

# THE HOPE EDWARDES INSTITUTE

England & Wales · Charity number 1108683

## Details

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**Other names** DORRINGTON VILLAGE HALL

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2005-03-22

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1) THE OBJECT OF THE CHARITY SHALL BE THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST EDWARD THE KING AND CONFESSOR, DORRINGTON (HEREINAFTER CALL THE 'AREA OF BENEFIT') WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, INCLUDING USE FOR 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.2) THE SAID LAND AND BUILDING SHALL BE HELD UPON TRUST FOR THE PURPOSE OF A VILLAGE HALL AS AFORESAID.

**Activities:** Provision of a community facility for residents in the locality of Dorrington to meet and join in with various activities which take place. Also a facility for locals to hold functions (eg weddings, parties, etc) and for local clubs to meet.

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST EDWARD THE KING AND CONFESSOR, DORRINGTON
- Shropshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£48,499	£40,043	-	-
2024-03-31	£46,269	£36,860	-	-
2023-03-31	£37,357	£37,344	-	-
2022-03-31	£44,803	£27,402	-	-
2021-03-31	£48,275	£19,729	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANGELA PARKINSON		
Adam William Biggs		2026-04-08
EDWARD WHITAKER MARVIN		2021-02-12
RUTH MICHELLE LAWRENCE		
THOMAS FREDERICK WILLIAMS		

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# Accounts

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**The Hope Edwardes Institute  
(Dorrington Village Hall)**

**Financial Statements**

**For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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<b>Custodian Trustee</b>	Condover Parish Council
<b>Accountant</b>	Community Accounting Services Ltd 7 Napoleon Drive Shrewsbury SY3 5PH

**Trustees' Report  
of Dorrington Village Hall  
on the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2022 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102) October 2019.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

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**Achievements and Performance in the year**

**Fundraising**

The Hall hosted a successful Macmillan Coffee morning in Sep 24, profit of £671.18 was paid direct to the Macmillan Cancer Support.

**Income**

The Hall booking system initiated in Feb 24, which is linked into the website, has proved popular with users and received positive feedback on Google Business. Rental income has increased accordingly.

## **Activities**

The Hall hosted the Shropshire Village Hall Conference. The Administrator received compliments on the standard and facilities of the Hall.

## **Environmental**

A Smart Meter has been installed which will enable the Hall to feed its solar produced electricity to the grid, once the SEG paperwork is completed by EDF.

## **Technology**

The Hall security system has been upgraded and now allows external alarm monitoring through an App.

## **Infrastructure**

Roof repairs have been completed on tiles, verge and some replacement mortaring. Some contingency electrical heaters were purchased to back up the gas boiler that is prone to cutting out. Eight door finger guard protectors were fitted, and toilet door repairs were made. Three internal mounted key cases have been installed to enable secure access to user storerooms. A repaint of the bottom sections of the Hall were completed.

## **Human Resources**

The new Administrator and Caretaker have been influential in matters of policy and law. The infrastructure is constantly being improved, and the Hall has saved massively on external contractors. Bookings and customer invoices are being efficiently processed and entered onto Xero.

## **Grants**

The Dorrington Community Garden (DCG) is now a standalone organisation and all grant monies received on their behalf have been paid over to them.

## **Future Plans**

The Hall is scoping the replacement of its gas boiler. It will also come with an App for tighter control of usage and savings therein. The expansion of electricity-based heating options will also be explored.

## Financial Review and Reserves Policy

This year saw a surplus in funds of £8,456. A further £5k has been transferred to the designated fund account. This is additional funds to provide adequate reserves for the future capital expenditure on the Hall's aging heating system and upgrading some kitchen fixed assets.

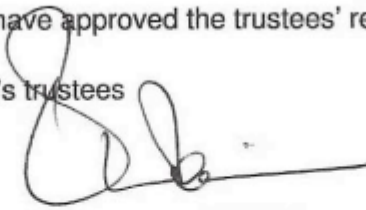
## Risk

The Hall does rely on rental income from the Beeches Medical Practice to fund the cost of our mortgage repayments. Should this income cease, the Hall would require a change of strategy to raise income and pay off any outstanding mortgage. The continued good will of the ex-Treasurer to complete our financial affairs is most appreciated. However, a requirement to pay for an accountant if nobody can be recruited remains an ongoing challenge.

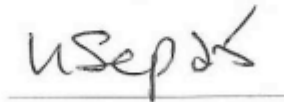
## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Edward Marvin



Date

**Independent Examiner's Report to the  
Management Committee of Dorrington Village Hall  
on the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

We report on the accounts of Dorrington Village Hall for the period ended 31 March 2025.

