



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1 ST	APRIL	2024		31 ST	MARCH	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

GRAVENEY & GOODNESTONE VILLAGE HALL

Other names charity is known by

NONE

Registered charity number (if any)

1073958

Charity's principal address

C/O 23 MURTON PLACE

GRAVENEY

KENT

Postcode

ME13 9DX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	E.COOPER	CHAIR		
2	C.RELF	TREASURER		
3	J.HOWARD	TRUSTEE		
4	J.SMITH	TRUSTEE		
5				
6				
7				
8				

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Financial planning. Planning improvements. Planning and obtaining grant funding.	C.RELF	23 Murton Place Graveney Kent ME13 9DX

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONVEYANCE DATED 16TH SEPTEMBER 1947
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	OTHER
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Community members that show an interest in the charity either ask or are encouraged to apply.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Policies and documentation from the charity commission are provided along with an explanation of what the charities objectives are and what is involved to all potential trustee.

Contact with other local Village Hall Charities is made from time to time to help with best practices from those with more experience. The Charity seeks advise and guidance from ACRE.

Safety of hirers and visitors is paramount. The grounds are regularly inspected and defects corrected as soon as possible. Play equipment is annually inspected by certificated personnel as is the electrical safety with in the village hall.

Safety certification is then provided to the Charities insurers.

Financial Governance is very important to the continued viability of the Charity and for this reason a local document was created highlighting the risks.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The following text is taken from the charities Governing document:

FOR THE PURPOSES OF PHYSICAL AND MENTAL TRAINING AND RECREATION AND SOCIAL MORAL AND INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF READING AND RECREATION ROOMS LIBRARY LECTURES CLASSES RECREATIONS AND ENTERTAINMENTS OR OTHERWISE AS MAY BE FOUND EXPEDIENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISHES OF GOODNESTONE AND GRAVENEY IN THE COUNTY OF KENT AND ITS IMMEDIATE VICINITY WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX OR OF POLITICAL RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Charity provides a safe, clean, and inviting premises for clubs and social events to be held for the benefit of all those attending.

The trustees were very aware that the cost of energy was a financial burden and one that could cause its closure. Through grant support two solar generation systems was installed in July 2024.

These improvements continue to maintain and improve the village hall for all. In doing so the Village Hall continues to be an asset to both the communities of Goodnestone with Graveney and the local area.

Though many decades have passed since the original idea for a village hall was conceived the principles of the Governing document are as current today as they were then.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The charity does not make any grants to individuals or other organisations.

The charity has no arrangements in place to make any financial investments.

The charity has one volunteer whom regularly contributes over 20 hours of their time each week. This work is both hands on and IT/Office based in researching/applying for grants.

Section D

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The charity planned and successfully installed a solar generation system during the 2024/25 financial year.

This work was carried out with sponsorship from, Swale Borough Council, and a number of local trusts to the value of £20K.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees continue to financially plan ahead and to hold funds to cover the costs of two years utility bills and insurances to the value of approximately £6K.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

NONE

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Income source:

The principal income for the 2024/25 financial year was from Grants.

It is only through these grants that the Graveney & Goodnestone Charity has been able to invest in such expensive improvements for the benefit of the local communities.

Financial Commitments:

The Charity is very aware that funds are limited, and their first objective and responsibility is to comply with their financial commitments.

These are the annual insurance and energy charges. Hall income is primarily identified with these financial commitments before being used for any other purpose.

Investment's:

The Charity does not make any financial investments.

Section F

Other optional information

The increase in energy cost is the main concern for the charity. These costs cannot just be included into the hire charge as hirers have the same financial commitments themselves. Therefore, with-out being a burden to the local council a solar project saw a two-part generation system installed in July 2024.

The Village Hall directly benefits from the generated electricity and also exports surplus back onto the local grid system for reward. The income from this will help offset the Village Halls energy costs.

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	ER Cooper	ER Cooper
Full name(s)	Elaine Rose Cooper	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairperson	
Date		



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/2024	To	31/03/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
HIRE	11,053	-	-	11,053	6,284
GRANT	-	24,000	-	24,000	5,700
INSURANCE ADJ	25	-	-	25	-
SOLAR PROJECT	-	15,422	-	15,422	-
SOLAR INCOME/CREDIT	552	-	-	552	-
NATIONAL LOTTERY	-	-	-	-	3,379
DONATIONS	-	-	-	-	90
KCC	-	-	-	-	1,000
CG TRUST	-	-	-	-	27,852
SBC	-	-	-	-	500
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	11,630	39,422	-	51,052	44,805
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	11,630	39,422	-	51,052	44,805
A3 Payments					
CLEANING	1,752	-	-	1,752	1,349
AUDIT	100	-	-	100	-
DEPOSIT REFUND	550	-	-	550	607
BUILDING COSTS	997	-	-	997	-
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL	2,087	-	-	2,087	659
HEAT & LIGHT	1,493	-	-	1,493	1,571
WATER	181	-	-	181	356
FENCING	1,002	-	-	1,002	1,566
GROUND MAINT/EQUP	582	-	-	582	19,440
MISC GOODS	665	-	-	665	4,439
INSURANCE	1,151	-	-	1,151	1,105
SOLAR INTERNET	165	-	-	165	-
EXERCISE EQUIPMENT	-	-	-	-	1,674
SAFETY	-	-	-	-	134
HIRE REFUND	450	-	-	450	-
Sub total	11,175	-	-	11,175	32,900
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
SOLAR PROJECT	17,905	-	-	17,905	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	17,905	-	-	17,905	-
Total payments	29,080	-	-	29,080	32,900
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 17,450	39,422	-	21,972	11,905
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	19,682	10,465	-	30,147	18,242
Cash funds this year end	2,232	49,887	-	52,119	30,147

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		17,450	39,422	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	2,232	49,887	-
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		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	FREEHOLD PROPERTY	Endowment	-	-
	(transferred to The Officel Trustee of		-	-
	Charity Lands on 13th April 1948)		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

GRAVENY AND GOODNESTONE VILLAGE HALL

On accounts for the year
ended

31st MARCH 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1073958

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/03/2025**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

Signed:

Date:

21/04/2025

Name:

MELANIE REGAN-BROWN

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

MICB PM.dip ICB 22401

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Section B

Disclosure

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