

ETCHINGHAM TRUST FOR SPORTS AND RECREATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1076642

Details

Other names	THE ETCHINGHAM TRUST
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1999-07-19
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF ETCHINGHAM IN THE COUNTY OF EAST SUSSEX AND OF THE IMMEDIATELY ADJOINING PARISHES TO THE SAID PARISH OF ETCHINGHAM (HEREINAFTER CALLED " THE AREA OF BENEFIT") WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, INCLUDING USE FOR SPORTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES, MEETINGS, LECTURES AND CLASSES AND FOR OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS

Activities: To deliver and run the community facilities for the village of Etchingham suitable for indoor sports, theatrical and film performances, for clubs and social occasions.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF ETCHINGHAM IN THE COUNTY OF EAST SUSSEX AND OF THE IMMEDIATELY ADJOINING PARISHES
- East Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	-	-	-	-
2024-07-31	£20,872	£31,548	-	-
2023-07-31	£26,343	£25,627	-	-
2022-07-31	£19,800	£27,052	-	-
2021-07-31	£55,551	£30,964	-	-
2020-07-31	£34,226	£28,332	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ETCHINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL		2022-11-10

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FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31.7.2023

Income & Expenditure Account		2021-22	2022-23
Income			
Village Hall Bookings	£10,770.06	£15,791.62	
Parish Council contribution	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	
Donations/ Grants	£2,667.00	£5,000.00	
Fundraising	£169.85	£145.30	
100 club	£4,340.00	£4,200.00	
HMRC - Furlough payment	£720.00	£0.00	
Bank Interest Received	£1.80	£92.73	
Misc	£131.32	£113.48	
	£19,800.03	£26,343.13	
Expenditure			
C Richards	£7,200.00	£4,900.00	
C Richards Expenses	£0.00	£198.51	
Mobile Phone	£303.24	£331.73	
Hall running costs	£17,497.86	£18,236.46	
Village Hall Refunds	£0.00	£207.00	
Insurance	£800.95	£833.23	
Admin expenses	£0.00	£75.00	
HMRC - PAYE & NICs	£0.00	£0.00	
Fundraising expenses	£0.00	£0.00	
100 Club	£1,250.00	£845.00	
Grants / Donations	£0.00	£0.00	
AV - cable, consultancy, lights and po	£0.00	£0.00	
Sports Equipment	£0.00	£0.00	
	£27,052.05	£25,626.93	
Profit/(loss) for the period	(£7,252.02)	£716.20	
Capital Expenditure	£0.00	£0.00	
Balance Sheet			
Bank Accounts	£1,854.36	£453.21	
Current account			
Deposit account	£20,001.99	£25,094.72	
Village Hall Booking Account	£11,969.79	£8,994.41	
Petty cash	£34.21	£34.21	
Net Assets / Liabilities	£33,860.35	£34,576.55	
Represented by:			
Accumulated funds at 1st August	£41,112.37	£33,860.35	
Surplus/(Deficit) for the period	(£7,252.02)	£716.20	
Capital expenditure	£0.00	£0.00	
Accumulated funds at 31st July	£33,860.35	£34,576.55	

Hon. Treasurer: *[Signature]* Date: *[Date]*
 Audited and found correct: *[Signature]* Date: *21/11/23*
 Auditor: *E.H. SMITH BA FCII FRM Dip.FFS*

Chairman's Report AGM 2023
Etchingham Trust for Sports & Recreation
Registered Charity 1076642

This is my very first report as Chairman of ETSR since I assumed the role this year on behalf of the new Trustee the Etchingham Parish Council (EPC).

It covers the period from the Chairman's Report and AGM in November 2022 until today's AGM. This is a report which highlights the current economic climate, it's impact upon the Halls income, measures taken to try to improve income from use of the Halls and the new ETSR's Trustee, the EPC.

Review of the Year

As you will see from the accounts for the last 12 x months, hiring income for the year has grown by approximately 50% for the year now that the dreaded Covid has waned. Whilst many of our regular hirers have continued with their activities, we still need to entice the use of the halls, notably for weekend children's parties.

As new Trustees we are committed to ensure the growth of this valuable facility to maximise its potential as a hub for village activities.