The Group's officers are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Group's officers consider that an audit is not required for this year and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts
- to follow the general directions for the conduct of an independent examination
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with general directions for an independent examination. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the committee 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 explanations from you as a committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

1. which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep appropriate accounting records; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with applicable financial reporting standardshave not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*Community Accounting Services*

**Community Accounting Services Ltd  
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Shrewsbury  
SY3 5PH**

**Date:** 19/09/2025

**Dorrington Village Hall  
Income & Expenditure Accounts  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Designated Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	<i>Total Funds 2024 £</i>
<b>Income</b>					
<b>Grants</b>	500	-	1,000	1,500	4,823
<b>Rental Income</b>					
Doctors Surgery	23,250	-	-	23,250	23,250
Regular Users	8,363	-	-	8,363	7,197
Misc Rents	8,101	-	-	8,101	5,245
<b>Donations</b>	811	-	-	811	905
<b>Utility recharges</b>	5,719	-	-	5,719	3,956
<b>Fundraising</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Investment Income</b>					
Bank Deposit Interest	755	-	-	755	893
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>47,499</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>48,499</u>	<u>46,269</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Mortgage Interest	4,169	-	-	4,169	4,253
Insurance	2,255	-	-	2,255	-
Maintenance	3,178	-	-	3,178	7,851
Subcontractors	10,560	-	-	10,560	8,592
Accountancy	460	-	-	460	395
Computer Costs	513	-	-	513	440
Rates & Utilities	9,985	-	-	9,985	9,442
General Expenses	1,387	-	-	1,387	3,976
Telephone & internet	804	-	-	804	583
Website	382	-	-	382	464
Licences and Subscriptions	215	-	-	215	80
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Dorrington Community Garden	-	-	5,323	5,323	-
Bowling Club	715	-	-	715	655
Depreciation	97	-	-	97	129
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>34,720</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,323</u>	<u>40,043</u>	<u>36,860</u>
<b>Net Incoming Resources Before Transfers</b>	12,779	-	(4,323)	8,456	9,409
<b>Transfer Between Funds</b>	(5,000)	5,000	-	-	-
<b>Net Incoming Resources</b>	<u>7,779</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>(4,323)</u>	<u>8,456</u>	<u>9,409</u>
Fund balance brought forward at 1 April 2024	247,551	63,000	4,477	315,028	305,619
<b>Fund Balance Carried Forward at 31 March 2025</b>	<u>255,330</u>	<u>68,000</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>323,484</u>	<u>315,028</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

**Dorrington Village Hall  
Balance Sheet  
as at 31 March 2025**

Note	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>		
Freehold Property: Village Hall	475,000	475,000
Plant & Machinery	<u>290</u>	<u>386</u>
	<b>475,290</b>	<b>475,386</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Current Account	18,692	14,506
Liquidity Account	18,129	67,374
Fixed Term Deposit Account	50,000	-
Cash in Hand	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
	<b>86,824</b>	<b>81,883</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Deposits Held	(1,941)	(1,551)
Value Added Tax	<u>(1,081)</u>	<u>(244)</u>
	<b>(3,022)</b>	<b>(1,795)</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>		
Mortgage Account	<u>(235,608)</u>	<u>(240,446)</u>
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<b>Net Assets</b>	<u><u><b>323,484</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>315,028</b></u></u>
<b>Represented by Funds</b>		
Unrestricted fund	255,330	247,551
Designated fund	68,000	63,000
Restricted funds	154	4,477
	<u><u><b>323,484</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>315,028</b></u></u>

The Trustees approve the accounts which comprise of the SOFA, the Balance Sheet and the related notes and acknowledge their responsibility for the accounts, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework, and for providing Community Accounting Services Ltd with all information and explanations necessary for their compilation.

Edward Marvin



Date

15 Sep 25

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**Achievements and Performance in the year**

**Fundraising**

The Hall hosted a successful Macmillan Coffee morning in Sep 23 with all proceeds paid direct to the Macmillan Cancer Support.

**Income**

The Hall has seen its rental income from one off users such as birthday parties almost double due in part to the excellent upgrade to our website.

## **Activities**

Fortnightly tabletop gardening classes have been highly successful, and the costs have been partly offset by funding from a Conover Parish Council warm hub grant. The Wednesday afternoons (formerly warm Wednesdays) continue to be highly popular and bring with them a keen sense of community. The Church has benefitted from using the Hall at nil cost on some of the very cold Sundays over the winter months. The hire charges were reviewed at the start of the 2024/25 financial year along with the standard terms and conditions to reflect the increase in energy prices and expenses.

## **Environmental**

An Eddi hot water controller was installed and has allowed excess solar energy to be used for heating water. The fixed contract utilities suppliers have been renewed and this has seen a substantial increase in our bills as it coincided with the global energy price rises.

## **Infrastructure & Technology**

A new security system has been installed and the zones changed for simplicity of user access and control of access to the Hall. In Feb 24 the Hall trialled and subsequently went live with an online Hall Booking System. The new online booking system has been linked to our website. This allows potential users to see vacancies and provisionally book the Hall. The administrator has control of the booking to finalise event(s) and process invoices with the customer. When the broadband contract was renewed in the year, we took the opportunity to install repeater units across the Hall to improve the customer experience.

