

STRATFORD ST ANDREW & FARNHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

CHARITY NUMBER 1072551

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

STRATFORD ST ANDREW & FARNHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Charity Number 1072251

Correspondence Address

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Trustees

The following Trustees have served during the year, unless indicated otherwise:

Joshua Sugrue (appointed 05 January 2026) (resigned 15 March 2026)

Steven Horner (resigned 06 November 2025)

Hilary Plant

Rosemary Conibeer

Dolores Horner (resigned 23 April 2026)

David Pass

Jacqueline Plant (resigned 23 April 2026)

Professional Advisors

Legal Advisors –

Pulham & Co, Market Place, Saxmundham, Suffolk, IP17 1AG

Bankers –

HSBC, 20 High Street, Saxmundham, Suffolk, IP17 1DB

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Independent Examiners –

Helen Rumsey FCA, Ensors, Blyth House, Rendham Road, Saxmundham, Suffolk, IP17 1WA

History, Objectives and Activities

The charity was registered in November 1998 to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objectives of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants of Stratford St Andrew and Farnham by the establishment, maintenance, and management of a community centre.

The charity aimed to raise funds and build a new community centre to replace the existing hall which was run by a separate charity. This was built in the 1920's and was no longer viable. Funds were successfully raised; land was leased from Stratford St Andrew Parish Council and the hall was built. The new hall was officially opened in March 1998. Surrounding land of 5.2 acres was purchased for amenity purposes. An extension to the hall was added, largely from self-generated funds.

Management and Governance Arrangements

The Trust Deed provides for a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 8 trustees. Were there a requirement for new trustees, these would be identified and appointed by the remaining trustees. The chair of trustees is responsible for the induction of any new trustee which involves awareness of a trustee's responsibilities, the governing document, administrative procedures, the history and philosophical approach of the charity. A new trustee would receive copies of the previous year's annual report and

accounts and a copy of the Charity Commission leaflet 'The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know'.

The trustees annually review the risks that the charity faces. To date these have mainly related to the management and the running of the community centre.

Achievements and Performance

The Trustees continue to carry out their duties with regard to the management of the Centre, which is maintained to a very high standard. The main purchases this year has been a new exit door, a new oil tank and chairs for the Parrot Bar. We have also purchased a new laptop, and a 6 burner barbecue. A lot of maintenance has been done on the equipment in the Centre this year, and the Trustees are aware that funds need to be reserved for equipment that might have to be replaced.

Financial Review, Investment Policy and Reserves

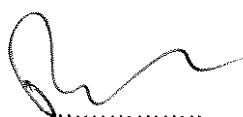
The net overall result for the year was an operating surplus of £2,011, compared to the previous year's net deficit of £1,503.

The accounts are monitored on a regular basis and monthly updates are given to the Trustees. The hall charges have been reviewed and uplifted to offset the increased costs of running the Centre. Money is transferred from the Riverside Social account to the SSA and FCC account when needed, any surplus funds are transferred to the CCLA account for unexpected capital expenditure, and to continue paying off the PWLB loan which was taken out when the building was first erected.

Future Plans

The Trustees will endeavour to get increased bookings for the hall this coming year so that they can continue to make improvements to the Centre. They plan to weather the current financial situation as best they can to keep the Riverside busy. There is likely to be some upheaval with the new road being built, but they see this as an opportunity to continue to provide a welcoming place for hirers of the hall, the members and the community.

All Trustees are aware of their duties to maintain the Centre to a very high standard and to keep a close check on all financial decisions



David Pass
Acting Chair

STRATFORD ST ANDREW & FARNHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Stratford St Andrew & Farnham Community Centre for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

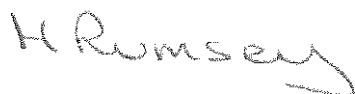
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



HELEN RUMSEY FCA
ENSORS
BLYTH HOUSE
SAXMUNDHAM
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DATE: 28/04/2026

STRATFORD ST ANDREW & FARNHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	All unrestricted funds	
	2025	2024
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM		
Voluntary Income	20,872	18,779
Government Grants	-	-
Income from Investments	992	832
Community Centre Activities	25,573	19,577
Miscellaneous Income	2,250	1,972
Total Income	<u>49,687</u>	<u>41,160</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Fundraising & Trading Costs	-	-
Community Centre Costs	45,757	39,508
Other Expenditure	1,919	3,155
Total Resources Expended	<u>47,676</u>	<u>42,663</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	2,011	(1,503)
Balance brought forward	234,409	235,912
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD	<u>236,420</u>	<u>234,409</u>

