

Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Charity Name: Withern Village Hall Committee

Charity Number: 1109310

Address: Withern Village Hall, Alford Road, Withern, LN13 0NF

Objectives and Activities

Withern Village Hall Committee exists to manage and maintain Withern Village Hall for the benefit of the local community. The charity's objectives are:

- To provide a safe, accessible venue for community groups and social events.
- To promote community cohesion through inclusive activities and affordable facility hire.
- To preserve and enhance the village hall as a community asset for current and future generations.

The trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in carrying out their duties.

Achievements and Performance

During the year, the committee continued to host events that brought the community together:

- The annual Flower and Vegetable Show was once again a great success.
- Events also organised by the committee were: Race Night, Bingo Nights, Christmas Fair and Quiz Night, with all being well attended.

The Hall was hired regularly for clubs and private functions:

- The clubs Withern Sewing Bee and Withern Art Group have been held at the Hall for many years and continue to be held every week.
- New group activities started during the year including: Gentle Years Yoga, Game Board Café and Age UK Friendship Group.
- Withern with Stain Parish Council and St Margaret's C of E Primary School Withern PTA hire the hall for their meetings as it is the most suitable venue in the village.

Progress continued on the new village hall project, including:

- Securing funding from Nuclear Waste Services (NWS) to support the planning permission process.
- Obtaining quotes and design proposals for the new hall.
- Submitting a planning application to East Lindsey District Council.

Financial Review

The charity remains in a stable financial position:

- Total income: £29,797. This includes the £15,000 grant from NWS and a £5,000 legacy donation. The bulk of our income was generated through hall hire and funds raised from events.
- Total expenditure: £14,026. Of the NWS grant, £5,957 was spent. General expenditure was primarily driven by maintenance, utility bills and insurance.
- A surplus is retained for contingency purposes to ensure any emergency can be promptly addressed.
- The trustees regularly review the financial standing of the charity.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is governed by its trustees, who manage the Village Hall in accordance with the charity's constitution. As of 31 March 2025, the trustees were:

- Hollie Pocklington (Chair), Jackie Brazier (Secretary), Luke Vernon (Treasurer), Gwen Acklam (Bookings Secretary), Sue Pollard, Chris Pocklington, Sarah Kennett.

Trustees that resigned during the year:

- Will Hart, Jackie Harvey Brown.

Meetings were held regularly throughout the year to discuss events, finances, maintenance and any other business relating to the Village Hall. Decisions are made collectively in line with the constitution.

Future Plans

Looking ahead, the committee aims to:

- Pursue funding for the construction of a new village hall

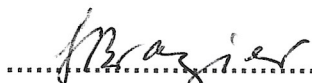
Declaration

Approved by the trustees on:

Signed on their behalf by:



Hollie Pocklington
Chair



Jackie Brazier
Secretary



Luke Vernon
Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Withern Village Hall Committee	No (if any) 1109310
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £
Receipts				
Bar	1,018	-	-	1,018
Donations	5,104	-	-	5,104
Events	2,813	-	-	2,813
Grants	-	15,595	-	15,595
Hall hire	4,124	-	-	4,124
Interest earned	182	-	-	182
Newsletter	666	-	-	666
Refunds	296	-	-	296
Total receipts	14,202	15,595	-	29,797
Payments				
Bank charges	82	-	-	82
Bar	605	-	-	605
Cleaning	823	-	-	823
Consumables	95	-	-	95
Council tax	179	-	-	179
Events	955	-	-	955
Grants	-	6,552	-	6,552
Insurance	739	-	-	739
Licensing	171	-	-	171
Maintenance	1,227	-	-	1,227
Miscellaneous	94	-	-	94
Newsletter	663	-	-	663
Signage	114	-	-	114
Stationery	10	-	-	10
Utilities	1,717	-	-	1,717
Total payments	7,473	6,552	-	14,026
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,729	9,043	-	15,772
Cash funds last year end	14,441	-	-	14,441
Cash funds this year end	21,170	9,043	-	30,213

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Cash funds	Current account	7,488	-	-
	Deposit account	13,242	-	-
	NWS grant	-	9,043	-
	Cash	440	-	-
	Total cash funds	21,170	9,043	-
Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Bar stock	Unrestricted	139	-
	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Withern Village Hall Committee

On accounts for the year
ended

31/03/2025

Charity no
(if any)

1109310

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

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:

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Date:

10/12/2025

Name:

IAN DUNCAN HART

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

Address:

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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.