## **Human Resources**

Our administrator was thanked for her work prior to leaving the job and saw out a 60-day notice period diligently. Selection interviews took place for a part time self-employed Administrator. We secured an excellent professional replacement who was formerly the owner of his own law firm. The Hall is now seeing an uptake in bookings and he anticipates many policies and processes will be improved. Our Caretaker left in Feb 23 and a private cleaning contractor was employed. We have now found a part-time self-employed caretaker who is more of a building and infrastructure Manager. He has saved the Hall a significant amount of money by enterprising self-help initiatives and has done an excellent job in Spring cleaning the Hall.

## **Grants**

The Dorrington Community Garden (DCG) has been very successful in its application for grants, it has been awarded collectively in the region of £4k the bids were administered through the Hall. They have now become a standalone organisation but will have a seat offered as a user group at Committee Meetings.

## **Future Plans**

The Hall plans to build on the success of the May 24 Blues Night and intends to have a similar event in Sep 24. Having rejoined the Community Resource, we intend to host and participate in their quiz nights. Despite having the solar panels fitted and reducing our electricity bills a year ago, we are still waiting for EDF to install a Smart Meter so that we can return the energy to the grid and get a financial reward. We are still researching the replacement of our old gas boiler with an electric one to further reduce costs.

## **Financial Review**

This year saw a surplus in funds of £9,409.

£4k of the surplus is in respect of grant income relating to the DCG which will be utilised in the next financial year. Out of the remaining monies, £5k has been transferred to the designated fund account, it is earmarked to provide adequate reserves for the future capital expenditure on the Hall's aging heating system and upgrading some kitchen fixed assets.

## **Risk**

The Hall does rely on rental income from the Beeches Medical Practice to fund the cost of our mortgage repayments. Should this income cease, the Hall would require a change of strategy to raise income and pay off any outstanding mortgage.

## **Reserves Policy**

A sum of £63K is held in a designated fund. This is to cover the cost of future improvements and/or major maintenance work that may be required in the future such as replacing the Hall floor or kitchen appliances etc.

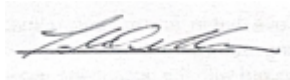
The restricted fund is the balance of grants remaining for the cost of developing the Community Garden next to the bowling green.

## **Declaration**

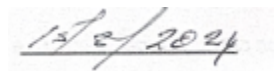
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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

**Thomas Frederick Williams**



**Date**



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**Date:** 02/09/2024

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<b>Income</b>					
<b>Grants</b>	-	-	4,823	4,823	1,900
<b>Rental Income</b>					
Doctors Surgery	23,250	-	-	23,250	23,250
Regular Users	7,197	-	-	7,197	6,636
Misc Rents	5,245	-	-	5,245	2,968
<b>Donations</b>	815	-	90	905	48
<b>Utility recharges</b>	3,956	-	-	3,956	1,447
<b>Fundraising</b>	-	-	-	-	817
<b>Investment Income</b>					
Bank Deposit Interest	893	-	-	893	291
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>41,356</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,913</u>	<u>46,269</u>	<u>37,357</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Mortgage Interest	4,253	-	-	4,253	4,335
Insurance	-	-	-	-	4,141
Maintenance	7,592	-	259	7,851	6,347
Subcontractors	8,592	-	-	8,592	10,012
Accountancy	395	-	-	395	275
Computer Costs	440	-	-	440	206
Rates & Utilities	9,442	-	-	9,442	6,069
General Expenses	3,476	-	500	3,976	1,283
Telephone & internet	583	-	-	583	509
Website	464	-	-	464	2,095
Licences and Subscriptions	80	-	-	80	114
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	1,030
Recreation Association	655	-	-	655	756
Depreciation	129	-	-	129	172
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>36,101</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>759</u>	<u>36,860</u>	<u>37,344</u>
<b>Net Incoming Resources Before Transfers</b>	5,255	-	4,154	9,409	13
<b>Transfer Between Funds</b>	(5,000)	5,000	-	-	-
<b>Net Incoming Resources</b>	<u>255</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>4,154</u>	<u>9,409</u>	<u>13</u>
Fund balance brought forward at 1 April 2023	247,296	58,000	323	305,619	305,606
<b>Fund Balance Carried Forward at 31 March 2024</b>	<u>247,551</u>	<u>63,000</u>	<u>4,477</u>	<u>315,028</u>	<u>305,619</u>

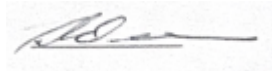
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**Dorrington Village Hall  
Balance Sheet  
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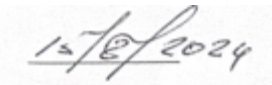
Note	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>		
Freehold Property: Village Hall	475,000	475,000
Plant & Machinery	<u>386</u>	<u>515</u>
	<b>475,386</b>	<b>475,515</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Current Account	14,506	9,981
Liquidity Account	67,374	66,480
Cash in Hand	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
	<b>81,883</b>	<b>76,464</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Deposits Held	(1,551)	(657)
Value Added Tax	<u>(244)</u>	<u>(503)</u>
	<b>(1,795)</b>	<b>(1,160)</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>		
Mortgage Account	<u>(240,446)</u>	<u>(245,200)</u>
	<b>(240,446)</b>	<b>(245,200)</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b><u><u>315,028</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>305,619</u></u></b>
 <b>Represented by Funds</b>		
Unrestricted fund	247,551	247,296
Designated fund	63,000	58,000
Restricted funds	4,477	323
	<b><u><u>315,028</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>305,619</u></u></b>

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**Thomas Frederick Williams**



**Date**



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**Achievements and Performance in the year**

The Hall has continued to be a popular venue for parties and weddings. One of the regular users retired at the start of the year and a couple chose not to continue to use the Hall. However with no Covid 19 restrictions being imposed during the year there has been an increase in income from regular users compared to the previous year.

