

Gosbeck Community Village Hall



Charity Number - 1075291

Annual Report April 2025



Trustees as at 31st March 2024

T Mullee -Chair
T Monahan – Vice Chair

A Jenner – Treasurer
A Jenner – Secretary
H Chittock– Events
R Coonz - Events
E Monaghan – Trustee
R Prodger – Trustee
M Prodger – Trustee
C Nugent – Trustee
S Bennett – Trustee
H Bennett – Trustee
N Hollas - Trustee

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Legal Status

Gosbeck Village Hall is established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is registered as such with the Charities Commission under number 1075291. The operating name of the CIO is Gosbeck Community Village Hall.

Chair's Remarks

The purpose of this annual report, which will be made available on our website (<http://www.gosbeckvillagehall.org/>), is to ensure that residents can be confident in how this important village asset is being managed and cared for. The committee also want to encourage engagement and involvement with current events, gather ideas for future events and market the hall space to hire for functions.

The year ending 31st March 2025 has been stable for the bookings and activities within the Hall including hosting regular village hall events, the Inclusive Opportunities Group, the Soup lunch, the Dunwich Dynamo, the East Suffolk Morris Men, Pilates and ad-hoc bookings events.

Works and investments in the hall have included redecoration of the toilets and corridor. We are also currently reviewing grants for a new car park area and septic tank which has been delayed to waiting for the new lease agreement to be signed by the Helmingham estate trustees. We have also sought grants for additional solar panels which will take place later in 2025. We have had works carried for a new patio and fencing, which has greatly enhanced the external presentation of the Hall which was paid for by Village Hall funds.

Working as a valuable space within the remit of the Village Hall the Gosbeck Goose is going from strength to strength manned voluntarily by committee members who have kindly given up their time to cover the bar during events (Village Hall, private, and Goose nights on the last Fridays of the month).

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Village Hall Committee for their continued support in maintaining the hall and arranging events. The time and dedication given by the Trustees is recognized through the success of the Hall and the positive feedback we received from the community and visitors.

Best regards

Toby Mullee - Chairman

Activity During the Year

The Committee has hosted several successful events and these include:

- **Last Friday of every month** - Gosbeck Goose nights
- **May 2024 – Eurovision Night** to celebrate the song contest – This was poorly attended so the decision was made by the Committee not to repeat the event in 2025
- **July 2024 - Dunwich Dynamo** event which the Village Hall is a pit stop for the cyclists overnight. I cannot thank the Committee Members & local community enough for the time given to this and also all the kind donations of cakes and savouries! The event raised £5300, and we also made a charitable donation to the inclusive opportunities group of £500
- **September 2024 – We had the annual End of Summer BBQ** which was enjoyed by the local community and also visitors from surrounding villages
- **October 2024– Music Quiz** night kindly organized and hosted by Simon Bennett who did a fabulous job as the quizmaster. This was a very successful event with circa 100 people in attendance
- **December 2024– The Christmas Tree light switch** on and festivities . Thank you Richard C for organizing the tree!
- **New Years Eve party 2024**
- **January 2025 – Cake and Coffee morning** which was provided free of charge to encourage the community to come together.
- **March 2025– St Patricks** night with bar and live music

Finance

The Committee manage the assets of the charity in accordance with the prevailing governing document.

The treasurer is responsible for the day-to-day management of the charity's finances, implementing the decisions of and reporting to the committee. The treasurer provides financial updates throughout the year at committee meetings where we discuss any substantial changes to income or expenditure.

The best value is always sought when agreeing to purchase equipment or services for the hall. All financial decisions are taken by the committee and in full knowledge of the current and predicted financial situation.

The committee considers all factors when spending the funds of the Village Hall factoring what will bring the best for the Hall and the Community that utilize it. In this respect we use the funds wisely to ensure there are adequate reserves to allow for unexpected problems with the building.

The draft Income and expenditure for the year illustrates the following summary.

- Total income for the year from events & Grants **£32,177.13**
- **Total outgoings were £32,177.13**
 - £1869 spent on day-to-day operational costs
 - £12,269 spent on Hall improvements and maintenance
 - £8019 spent on event costs
 - £3928 on Utilities (Electricity and water)
 - £1,509 spent on licences/rent
 - £866 on website and broadband
 - £1240 Donations made
- **Hall Assets - £15,320:**
 - Cash - £747
 - Bank Balance - £14,573

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2025

Income		Expenditure	
	£		£
Lettings	20,050.00	Electricity	3,745.67
Solar panel electricity fed in to National Grid	£ -	Water & sewerage	£ 182.87
		Caretaking / cleaning	£ 1,869.00
Grants (SCC / MSDC)	£ 310.00	Licenses & rent	£ 1,509.51
Event & Misc income	£ 11,793.55	Renewals, repairs, maintenance	£ 12,269.07
Savings Interest	£ 23.58	Insurance	£ 1,285.18
		Website & Broadband	£ 866.35
		Event Costs	£ 8,019.27
		Donations Made / Refunds / Other	£ 1,240.00
		Balance, being excess of income over expenditure	£ 1,190.21
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**Balance Sheet as at 31st March
2024**

Liabilities

**Village Hall Fund as at
1st Apr 2024**

Assets

Represented by:

	£
	13,445.6
Bank Balance	2
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Cash in Hand	684.45
Add excess income over expenditure during year	£
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Bank Balance
Savs Balance
Cash in hand

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