At this time, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the outgoing persons (you know who you are) who have given so much time and effort in the past years both behind the scenes and on the front line, underpinning the importance of the ETSR both in financial and physical activity.

As your new Chairperson, I have instigated a Marketing Strategy which although in its infancy (early days - as they say) will explore all opportunities currently enjoyed by all of our adjoining villages and amenities to attempt to encompass anything Etchingham could expand upon and develop in the future.

During the current year the Trustees have broadly discussed making a small increase in the hourly charged rates for hall hire due to increasing outgoings and inevitable energy cost rises and these will be finalised in the coming months. It should be noted that the School Heating System Controls are currently not working correctly and ETSR have been informed that we will be obliged to make the relevant contribution to the repair. To this end ETSR will have to establish some additional fund raising to cover these costs and any ideas and suggestions would be greatly appreciated

The village halls remain a fantastic asset, probably amongst the best in East Sussex. These attributes are demonstrated by the regular use of the Hall(s) by clubs and associations.

Buildings of this quality come with substantial costs. Significant payments are required on a monthly basis to support our contracted commitments which largely reflect the nature of a shared premises structure with the school. These include site maintenance and management, cleaning, electricity, fuel, insurance, facilities testing and many more. To these must be added ETSR's own administration costs.

Since taking over the management of the Halls, historically it has become apparent that we have never been able to cover these total costs from bookings income alone, with the obvious exception of the Local and General Election contract. Efforts to bridge this shortfall have historically fallen into the category of fund raising. Given all the above and in the absence of a major funding raising initiative in the past, the Trustees are still increasingly concerned with securing the future viability of the Halls through diverse routes, hence the instigation of a marketing strategy to develop additional income/activity.

There have been discussions with the school at Joint Management Committee level to develop alternative energy sources and a Local Authority Survey has been carried out. At present there is no funding route available to the ETSR and the school and the metering infrastructure is such that detailed use of energy is not available. The % costs that ETSR have to procure for energy for our facility needs to be considered in the future and ETSR would welcome any villagers with experience in determining such values to come forward and assist us in ensuring that our commitments fall in line with our usage moving forward.

Unlike the position of three years ago, when retained cash balances had fallen to the equivalent of approximately one year's income shortfall, deliberations have taken place against the background of a relatively healthy cash balance held by ETSR, as detailed in the presented accounts. With my financial cap on, we all are aware that due to the rampant inflation we have experienced in the last 12 months, in real terms our assets are diminishing.

A solution was agreed whereby the existing individual Trustees have been replaced by the Parish Council as Sole Trustee. The Parish Council has always been Custodian Trustee for ETSR, effectively guaranteeing ETSR and most importantly the existence of the halls for their intended use by the village and the wider community. By adopting this current structure, ETSR remains as an entity and within the guidelines set by the Charities Commission. Changes in the Trustee do not impact upon the lease, nor the underlying objectives of the Trust Deed for ETSR, nor the operation of the Joint Management Committee with the school.

The automatic booking system and increased direct access to the halls for all hirers is still in its infancy but seems to be working well.

The outgoing Trustees and Administrator have implemented that during the transition period they worked closely with the Parish Council to make the handover of duties as smooth as possible and a checklist of practical matters was worked through, and in fact are still assisting the new administration. All retiring Trustees agreed to continue their support, for which the new Trustee thanks you, with practical matters such as opening and closing of the halls and volunteering to assist with larger events in the future. Even with the participation of Parish Council representatives to this body of supporters, as your Chair, I urgently appeal for more people from the village to come forward to help with the practicalities of running the halls and to involve themselves in more and varied use of the buildings.

Financial Performance and Fundraising

The Treasurer's report covers our financial year from the 1st of August 2022 until the 31st of July 2023.

The figures reflect many of the above comments, with the noticeable increase in hall bookings experienced in the last 12 x months.

Through careful administration, hall running costs have again been kept as low as possible and in fact represent a true snapshot of where we currently see ourselves.

On behalf of the new Trustee, EPC, (of which I am also Vice Chair) I would like to take this opportunity to thank Paulette and our new recruit Olga for their continued and determined support in all things Admin and I would personally like to thank them for guiding me through the various protocols required in maintaining my position.

The splendidly supported Monthly Draw 100 club, now ably managed by Olga, continues to provide regular income. Thank you to all of our participants. Likewise, thank you to Mary Barnes for arranging her annual plant sale, and the untiring efforts of John Barnes and the other members of the EPC for their support since taking over this prestigious organisation.