In June 2022 the Hall invited local residents to come along for a fun afternoon to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee. There was a hog roast, tea & cakes, Bouncy castle, Music, a Jive demonstration, Games for all including an egg & spoon race and much more.

To provide a 'safe and warm space' for people during the Winter's energy crisis a sewing, patchwork, knitting & craft workshop has been introduced on Wednesday afternoons. People can bring their existing project or learn a new one, enjoy a free Coffee/tea & biscuit and a chat. Tabletop gardening workshops were also added after a local instructor had been found.

The Hall held a 'Wash away the Winter Blues Ceilidh in February. This was very successful. The Ceilidh band reported that they had never seen so many enthusiastic dancers at an event. A special thank you goes to the administrator and her team of helpers who provided a most enjoyable meal.

In June 2022 the Shropshire Good Food Partnership chose Dorrington Community Garden as one of its three nature Connection feature projects for the summer. They gave a donation of £500 to make the site more accessible & comfortable for all. This was used to buy materials to create a sheltered area in the Community Garden in the form of a Pergola with a noticeboard.

An additional Grant of £1.4K was also awarded to the Community Garden by Cambrian Railway Partnership for the creation of an all-weather 50 metre accessible path from the entrance to the garden to the garden Hub.

It was identified that the website required updating to make it easier to navigate. A new homepage was designed and has been well received. An informative tri-fold leaflet to promote dates and activities was also designed and distributed to local residents.

Our Caretaker resigned at the end of February. It was decided to take this opportunity to change the role name to cleaner and adopt an outsourced maintenance policy for repairs & routine work.

Armed with the knowledge that the 3-year fixed price contracts for the supply of gas & electricity are due to expire in Autumn 2023 priority has been given to looking at alternative energy sources. An energy report was obtained at the start of the year and the following five courses of action were identified to mitigate expenses and make the Hall a greener establishment:

- Solar panels
- Remote control thermostats
- Loft Installation
- EV charging points
- Upgrade or replace gas cooker, it was also noted that it is rarely used so savings would be minimal

A local company, ESP Sales & Service, very kindly agreed to provide the hall free of charge with an 8kW Photo Voltaic system. An inverter has been installed and approval to connect to the grid obtained. At the same time, it was agreed to pay to have an immersion controller fitted.

New energy efficient lights have been installed in the Hall and new outside lights fitted in the front and down the side of the Hall to replace the malfunctioning old ones.

After many failed attempts the car park drain has successfully been repaired and a regular annual maintenance plan put in place to stop a re-occurrence of the problem.

## Financial Review

This year saw a surplus in funds of £13.

To comply with new VAT legislation, it was decided to subscribe to an online Cloud based accountancy package. This allows trustees to have read only access to view finances easily at a time that suits them, safely stores important financial data without the need to print off copies and allows invoices to be sent electronically thereby saving on postage & printing.

It was recognised that it is expensive to maintain the Hall surrounds. To reduce costs a decision was made to introduce a "no mow" policy and go out to tender for someone to maintain the green spaces in front of the hall.

The long hot summer has been challenging for the bowling club green. Thankfully their new irrigation system has enabled it to be kept in good condition, but this has seen a significant increase in the amount paid on their behalf for water usage.

## Reserves Policy

A sum of £58K is held in a designated fund. This is to cover the cost of future improvements and/or major maintenance work that may be required in the future such as replacing the Hall floor or kitchen appliances etc.

The restricted fund is the balance of grants remaining for the cost of developing the Community Garden next to the bowling green. Plans are in place to use these monies during 2023/4.

## Future Plans

We continue to try to encourage more of the local residents to get involved in the running of the hall and to participate in activities at the hall.

The current 8kW solar installation supplies 50% more energy than required so the next step is to look at fitting a battery to store the energy so that it can be reused by the Hall.


A free survey has been secured to see if Broadband coverage can be improved in the Hall as this is affecting cashless transactions.

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

**Thomas Frederick Williams**



**Date**

4/9/2023

**Independent Examiner's Report to the  
Management Committee of Dorrington Village Hall  
on the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

We report on the accounts of Dorrington Village Hall for the period ended 31 March 2023.

