
Movement in year to 31 March, 2023			
Interest Received		35	
Excess of income over expenditure (see page 2)		2194	
Deficit on capital account (see page 3)		-28811	
Fall in value of investments		<u>-256</u>	-26838
			<u>25508</u>

Represented By:

Bank Balances at 31 March, 2023			
Lloyds Current Account		1046	
Lloyds Damage Account		5633	
Skipton Building Society	(See note below)	<u>8000</u>	14679
Investments - Edentree Fund			
Value at 31 March, 2023			<u>10829</u>
			<u>25508</u>

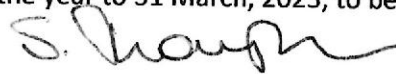
Note. The Virgin deposit account was closed on 18 May, 2022. £8,000 was deposited in a new deposit account with the Skipton Building Society and the balance was transferred to the current account at Lloyds Bank.

Independent Examiner's Report

In connection with my examination, in my opinion the accounts set out on pages 1 to 3, have been prepared in accordance with the accounting records and enable a proper understanding of the financial position of Markbeech Village Hall for the year to 31 March, 2023, to be reached.


N Irens, Chartered Accountant

Date 15, May 2023


S. THOMPSON HON TREASURER

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Year to 31.3.22		Year to 31.3.23
	INCOME	
6937	Hire of Hall	7069
993	Events (Bingo night)	0
<u>7930</u>		<u>7069</u>
	LESS: EXPENDITURE	
100	Advertising	100
456	Boiler maintenance	910
0	Cesspool maintenance	102
100	Cleaning	230
63	Council tax	124
0	Decorating	965
235	Electricity	-7
48	Fire inspection	84
366	Garden maintenance	350
754	Insurance	829
720	Oil	659
0	Repairs	120
412	Sound System	0
799	Stage curtains	0
101	Subscriptions	60
233	Sundry expenses	122
159	Water rates	80
11	Website expenses	72
90	4647 Window cleaning	75
<u>3283</u>		<u>4875</u>
	Excess of income over expenditure	<u>2194</u>

Note 1 Hire of hall includes montly rent of £386 received from Wellyboots, total £4,632.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

	Year to 31.3.23	
Grants received		28000
Less: Project expenditure		
Boundry fence	5531	
Garden project	26512	
Kitchen project	<u>24768</u>	56811
Excess of Expenditure over income		<u>28,811</u>

Other things to note during the year, I applied for and we received recognition from HMRC as a Charity which therefore means we qualify for the Government's Gift Aid scheme. We also produced a Safeguarding Policy which is becoming almost compulsory in Village halls. Wellyboots, the pre nursery school have been continuing to pay us a monthly retainer to keep their options open on renting the hall in term time and Steve is preparing to put on another of our popular Race Nights in the autumn, delayed from last year. Meanwhile bookings remained steady during the year taking into account closure when the kitchen was being constructed and the new year got off to a good start although we are currently entering a quieter period. Our immediate focus is to prepare for our Centenary Party on 27th August and increase everyone's awareness of our new kitchen and garden which we hope will make the Hall an even more desirable place to hold an event, which in turn will lead to an increase in bookings.

JC May 2023