Trustees, JMC and other thanks

This has been a challenging year for a number of reasons made easier by the all of the above persons and the outgoing Trustees and most of all you villagers for your support and input. I thank you all for your support throughout the year.

There have been sporadic Trustee meetings held during the year. I would like to thank each of the trustees for their attendance and participation.

We continue to work formally and informally with the school through the joint management committee and regular ad hoc meetings. Particular thanks go to Greg Coleman, Paul Stott and Annette Childs. Likewise, we thank everyone connected with the school and the Barn Owls Pre School for cooperation throughout the year and particularly when we have been hosting larger events.

Julie McGregor cleaned the halls for some of the year although she has now left us. We welcome Olga as our new Halls cleaner.

I would personally like to thank Paulette Barton, our Administrator, for our first year of tremendous support and involvement. She has undertaken a huge amount of work behind the scenes in all matters relating to bookings for the hall and a myriad of other tasks on behalf of ETSR.

Paulette juggles many balls in her excellent administration roles both in ETSR and the EPC and is always available to guide and assist - Thanks again.

Finally, in my first year as Chairman and a Trustee for ETSR I would like to thank the Parish Council, as new Trustee, together with everyone connected with the Halls every success for the coming years. I have no doubt that the Halls will continue to provide a wonderful venue for many events. My greatest hope is that they will increasingly benefit from the support and active involvement of as many people as possible from within our village community.

Enjoyment is the greatest gift that participation endows - please continue to support us in any way you can. We are here for you and you are the ones that ultimately confirm our future in the village.

Have a great Xmas and New Year

Trevor McGregor

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Chairman's Report AGM 2021

This is my second report as Chairman of ETSR since I assumed the role in March 2020.

Covering the period from the last Chairman's Report and AGM on 11th November 2020 until today's 2021 AGM, once again this is a report dominated by the impact of the Covid 19 Pandemic upon our Trust and activities at the Village Halls .

Covid-19 Pandemic

This time last year we were in the second national lockdown, anticipating a planned re-opening of the halls on 2nd December 2020. Such optimism was to prove to be misplaced as no sooner had the halls been reopened then they were closed again on 5th December 2020 and the country prepared to "cancel Christmas".

You will recall from my report last year that the Trustees, faced earlier in 2020 with the collapse in income, had already focussed their attention upon containing and reducing costs and suspending all discretionary spending. We had already taken action to access support offered through the Government and the District Council and used the Job Retention Scheme to place Catherine Richards, our Administrator, on Furlough leave.

Having thus bolstered our year end July 2020 financial position, the Trustees were threatened with yet more crippling losses of earnings, despite continued access to these safety nets.

To counter this position, a process had been set in motion and ETSR submitted findings to the Parish Council (as Custodian Trustees and Guarantors for the Lease) with a request for financial support if the forecast erosion of funds was to prove accurate.

At the same time in December 2020, discussions opened with the Sussex Community's NHS Foundation Trust working in partnership with a number of GP practices (hereafter referred to as "NHS") with a view to establishing the village halls as a Covid Vaccination Centre. After many meetings and significant amounts of correspondence, agreement was reached in early January 2021 for the Parker Hall to be hired by the NHS for an initial period from 12th January to 14th May 2021. As most of you will know, this hire period was then extended through until 6th August, allowing the halls to play a major role in combating this dreadful disease.

ETSR wishes to formally thank the Parish Council for their support at the time that the request for contingency funding was made. Although this was never drawn upon, the addition to the Council's budget was finalised at a time when the halls were closed for normal use, the extent of the NHS hire period was not fully known and there was minimal visibility on if and when income from normal hiring activities would resume.

The Halls as a Vaccination Centre

Notwithstanding the financial impact of the NHS hiring of the halls, their use as a Vaccination Centre was an unqualified success. Thanks are due to many parties.

The NHS front line staff, administrators and the huge number of volunteers were fantastic. Local residents worked together to overcome teething problems with the increased weight of traffic and parking, villagers provided driveway parking and cakes (!) and everyone connected with the school and Barn Owls pre-school did everything possible to make the venture such a success. This was particularly the case when an eleventh hour request to more than double the size of the effort was accommodated by use of the School/Ahrens hall to meet the request for additional vaccination space. None of this could have been achieved without the flexibility and support of all those concerned.