The Group's officers are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Group's officers consider that an audit is not required for this year and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts
- to follow the general directions for the conduct of an independent examination
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with general directions for an independent examination. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the committee 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 explanations from you as a committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

1. which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep appropriate accounting records; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with applicable financial reporting standardshave not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Community Accounting Services Ltd**  
7 Napoleon Drive  
Shrewsbury  
SY3 5PH

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Date:

25/8/23

**Dorrington Village Hall  
Balance Sheet  
as at 31 March 2023**

Note	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>				
Freehold Property: Village Hall	475,000		475,000	
Plant & Machinery	<u>515</u>		<u>687</u>	
		<b>475,515</b>		<b>475,687</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Current Account	9,981		15,012	
Liquidity Account	66,480		66,189	
Cash in Hand	<u>3</u>		<u>3</u>	
		<b>76,464</b>		<b>81,204</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Deposits Held	(657)		(339)	
Value Added Tax	<u>(503)</u>		<u>(1,074)</u>	
		<b>(1,160)</b>		<b>(1,413)</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>				
Mortgage Account	<u>(245,200)</u>		<u>(249,872)</u>	
		<b>(245,200)</b>		<b>(249,872)</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u><u>305,619</u></u>		<u><u>305,606</u></u>
 <b>Represented by Funds</b>				
Unrestricted fund		247,296		247,541
Designated fund		58,000		58,000
Restricted funds		323		65
		<u><u>305,619</u></u>		<u><u>305,606</u></u>

The Trustees approve the accounts which comprise of the SOFA, the Balance Sheet and the related notes and acknowledge their responsibility for the accounts, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework, and for providing Community Accounting Services Ltd with all information and explanations necessary for their compilation.

**Thomas Frederick Williams**



**Date**

*7/8/2023*

**Dorrington Village Hall  
Income & Expenditure Accounts  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Designated Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>Income</b>					
<b>Grants</b>	-	-	1,900	1,900	10,667
<b>Rental Income</b>					
Doctors Surgery	23,250	-	-	23,250	23,250
Regular Users	6,636	-	-	6,636	5,738
Misc Rents	2,968	-	-	2,968	2,088
<b>Donations</b>	48	-	-	48	10
<b>Utility recharges</b>	1,447	-	-	1,447	3,044
<b>Fundraising</b>	817	-	-	817	-
<b>Investment Income</b>					
Bank Deposit Interest	291	-	-	291	6
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>35,457</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,900</u>	<u>37,357</u>	<u>44,803</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Mortgage Interest	4,335	-	-	4,335	4,416
Insurance	4,141	-	-	4,141	-
Maintenance	4,705	-	1,642	6,347	3,944
Subcontractors	10,012	-	-	10,012	8,773
Accountancy	275	-	-	275	250
Computer Costs	206	-	-	206	-
Rates & Utilities	6,069	-	-	6,069	5,453
General Expenses	1,283	-	-	1,283	436
Telephone & internet	509	-	-	509	558
Website	2095	-	-	2,095	265
Licences and Subscriptions	114	-	-	114	104
Fundraising	1,030	-	-	1,030	-
Recreation Association	756	-	-	756	274
Depreciation	172	-	-	172	229
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>35,702</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,642</u>	<u>37,344</u>	<u>24,702</u>
<b>Net Incoming Resources Before Transfers</b>	(245)	-	258	13	20,101
<b>Transfer Between Funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Incoming Resources</b>	<u>(245)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>258</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>20,101</u>
Fund balance brought forward at 1 April 2022	247,541	58,000	65	305,606	285,505
<b>Fund Balance Carried Forward at 31 March 2023</b>	<u>247,296</u>	<u>58,000</u>	<u>323</u>	<u>305,619</u>	<u>305,606</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

**THE HOPE EDWARDES INSTITUTE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1108683

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# Accounts

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**The Hope Edwardes Institute  
(Dorrington Village Hall)**

**Financial Statements**

**For The Year Ended 31 March 2022**

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**Achievements and Performance in the year**

The Covid-19 Pandemic has for the second year running impacted on the activities of the Hall. At the start of the year the Hall was closed but in mid-April 2021, as restrictions were gradually eased, we were able to open our doors to a couple of users whose activities were permitted under government regulations. As restrictions were eased further it was nice to see the gradual return of a lot of our regular users. A few have decided not to return but we have welcomed some new ones. The Hall has been a popular venue for Parties and family celebrations and we hope this will continue in the New Year.

We had booked to have a barn dance and hog roast for local residents at the hall in September 2021 but the uncertainties of the pandemic led us to cancel the event and instead plan for a village event in June 2022 to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

We had a low key Annual General meeting in the meeting room at the Hall in September 2021 reflecting everyone's concern about the uncertainties of the pandemic.

In December we sadly said goodbye to our administrator and caretaker. We are extremely grateful for all the hard work they have put in to running the Hall efficiently and smoothly, maintaining it to a high level of cleanliness and making sure all routine maintenance checks and tests have been carried out. They generously warned us in good time of their intention to stand down which enabled us to seek and appoint Vicki Katz as our new administrator and Alan Connor as our new caretaker in January 2022.

We have continued to invest in our facilities. New blinds have been fitted into the Hall and we have had the gully trap in the car park cleaned out and flushed through to try to alleviate the problem of the car park flooding in bad weather.

A new Bluetooth Portable speaker system with wireless Mics, USB and MP3 Karaoke machine has been brought and a new more up to date laptop has been purchased for use by the administrator.

