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Registered Charity: 1094096

Annual Report for 2024

New Trustees:

Stuart Byatt from Cumbria Lau Gar

Derek Bradley Treasurer

Maintenance:

We had a builder do some work on the roof above the toilets in the upper hall. Another builder has replaced the lintel at the top of the stairs to the upper hall. However the builder was a bit selective as to which he did. He replaced one on the inside of the upper hall door, that wasn't on the building surveyors report, but left the one on the outside with the crack in it. The same builder repaired the floor in the entrance to the lower hall and repaired the brickwork that was cracked. We also think this builder was quite expensive, and would be reluctant to use him again. Another builder has carried out repairs in the gents toilet, replaced the lintel on the outside of the upper hall door that was cracked and rendered the wall by the entrance in the car park. Although the rates for this builder seemed reasonable, quotes they provided for other work seemed significantly higher so we have decided not to continue with them. We still have some repairs to the upper hall roof to do, as well as the lintel in the lower hall. We also need to resurface the entrance to the lower hall.

We have a quote for £1900 from Castle Alarms for replacing components for the fire alarm that are out of date and a quote for £900 for emergency lights that need replacing. Judy contacted an electrician to do the lights & he said he was busy but would look at doing the work soon.

We have now received the Trust Lease for the church with 125 year lease. The Diocese informs us the lease for the Halls expired in 2019. Colin has asked them to give us a new lease to match that of the Church with 125 years.

St Matthews Community Hall

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St Matthews Community Hall

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on page 2.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiners Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanation from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiners Statement

In Connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - To prepare accounts which agree with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met, or
2. To which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
St Matthews Community Hall
For The Period Ending: 31/12/2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts:				
Hire of Halls		61530.52		38014.94
Bank Interest		0.00		0.00
Other Income		0.00		0.00
		<u>61530.52</u>		<u>38014.94</u>
Less Payments:				
Wages	11150.74		11315.89	
Stipend	3000.00		3250.00	
		<u>14150.74</u>		<u>14565.89</u>
Overheads:				
Warmspot		0.00		507.07
Office Expenses		1273.50		4423.23
Accountancy Fees		513.00		525.60
Telephone		2389.27		2106.62
Refund		15.00		0.00
Business Insurance		2799.28		2696.11
Bank Fees		0.00		0.00
Rates		50.00		245.43
Repairs & Maintenance		21853.34		15434.85
Water Rates		221.83		208.01
Sundries		2.60		5.00
Heat & Power		13549.68		14057.17
Rent		0.00		200.00
		<u>42667.50</u>		<u>40409.09</u>
Net profit		<u><u>4712.28</u></u>		<u><u>-16960.04</u></u>

Statement of assets at 31st December 2024

Cash Funds

Bank Current Account at 31st December 2024	18901.79	14112.33
Bank Deposit Account at 31st December 2024	0.62	0.62
Cash at 31st December 2024	191.50	18.68
	<u>19093.91</u>	<u>14131.63</u>

Accumulated Fund

Opening Fund Assets:	14131.63	31091.67
Unpresented Cheques	250.00	0.00
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