When the halls were eventually handed back to ETSR by the NHS in August/September 2021, they benefitted from a pre-negotiated deep clean and redecoration of all affected areas together with other remedial works carried out at no cost to ETSR. As part of the "package" we provided to the NHS we took the opportunity to carry out required improvements to our emergency lighting system, the costs of which have been apportioned over the financial years ending July 2021 and 2022.

Update on Lease

Against the background of a global pandemic the (final) completion of our lease seems somewhat insignificant. That said it has been the culmination of many years of hard work, not least by John Barnes, and it is pleasing to report that signed copies now reside with the Parish Clerk for safe keeping.

Financial Performance and Fund Raising

The Treasurer's Report covers our financial year from 1/8/2020 until 31/7/2021.

Once again it is impossible to escape the impact of the Covid situation. Income for the year was dominated by the NHS hiring and the receipt of various support grants. Similarly, we continued to take advantage of the Government's Furlough scheme throughout the year.

On the costs side, we incurred additional expenditure to support the NHS operation some of which has continued beyond the financial year end. Prudently, we refunded all pre-booking payments and deposits meaning that we ended the year with no contingent liabilities.

Post the July 2021 year end we have transferred surplus funds (£10,000) from our current account to our deposit account to help fund anticipated future longer term maintenance and buildings related expenditure.

With the exception of the splendidly supported Monthly Draw 100 Club, no additional fund raising was undertaken during the past year. In respect of the 100 Club, we thank all participants, and especially those members who demonstrate still further support by donating their prizes to ETSR. We are very grateful for this additional generosity.

Eleanor Knowles and Mary Barnes were due to host an Open Garden event in August, however the British summer intervened and the event had to be cancelled. We thank Eleanor and Mary for their kind offer and look forward to better weather next year.

Forecast

Despite our significantly improved financial position, there is absolutely no room for complacency. Since the reopening of the halls in September 2021 our hiring income is significantly down on more normal times.

We thank those of our regular hiring groups for the loyalty they have demonstrated by returning to the halls at the earliest opportunity and we encourage all potential users to make the fullest use possible of the village halls, village square and practice room as we attempt to bounce back from these difficult times.

We remain acutely aware that we are required to make significant payments on a monthly basis to support our contracted commitments which largely reflect the nature of our shared premises structure with the school. These considerable costs include Site Management, cleaning, electricity, fuel, insurance, facilities testing and many more, together with the Trust's own administration costs.

The Trustees will do everything possible to restore the halls to a self-financing position and will actively look at new means of fund raising. On a broader note we are looking for increased involvement from the village in terms of use of the halls and through involvement with ETSR. We would like to increase our number of helpers and if possible our Trustee numbers. We would particularly like to attract people who have new ideas for how the halls can be used and who can bring fresh ideas to the table in terms of broadening our appeal. If nothing else, the vast number of people who attended the Vaccination Centre saw just how good our facilities are with many posting very supportive comments. We must aim to capitalise upon this goodwill.

Trustees, JMC and other thanks.

Neither ETSR nor the halls could function without the unstinting hard work and involvement of the Trustees: John Barnes, Paulette Barton, Joe Kilgallon, Nicky Menzies, Steve Millea and Nick Smith all of whom have committed to continue to serve for the coming year. I thank them all for their tremendous support and enthusiasm.

I would particularly like to single out Steve for his help in establishing the Vaccination Centre and for his excellent work in respect of determining and processing financial support we have received through third party grants.

In addition to six formal meetings held during the year there have been several conference calls and offsite meetings held to address the exceptional issues we have battled during this unprecedented year. I would like to thank each and every one of the Trustees for their terrific attendance and participation.

Likewise, we continue to work formally and informally on a most harmonious basis with the school both through the Joint Management Committee and regular ad hoc meetings. Our thanks go to Greg Coleman, Matthew Montebello, Annette Childs and behind the scenes to Gail and Steve Forward for all their help.

I make no apologies again for thanking the Head and his staff, together with the Barn Owls Pre-School team, Greg, Steve and Gail for their exceptional support on all matters relating to the successful establishment and operation of the Vaccination Centre operation.