The Committee has had lengthy discussions about how to plan for the future energy provision for the Hall. It has sought advice from local consultants and met with a neighbouring village hall to view and discuss their newly installed solar and air source heat pump installation.

In April 2021 we used some of the Community grant money that was received in April 2020 from Condover Parish Council, to purchase raised beds and a water butt for the Community Garden area next to the Bowling Green. The purpose of the garden is to provide an area where the Village Nursery and Primary school children and local residents, both young and old, can come together and enjoy themselves gardening.

## **Financial Review**

With the gradual easing of restrictions, the income from the hire of the hall to our regular users and one-off hires has risen to £7.8K. This is a big improvement on last year when the pandemic restrictions limited it to just £1.7K. It is still below pre pandemic levels but Government Covid-19 Support Grants of £10.6K from Shropshire Council have helped make up the shortfall.

Total expenditure is £25.3K (including the purchase of assets) an increase of £5.6K compared to the previous year which is as expected given the increased usage of the Hall.

New 24-month contracts for the Hall's mobile phone and business broadband have been signed during the year. This has reduced costs but at the same time enhanced the speed of the broadband service at the Hall for our users.

We have been fortunate that last year we signed new 3-year fixed term contracts for the supply of Gas and Electricity to the Hall. This has also helped minimise the increase in costs.

As a result of prudent housekeeping and the Government support grants the Hall's reserves remain in good shape.

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## Future Plans

We are currently trying to encourage more of the local residents to get involved in the running of the hall and to participate in activities at the hall.

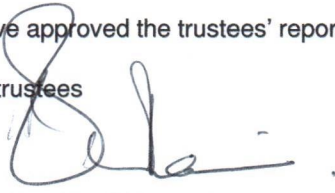
A Burns night has been provisionally booked for February 2023.

The Committee are mindful of the darker inflationary clouds on the horizon particular with regard to energy costs. It has just one year before energy costs will rise massively with the end of our fixed term energy contracts and current fuel prices. To this end it is actively involved in following up an offer from a local firm to install solar panels. It is also seeking quotes for a smart switch to heat water, remote control thermostats, additional loft installation and EV Charging points.

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



**Edward Marvin**  
Chair

27/7/22

**Date**

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**Community Accounting Services Ltd  
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Shrewsbury  
SY3 5PH**

**Date:** 27/8/22

**Dorrington Village Hall  
Income & Expenditure Accounts  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Designated Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>Income</b>					
<b>Grants</b>	10,667	-	-	10,667	20,431
<b>Rental Income</b>					
Doctors Surgery	23,250	-	-	23,250	23,250
Regular Users	5,738	-	-	5,738	1,725
Misc Rents	2,088	-	-	2,088	39
<b>Donations</b>	10	-	-	10	-
<b>Utility recharges</b>	3,044	-	-	3,044	2,814
<b>Fundraising</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Investment Income</b>					
Bank Deposit Interest	6	-	-	6	16
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>44,803</u>	-	-	<u>44,803</u>	<u>48,275</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Mortgage Interest	4,416	-	-	4,416	4,496
Insurance	-	-	-	-	2,025
Maintenance	3,619	-	325	3,944	2,004
Subcontractors	8,773	-	-	8,773	4,148
Accountancy	250	-	-	250	250
Rates & Utilities	5,453	-	-	5,453	4,449
General Expenses	436	-	-	436	459
Telephone & internet	558	-	-	558	670
Website	265	-	-	265	290
Licences and Subscriptions	104	-	-	104	105
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	323
Recreation Association	274	-	-	274	510
Depreciation	229	-	-	229	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>24,377</u>	-	<u>325</u>	<u>24,702</u>	<u>19,729</u>
<b>Net Incoming Resources Before Transfers</b>	20,426	-	(325)	20,101	28,546
<b>Transfer Between Funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Incoming Resources</b>	<u>20,426</u>	-	<u>(325)</u>	<u>20,101</u>	<u>28,546</u>
Fund balance brought forward at 1 April 2021	227,115	58,000	390	285,505	256,959
<b>Fund Balance Carried Forward at 31 March 2022</b>	<u>247,541</u>	<u>58,000</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>305,606</u>	<u>285,505</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

**Dorrington Village Hall  
Balance Sheet  
as at 31 March 2022**

Note	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>				
Freehold Property: Village Hall	475,000		475,000	
Plant & Machinery	<u>687</u>		<u>-</u>	
		475,687		475,000
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Current Account	15,012		10,606	
Liquidity Account	66,189		55,518	
Cash in hand	<u>3</u>		<u>9</u>	
		81,204		66,133
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Deposits Held	(339)		(339)	
Value Added Tax	<u>(1,074)</u>		<u>(827)</u>	
		(1,413)		(1,166)
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>				
Mortgage Account	<u>(249,872)</u>		<u>(254,462)</u>	
		(249,872)		(254,462)
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u><u>305,606</u></u>		<u><u>285,505</u></u>
 <b>Represented by Funds</b>				
Unrestricted fund		247,541		227,115
Designated fund		58,000		58,000
Restricted funds		65		390
		<u><u>305,606</u></u>		<u><u>285,505</u></u>

The Trustees approve the accounts which comprise of the SOFA, the Balance Sheet and the related notes and acknowledge their responsibility for the accounts, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework, and for providing Community Accounting Services Ltd with all information and explanations necessary for their compilation.