STRATFORD ST ANDREW & FARNHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	£	2025	£	£	2024	£
Tangible Assets							
Fixed Assets	2			211,826			216,019
Current Assets							
Prepayments			538			-	
Debtors			998			1,124	
Cash at bank & in hand			27,938			23,569	
			<u>29,474</u>			<u>24,693</u>	
Creditors (due within 1 year)							
Community Centre Costs			879			-	
Income in Advance			450			360	
Public Works Loans			3,551			5,944	
			<u>4,880</u>			<u>6,304</u>	
Net Current Assets				<u>24,594</u>			<u>18,389</u>
Total assets less current liabilities				236,420			234,409
Creditors (due in over 1 year)	4			-			-
				<u>236,420</u>			<u>234,409</u>
Reserves							
General Fund							
Brought Forward				234,409			235,912
Surplus for the year				2,011			(1,503)
				<u>236,420</u>			<u>234,409</u>

STRATFORD ST ANDREW & FARNHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Preparation of accounts on a going concern basis

The assessment of the trustees is that the charity is a going concern.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has sufficient certainty that the receipt of income is probable and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources. The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly expenditure is shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Land – not depreciated
Buildings – 2.5% reducing balance
Equipment – 7.5% reducing balance
Playground Equipment – 7.5% reducing balance

STRATFORD ST ANDREW & FARNHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land	Buildings	Equipment	Playground Equipment	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£	£
COST					
At 1 January 2025	20,356	335,261	67,107	32,085	454,810
Additions	-	-	4,734	-	4,734
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2025	20,356	335,261	71,841	32,085	459,544
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 January 2025	-	179,991	40,516	18,283	238,790
Charge for the year	-	3,925	2,866	2,136	8,927
On disposal	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2025	-	183,916	43,382	20,419	247,717
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 1 January 2025	20,356	155,270	26,591	13,802	216,019
At 31 December 2025	20,356	151,345	28,459	11,666	211,826

3. FUNDING FOR BUILDING

Grants received in 1998 amounted to £85,000 from the National Lottery Charities Board Community Fund. Also £31,490 in 2003 from the sale of the "Old Hut".

4. LONG TERM LOANS

These consist of Public Works Loans via the Parish Council.

	2025	2024
	£	£
Public Works Loans – due within 1 year	3,551	5,944
Public Works Loans – due after 1 year	-	-
	<u>3,551</u>	<u>5,944</u>

**STRATFORD ST ANDREW & FARNHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
DETAILED INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Voluntary Income:				
Riverside Social Club	20,551		18,519	
Donations	<u>321</u>		<u>260</u>	
		20,872		18,779
Government Grants				
ESDC Grants	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
		-		-
Activities for Generating Funds				
Fundraising Income	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
		-		-
Trading Income:				
Hall Lettings	25,573		19,577	
Vending Machine	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
		25,573		19,577
Investment Income:				
Interest Received		992		832
Miscellaneous Income:				
E-on Receipts – Solar Panels	<u>2,250</u>		<u>1,972</u>	
		2,250		1,972
Total Income		<u>49,687</u>		<u>41,160</u>
Expenditure				
Direct charitable re Riverside Centre				
Booking Clerk	8,472		6,804	
Energy	7,483		10,058	
Insurance	1,700		1,838	
Cleaning	3,152		3,180	
Telephone	834		1,048	
Water rates	935		11	
Repairs and equipment	8,728		2,811	
Refuse Collection	882		1,118	
Licenses	871		906	
Playground Inspection	120		118	
Grounds	3,156		2,651	
Depreciation	8,927		8,758	
Stationery	347		207	
Advertising	<u>150</u>		<u>-</u>	
		45,757		39,508
Governance Costs				
Sundry Expenses	1,461		1,289	
Professional Fees	792		756	
Bookkeeping Fees	603		657	
Loan Interest adjustment	(996)		372	
Bank charges	<u>59</u>		<u>81</u>	
		1,919		3,155
Total Expenditure		<u>47,676</u>		<u>42,663</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure		<u>2,011</u>		<u>(1,503)</u>