Throughout the use of the halls by the NHS, Catherine Baigent transferred her duties to an external operation to support the cleaning of the halls and we are pleased that she has re-joined us as our regular cleaner helping to provide a safe and secure environment for all of our user groups.

I would like to thank Catherine Richards our Administrator for her fantastic efforts throughout the year. It has not been an easy year for Catherine having to step aside during her periods of Furlough Leave before gradually returning to her normal full time activities. Once again Catherine has worked tremendously hard to help prepare for the reopening of the halls. Much work goes on behind the scenes to convert expressions of interest into actual bookings and this is often overlooked. On behalf of us all, Catherine, a very big thanks for your support and loyalty.

Finally, on a personal note, I offered to serve as Chairman for a fixed period to cover the AGMs through until November 2022. Whilst I am very happy to continue to be fully engaged as a Trustee thereafter, I do intend to stand down as Chairman after the next full year term and I would welcome the chance to work with any existing Trustees or new entrants to achieve this goal.

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FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31.7.2021

<u>Income & Expenditure Account</u>	2019-20	2020-21
Income		
Village Hall Bookings	£11,003.54	£25,938.00
Parish Council contribution	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Donations/ Grants	£10,550.00	£18,828.00
Fundraising	£5,599.30	£170.00
100 club	£4,100.00	£4,385.00
HMRC - Furlough payment	£1,920.00	£5,160.00
Bank Interest Received	£9.53	£0.31
Misc	£43.76	£70.16
	£34,226.13	£55,551.47
Expenditure		
C Richards	£7,200.00	£7,200.00
C Richards Expenses	£46.45	£0.00
Mobile Phone	£286.99	£291.76
Hall running costs	£17,214.32	£19,820.82
Village Hall Refunds	£0.00	£1,587.25
Insurance	£838.64	£784.55
Admin expenses	£0.00	£0.00
HMRC - PAYE & NICS	£0.00	£0.00
Fundraising expenses	£1,335.78	£0.00
100 Club	£1,410.00	£1,280.00
Grants / Donations	£0.00	£0.00
AV - cable, consultancy, lights and pa	£0.00	£0.00
Sports Equipment	0	£0.00
	£28,332.18	£30,964.38
Profit/(loss) for the period	£5,893.95	£24,587.09
Capital Expenditure		
Hall payment to ESCC	£0.00	£0.00
Stage lights payment to Etchingham School	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00
Balance Sheet		
Bank Accounts		
Current account	£10,663.57	£25,698.68
Deposit account	£1,067.96	£10,100.19
Village Hall Booking Account	£4,759.54	£5,279.29
Petty cash	£34.21	£34.21
Net Assets / Liabilities	£16,525.28	£41,112.37
Represented by:		
Accumulated funds at 1st August	£10,631.30	£16,525.28
Surplus/(Deficit) for the period	£5,893.98	£24,587.09
Capital expenditure	£0.00	£0.00
Accumulated funds at 31st July	£16,525.28	£41,112.37

Hon. Treasurer.....  Date..... 4/10/21

Audited and found correct:
 Auditor.....  Date..... 04/10/21

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Chairman's Report AGM 2020

This is my first report as Chairman of ETSR since I assumed the role in March 2020.

Since that time the world, the country, our community and the Trust have been on a roller coaster of unprecedented proportions. There's nothing like being thrown in at the deep end!

My report will cover events during the period since the last Chairman's Report and AGM on 7th November 2019.

It is only right that I lead with a huge thank you to John Barnes who formally announced that he was stepping down as Chairman in March 2020. John has been involved with ETSR for as long as anyone can remember, including 10 years as Chairman. He has overseen the development project for the new village halls from planning, through the build and subsequent opening and running of the halls. Our thanks go to John for his tireless work and dedication, noting that he has agreed to continue as a Trustee and as Vice Chairman.

Covid-19 Pandemic

To say that our year has been disrupted as a result of the Coronavirus crisis would be something of an understatement! The halls closed in line with the nationwide lockdown back in March and only reopened again on 7th September. This deprived our many users of the enjoyment they derive from the halls and took away the great majority of our income at a stroke.