**Edward Marvin  
Chair**

**Date**

  
27/7/22

**THE HOPE EDWARDES INSTITUTE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1108683

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# Accounts

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**Financial Statements**

**For The Year Ended 31 March 2021**

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**Structure, Governance and Management**

The Hope Edwardes Institute was established in 1927 as a charitable organisation in support of the inhabitants of the Parish of Dorrington. It is run in accordance with the Scheme of the Commissioners dated 24 June 1982 and was registered with the Charity Commission on 22 March 2005. In May 2008 the original Village Hall which was not suitable for disabled access was replaced by a new single storey Community Centre with a Doctors surgery included.

**Trustee selection methods**

The trustees are appointed by the Committee of Management. The Committee of Management is responsible for the day to day running of the charity but the overall management rests with Condover Parish Council as Custodian Trustees.

Members of the Committee of Management are elected annually at the Annual General meeting. They are made up of two elements. An elected group of six members including a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and a group of seven representative members from the various groups and societies that use the Village Hall including Condover Parish Council, Parochial Church Council, Bowling Club, Football Club, Women's Institute, Dorrington School and nursery and Young Farmers Club.

**Objectives and Activities**

The object of the charity is the provision and maintenance of a community facility for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Dorrington without distinction of political, religious or other opinions including use for:

- (a) Meetings, lectures and classes, and
- (b) other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants of Dorrington.

**Achievements and Performance in the year**

The Covid-19 Pandemic meant the year began with the Hall closed in a National Lockdown to curb the spread of the virus.

During this first lockdown period the Hall was actively involved in supporting vulnerable residents and those in need. A collection point was set up at the hall for the provision of emergency supplies and the Hall's administrator helped coordinate the delivery of prescriptions and medicines. Leaflets were produced and hand delivered by volunteers to inform local residents of the help and support available. A successful application was made to Shropshire Council for a Covid-19 Small grant of £500 to help cover the cost of this provision.

At the end of July 2020 measures were put in place to enable the hall to reopen safely and be Covid-19 Compliant. A Covid-19 Risk assessment was written, Users were updated on the Special Conditions for Hire of the Hall, the Hall was thoroughly cleaned, and new cleaning arrangements put in place. A one-way system was set up to minimise contact, Posters, Signage and Hand Sanitisers were installed and all necessary safety checks made. The Trustees wish to thank both our caretaker and administrator who have proved as reliable as ever and have helped not only to maintain the cleanliness and upkeep of the Hall but also the COVID secure status of the premises.

We successfully reopened in August to a number of our regular users and were pleased to welcome some new ones. Unfortunately, a second lockdown in November forced the Hall to close again. It reopened for a short period in December when lockdown measures were released but had to close for a third lockdown in January 2021 for the remainder of the financial year.

Throughout the year the Committee of management has continued to have regular meetings using zoom. It also used zoom to hold its AGM in October 2020.

New Acoustic boards have been donated and fitted into the meeting room which has greatly improved its acoustics.

In April 2020 a Community Grant of £500 was received from Condover Parish Council to help fund the cost of improving and developing a Community Garden area next to the bowling green. The purpose of the garden is to provide an area where the Village Nursery and Primary school children and local residents, both young and old, can come together and enjoy themselves gardening. A plan has been designed for the garden and in March 2020 the Nursery and Primary school children with the help of local residents planted 105 donated bare root trees in the garden to create a small copse and new boundary hedge. Local residents have been invited to take part in Covid-19 secure gardening days during the year. In April 2021 raised beds and a water butt have been purchased with the balance of the grant monies and these will be used to grow vegetables and flowers in the garden.

## **Financial Review**

With the closure of the hall for much of the year and restrictions on use when the Hall has been allowed to open, the income from the hire of the hall to our regular users and one-off hires has been just over £1.7K compared to 11.7K in the previous year. It has not been possible to have any fundraising events and no donations have been received. Fortunately, the Rental income and Utility recharges income from the Doctor's surgery have not been affected by the Pandemic and are in line with the previous year.

We have also been eligible for Government Covid-19 Support Grants from Shropshire Council totalling £19.4K. This has compensated for the income lost through the mandated closure of the Hall.

The fundraising costs shown in the accounts relate to payments made in April 2020 in respect of events held in the previous year.

New 3-year fixed term contracts for the supply of Gas and Electricity to the Hall have been set up. Based on historic usage data these will save money in the future.

In the current climate of uncertainty, it was decided at the start of the year to only undertake necessary checks, assessments, essential servicing, and maintenance work. Fortunately, the Hall's old boiler has not required any repairs. However extra cleaning costs have been incurred for Covid-19 compliance.

As a result of prudent housekeeping and the Government support grants the Hall's reserves are in good shape. £20K has been set aside for future improvements and any major maintenance work in to the sinking fund leaving net unrestricted incoming resources for the year of £8.7K.

