

Great Chart Village Hall - Chairman's Report 2021

Like all village and community halls Great Chart Village Hall had been affected by the lockdowns and restrictions due to corona virus. These created problems for people and organisations that had the hall booked for regular activities, parties and weddings to name but a few. We are grateful for their return and are pleased to welcome back regular bookings.

The kitchen should now be able to be used again and this has proved to be very popular with hirers requiring catering facilities for party bookings at the weekend, helping to maintain and increase the number of weekend bookings. This has had a beneficial effect of allowing the trustees to maintain very reasonable hiring fees for local community groups using the hall.

During the course of the enforced closure the trustees were busy tackling maintenance and updating tasks to ensure the hall was welcoming when it returned to normal use. The boundary fence on the car park side of the hall was in a poor, sad state and after several quotes we have had it replaced with a good picket fence, making it secure for children's activities/parties.

The main and secondary stage curtain tracks have been repaired several times and have now reached the end of their useful life. The trustees have agreed that a company that specializes in stage facilities is to replace them this year. A new fire proofed, front stage curtain has been ordered, as the existing curtain has been repaired several times is now starting to disintegrate. The secondary curtain is to be washed and treated to make it fire proof before rehangng.


The next major project is to have the hall floor renovated again as it appears to be suffering from dampness. On investigation it would appear to be a combination of trapped moisture aggravated by the use of a cleaning/antibac solution being used during the pandemic. The advice is to have the surface stripped back and wax finish applied that will allow the wood to breath and be cleaned with a special product to maintain its appearance, though this may require more maintenance.

The finances are looking secure, we are starting to be able to build up some reserves, as with any old building repairs tend to be more expensive to rectify.

We have been fortunate to receive grants to maintain the hall throughout the pandemic to ensure it can continue to serve the community in future.

I would like thank my fellow Trustees, the parish council and ABC, along with the local community for their continued support to allow this local village hall to be so successful.

Paul Tate
Chairman GCVH



August 2022.

Great Chart Village Hall Accounts

25/10/2022 12:39

As at

31/12/2021

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Opening Balances:	Lloyds Current Account	4,878.25
	COIF	13,462.77
	Cash	2.82
		<u>18,343.84</u>

Hall deposits included in opening bank balance: 500.00

Receipts:

Hall Bookings	6,743.00
Donations	150.00
Fund Raising	0.00
Grant ABC	18,193.29
Interest	1.61
	<u>25,087.90</u>

Expenses:

Gas	747.00
Electricity	295.71
Insurance	909.48
Caretaker	2,710.00
Water Rates	280.05
Booking Clerk	1,800.00
Building	2,667.92
Sundry	757.58
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Hall Cover Received	1,600.00
Hall Cover Refunded	<u>1,400.00</u>
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Funds Held at: 31-Dec-21 33,464.00

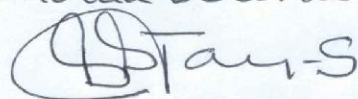
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Lloyds Current Account	19,996.80
COIF	13,464.38
Cash	2.82

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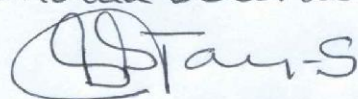
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