Faced with this collapse in income, the Trustees focussed their attention upon containing and reducing costs and suspending all discretionary spending. Crucially we took action to access support offered through the Government and the District Council. Firstly, we used the Job Retention Scheme to place Catherine Richards, our Administrator, on Furlough leave until her return, on a half time basis, at the start of September. Secondly we applied for and received a Business Support Grant of £10,000 from Rother District Council. These actions bolstered our position and meant that we survived the initial phase of the crisis. I would particularly like to thank Steve Millea, our Treasurer, for his efforts in this regard.

Having established that several of our regular users, when permitted, would like to return we undertook all the necessary work to make our premises "Covid Secure". This entailed considerable extra work for Catherine upon her return for duties and for the small band of Trustees who completed the necessary physical changes within the buildings.

Several of our regular groups benefited from the resumption of activities, although this has again been thwarted with lockdown 2. We thank them for the loyalty they demonstrated when returning to the halls at the earliest opportunity.

The Trustees would like to encourage the return of more of our regular user groups together with potential new hirers. Whilst we must all be guided by guidelines for the safe use of the halls we look forward to welcoming as many as possible of you to use our great facilities.

Update on Lease

We have heard from our solicitor, as recently as 6th November 2020 that, after months of delay at the Land Registry, the Diocese's freehold interest has been registered and that ETSR's various restrictions have in turn been registered on the Diocese 's freehold title together with the notice in respect of the Option. Our solicitor has advised that completion of the leasehold registration should be confirmed shortly.

Financial Performance and Fund Raising

The Treasurer's Report covers our financial year from 1/8/2019 until 31/7/2020. Whilst at first glance it shows a healthy profit of £5,893.98 for the full year, it is completely distorted by Covid-19 related issues and payments, notably the £10,000 grant and Furlough payments discussed above.

Stripping these exceptional items away, a better guide to our performance for the year would have been seen from the first half of the year, immediately prior to the crisis. At that point hall bookings were up to a healthy £11,060, fund raising had more than doubled the previous full year's figure to £4,759 and the 100 Club continued to produce consistent income. In spite of increased hall running costs, profit at the half year was £1,249 and we were on course for a full year break even/profit.

Coronavirus has, in extremis, highlighted the importance of supplementing income received from the hire of the halls. The 100 Club continues to be well supported, for which we thank all participants, and provides steady cashflow, bringing in £4,100 (before prize payments). Please spread the word to encourage even more members! I should also mention, at this stage, our thanks to those members who demonstrate still further support by donating their prizes to ETSR. We are very grateful for this additional generosity.

Fund raising events including the very well attended and memorable evening with Charles Moore talking about the final part of his biography about Margaret Thatcher (covered in last year's report), Nick Smith's second instalment on board Gin@Six, and the annual Autumn Quiz Night tee'd us up beautifully for a record year before lockdown and termination of all other planned events in the halls.

Despite this setback, ETSR were delighted to host the annual plant sale on the Village Square outside the halls on 19th and 20th June. Helped by some lovely weather there was a splendid turnout over the two days from the village and beyond. Many people expressed their pleasure in being able to emerge from "lockdown" and to socialise whilst observing sensible distancing!

The event was a terrific success raising over £1,000 and we are hugely grateful to all of those who came along and supported the venture. We look forward to repeating the exercise next year when we all hope that teas, coffees and cakes will once again be available.

It goes without saying that we could not hold the plant sale without the fantastic efforts of Mary Barnes and Eleanor Knowles and we were also grateful to Caroline Moore who magically appeared with additional supplies as stocks dwindled!

Forecast

At the time of writing this report, no one knows how much longer Covid-19 will continue to exert such a dominating influence on all of our actions. With this in mind, The Trustees have prepared a six month forecast based upon continuing significantly reduced income and minimal ability to host larger fundraising initiatives. We are required to make significant payments on a monthly basis to support our contracted commitments which largely reflect the nature of our shared premises structure with the school. These considerable costs include Site Management, cleaning, electricity, fuel, insurance, facilities testing and many more, together with the Trust's own administration costs. Whilst we enter this six month period with a reasonable cash balance this will erode at an untenable rate if conditions don't improve. Obviously the required closure of the halls for a second lock down is a further blow.