### **Reserves Policy**

It is the objective of the trustees to maintain income at a level which ensures basic running costs are met and it aims to set aside £5K per annum to a sinking fund to cover the cost of any future improvements and/or major maintenance work. This year it was decided to transfer £20k to the sinking fund and at 31 March 2021 the balance of this fund was £58K.

During the year a restricted grant of £500 was received from Condover Parish Council to help fund the cost of improving and developing a Community Garden area next to the bowling green. At 31 March 2021 £390 of this Grant had not been spent.

### **Future Plans**

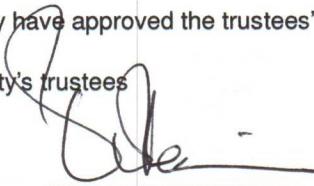
It is hoped that soon Covid-19 restrictions will be released fully or at least enough to allow the use of the Hall to return to something approaching the past pattern.

The Committee of Management is seriously considering installing solar panels as an alternative energy option for the Hall and will be seeking advice and up to date costings in the forthcoming months. It is also looking to replace the Hall's boiler which is now more than 10 years old and plans to replace the blinds in the Main Hall and to purchase a new PA system. The old PA system was sadly stolen in January 2021 when the Hall was temporarily opened to allow an engineer to carry out PAT testing.

### **Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



**Edward Marvin**  
**Chair**

29/9/21

**Date**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the  
Management Committee of Dorrington Village Hall  
on the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

We report on the accounts of Dorrington Village Hall for the period ended 31 March 2021.

The Group's officers are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Group's officers consider that an audit is not required for this year and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts
- to follow the general directions for the conduct of an independent examination
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with general directions for an independent examination. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the committee 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 explanations from you as a committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

1. which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep appropriate accounting records; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with applicable financial reporting standardshave not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*Community Accounting Services Ltd*

**Community Accounting Services Ltd  
7 Napoleon Drive  
Shrewsbury  
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**Date:** 07/10/2021

**Dorrington Village Hall  
Income & Expenditure Accounts  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Designated Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
<b>Income</b>					
<b>Grants</b>	19,431	-	1,000	20,431	1,500
<b>Rental Income</b>					
Doctors Surgery	23,250	-	-	23,250	23,250
Regular Users	1,725	-	-	1,725	9,452
Misc Rents	39	-	-	39	2,273
<b>Donations</b>	-	-	-	-	41
<b>Utility recharges</b>	2,814	-	-	2,814	2,759
<b>Fundraising</b>	-	-	-	-	2,009
<b>Investment Income</b>					
Bank Deposit Interest	16	-	-	16	75
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>47,275</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>48,275</u>	<u>41,359</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Mortgage Interest	4,496	-	-	4,496	4,574
Insurance	2,025	-	-	2,025	3,786
Maintenance	2,004	-	-	2,004	11,127
Subcontractors	3,683	-	465	4,148	9,380
Accountancy	250	-	-	250	250
Rates & Utilities	4,449	-	-	4,449	6,817
General Expenses	315	-	144	459	596
Telephone & internet	670	-	-	670	795
Website	290	-	-	290	240
Licences and Subscriptions	105	-	-	105	157
Fundraising	4	-	319	323	1,555
Recreation Association	510	-	-	510	108
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>18,801</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>928</u>	<u>19,729</u>	<u>39,385</u>
<b>Net Incoming Resources Before Transfers</b>	28,474	-	72	28,546	1,974
<b>Transfer Between Funds</b>	(19,758)	20,000	(242)	-	-
<b>Net Incoming Resources</b>	<u>8,716</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>(170)</u>	<u>28,546</u>	<u>1,974</u>
Fund balance brought forward at 1 April 2020	218,399	38,000	560	256,959	254,985
<b>Fund Balance Carried Forward at 31 March 2021</b>	<u>227,115</u>	<u>58,000</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>285,505</u>	<u>256,959</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.


**Dorrington Village Hall  
Balance Sheet  
as at 31 March 2021**

Note	£	2021	£	2020	£
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>					
Freehold Property: Village Hall			475,000		475,000
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Current Account		10,606		3,508	
Liquidity Account		55,518		38,167	
Cash in hand		9		315	
		9	66,133	315	41,990
<b>Current Liabilities</b>					
Deposits Held		(339)		(339)	
Value Added Tax		(827)		(719)	
		(827)	(1,166)	(719)	(1,058)
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>					
Mortgage Account		(254,462)		(258,973)	
		(254,462)	(254,462)	(258,973)	(258,973)
<b>Net Assets</b>					
		285,505		256,959	
<b>Represented by Funds</b>					
Unrestricted fund			227,115		218,399
Designated fund			58,000		38,000
Restricted funds			390		560
			285,505		256,959

The Trustees approve the accounts which comprise of the SOFA, the Balance Sheet and the related notes and acknowledge their responsibility for the accounts, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework, and for providing Community Accounting Services Ltd with all information and explanations necessary for their compilation.

Edward Marvin  
Chair

Date

  
29/9/21