Faced with this situation and with the prime aim of avoiding a more permanent closure of the Halls, ETSR has submitted its findings to the Parish Council (who are Guarantors for the Lease) with a request for financial support if the forecast erosion of funds proves accurate. All parties have committed to work closely to avoid this unwanted position and to restore the funds to a self financing position as soon as we are able to function on a "Covid free" basis.

ETSR would like to thank the Parish Council for all help and support received thus far.

In the meantime we again encourage all current and potential users to make the fullest use possible of the village halls which remain, in every sense, at the heart of village activities.

Trustees, JMC and other thanks.

Neither ETSR nor the halls could function without the unstinting hard work and involvement of the Trustees: John Barnes, Paulette Barton, Joe Kilgallon, Nicky Menzies, Steve Millea and Nick Smith all of whom have committed to continue to serve for the coming year. I thank them all for their tremendous support and enthusiasm.

In addition to five formal meetings held during the year there have been several conference calls and offsite meetings held to address the exceptional issues we have battled during this unprecedented year. I would like to thank each and everyone of the Trustees for their terrific attendance and participation.

Likewise, we continue to work formally and informally on a most harmonious basis with the school both through the Joint Management Committee and regular ad hoc meetings. Our thanks go to Greg Coleman, Margaret Williams, Annette Childs and behind the scenes to Gail Forward and Tracie Wilson for all their help. ETSR would like to thank Margaret for all her help and involvement and to wish her a happy retirement. We would also like to welcome Matthew Montebello and we look forward to working with him in the coming years. In the same vein I would like to thank Catherine Baigent who undertakes the cleaning of the halls, something which has assumed an even greater importance as we do everything possible to provide a safe and secure environment for all of our user groups.

Finally and certainly not least (!) , I would like to thank Catherine Richards our Administrator for her fantastic efforts throughout the year. In addition to her normal activities, Catherine worked with great diligence as we prepared for the reopening of the halls after her return from her period of Furlough Leave. On behalf of us all, Catherine, a very big thanks for your support and loyalty.

ETCHINGHAM TRUST FOR SPORT AND RECREATION
FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31.7.2020

<u>Income & Expenditure Account</u>	2018-19	2019-20
Income		
Village Hall Bookings	£17,435.50	£11,003.54
Parish Council contribution	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Donations/ Grants	£1,000.00	£10,550.00
Fundraising	£2,045.02	£5,599.30
100 club	£3,980.00	£4,100.00
HMRC - Furlough payment	£0.00	£1,920.00
Bank Interest Received	£377.20	£9.53
Misc	£25.81	£43.79
	£25,863.53	£34,226.16
Expenditure		
C Richards	£7,200.00	£7,200.00
C Richards Expenses	£0.00	£46.45
Mobile Phone	£273.10	£286.99
Hall running costs	£14,470.65	£17,214.32
Insurance	£893.75	£838.64
Admin expenses	£535.50	£0.00
HMRC - PAYE & NICS	£0.00	£0.00
Fundraising expenses	£323.90	£1,335.78
100 Club	£1,550.00	£1,410.00
Grants / Donations	£40.00	£0.00
AV - cable, consultancy, lights and pa	£0.00	£0.00
Sports Equipment	0	£0.00
	£25,286.90	£28,332.18
Profit/(loss) for the period	£576.63	£5,893.98
Capital Expenditure		
Hall payment to ESCC	£818,586.90	£0.00
Stage lights payment to Etchingham School	£2,000.00	£0.00
	£820,586.90	£0.00
Balance Sheet		
Bank Accounts		
Current account	£782.66	£10,663.57
Deposit account	£1,058.43	£1,067.96
Village Hall Booking Account	£8,756.00	£4,759.54
Petty cash	£34.21	£34.21
Net Assets / Liabilities	£10,631.30	£16,525.28
Represented by:		
Accumulated funds at 1st August	£830,641.57	£10,631.30
Surplus/(Deficit) for the period	£576.63	£5,893.98
Capital expenditure	£820,586.90	£0.00
Accumulated funds at 31st July	£10,631.30	£16,525.28

Hon. Treasurer..... 

Date..... 06/10/20

Audited and found correct:

Auditor..... 

Date..... 06/10/20



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
ETCHINGHAM TRUST FOR SPORTS AND RECREATION

On accounts for the year ended

31 - JULY - 2020

Charity no (if any)

1076642

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

02/04/21

Name:

FRANK HAROLD SMITH

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

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.