



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
<b>From</b>	Day 1	Month Sept	Year 2023	<b>To</b>	Day 31	Month Aug	Year 2024

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** South Newton and Wishford Recreation Centre

**Other names charity is known by** South Newton and Wishford Village Hall

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1113143

**Charity's principal address** South Newton and Wishford Village Hall

Warminster Road

South Newton, Salisbury, Wiltshire

Postcode

SP20PJ

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Derek Mitford Blake	Chairman		Management Committee
2	Samantha Jane Lawrence	Vice Chair		"
3	Karen Ann Barnes	Secretary and Treasurer		"
4	Heather Christine Bryans	Trustee		"
5	Janet Ann Hailstone	Trustee		"
6	Cheryl Ann Hooper	Trustee		"
7	Henry Roper Swanton	Trustee		"
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### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	Lloyds Bank Plc	38 Blue Boar Row, Salisbury, SP1 1DB
Independent Examiner	Tim Sainsbury	16 South Street, Wilton, SP2 0JS

## Section B

## Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Scheme Dated 10 October 1980
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust -
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees and Management Committee elected at AGM

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

## Section C

## Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISHES OF SOUTH NEWTON AND GREAT WISHFORD, THE AREA OF BENEFIT, FOR RECREATION AND OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

Provision of Village Hall, sports ground and changing facilities, open space, children's play area and associated activities.

Activities this year included:

Weekly Bingo  
Breakfast Mornings  
Annual Stofest Music Festival.  
Football and Annual Football Tournament  
Andy Pandy's Play Group  
Fayres

Hall hires included:

Fitness – Happy Hearts  
Able Hands  
Valley Arts  
Clubbercise  
Band practice  
Private parties – Children, Funeral Teas, Eid celebrations  
Corporate training days for local businesses  
Charity walks  
Polling days

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising their powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

#### **Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

N/A

N/A

See Chairman's Report in Section D

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

Activity was higher than the previous year.

Fund raising continued:

Clothes collection  
Textile Bank  
Ink cartridge recycling  
Aluminium can recycling  
Donated book sales

**Chairman's Report 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024**

A very good evening ladies and gentleman; nice to see so many of you here this evening and welcome to the 2024 AGM.

**Overview of events for the year**

**The 200 Club**

Heather Bryans manages our 200 Club assisted by Janet Hailstone. It remains a source of steady income and was specifically created to fund the play area. It may not be used for other purposes. Last year I had to report the damage caused by vandals. Unfortunately, they have been at it again this year! The play equipment is very expensive and all that the vandals achieve is to deprive the smaller children of the play facilities. Thank you to Craig and Brad from CAW Carpentry and Building Services for all you did to repair the slide again but has now been damaged beyond repair and has had to be replaced. Heather is always looking to increase membership of the 200 Club so please do join up and benefit our charity.

Our regular Bingo Evenings are managed by Cheryl Hooper with Janet Hailstone and enjoyed by many. They also manage the popular Easter and Christmas Bingo events which are attended by people from all over the area and make an excellent profit for us.

Breakfast Mornings on the last Saturday of the month are a real highlight with Janet and Rob the chief cooks, ably assisted by many of the committee. Very popular and last month we cooked for more than forty people.

The Six a Side Football Tournament held in June. By tradition, the village hall team are responsible for providing the BBQ and refreshments. Two extremely long and busy days commencing early on Saturday morning before 7.00am and finished more than 12 hours later! Bright and early again on Sunday morning for another long day. The kitchen almost ran out of cakes and sandwiches! We received fantastic feedback from the coaches, refs and the children. This weekend is a major fund raiser for us.

Stofest 2024. Well we did not have to cancel this year! A Family Fun Day in the afternoon, then fabulous music from the bands, all of whom played for free again. Great BBQ, Refreshments and for the first time, a full Beer Tent offering as well as the Gin Bar. All managed by our very hardworking committee with Tim and Helen Phelps joining us to run the Beer Tent. Plus some family and friends who always pitch in.

I must comment on Barney's Wheelbarrow! An idea of Barney Lawrence to buy a wheelbarrow and fill it with drinks to run separately from our main raffle. At £5 for a ticket, they sold a huge number taking over

£700.00 in profit!

Stofest was the brainchild of Barney and Sam Lawrence and has grown every year. People join us from far and wide and it is a fantastic event. Just remember, the organisers who never get to enjoy the day or watch and listen to the music! A huge thank you to all of you; especially Barney and Sam and their friends and workers who help set up and support the event.

#### **Our Accounts**

My sister Karen ably assisted by my brother in law Gordon, have been dealing with the finances since before lockdown. They are rigorous in their management of our hard earned money. Karen has changed several contracts with the agreement of the committee to ensure we obtain cheaper deals and they are always on the lookout for grants or funding opportunities. Karen will talk you through the accounts which I know balanced to the penny again. Our Honorary Auditor Tim Sainsbury has agreed to continue with the audit for us and has approved the accounts. Thank you.

#### **The Future of the Recreation Centre and Village Hall**

Our vision remains to renovate the village hall to create more modern and up to date facilities for all our community. The old hall has been condemned and is no longer in use. The Football Club had expanded so rapidly that we recognised and concluded that we simply cannot cope with their level of expansion at our site. Football is now using other pitches and facilities as well as ours and for now, there are no plans to expand here. The FA has also not being able to provide them with any funding.

All our metal doors have been replaced as a first stage renovation and we shall be discussing what comes next.

#### **Thank You**

To your hardworking Committee and all their family and friends. Without you, we would not be able to operate the Village Hall and to everyone who comes along and supports our events and donates time, money and effort.

Finally, a personal thank you from me.

Derek M Blake

Chairman

23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

Separate reserves are held for:  
 Multi-Surface Fund raising, specifically to fund the children's play area  
 Hall Extension Fund Raising – specifically for a new extension, changing rooms  
 General Fund Raising and Hall Running (historic arrangement for two) should be viewed as one fund for contingency.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

The Hall Running account is in deficit – the history of this relates to the initial building and setting up of the hall and it running in deficit for many years since the 1980s

**Treasurer and Secretary Report**

We have had another very successful year and continue to be busy with bookings and events. Our fund raising efforts saw some spectacular results during the year. But, this year we have also spent considerable sums on upgrading the village hall which are shown in the accounts.

**Grants**

None.

**Income and Expenditure****Hall Running Account**

Lettings income for the New Hall £8006.25 and the Old Hall £270.00. Against this, our electricity costs were £2510.40 and £1148.65 respectively, very slightly down on the previous year. We are very grateful to South Newton Parish Council for once again voting to provide precept moneys of £1200.00 but unfortunately, this sum is not shown in the accounts as the transfer was not received until early September. We voted to raise the Football Club rent to £1,000.00 after several years during Covid when we charged a token sum. The increase in rental is based upon the 1990 annual rent uprated by inflation. Unfortunately, the rent was received in early September, too late for this financial year.

Our internet contract has been moved to another company and reduced the costs considerably.

Turning to the Equipment and Repairs section, you will see a huge hike in expenses. An electrical report had to be completed for our insurance costing £720 and associated electrical works costing £2959.32, a total of £3679.32. CCTV was installed by a villager who gave us an excellent deal costing £3217.12. We have also replaced the old metal doors at a cost of £8114.80. Some very large sums involved.

**General Fund Raising**

Fundraising raised a net sum of £22105.77. Quite amazing!

Highlights include the following; Bingo events £2017.60, Breakfast Mornings £2173.28, Football Tournament catering £4576.44 (up by £1429.33 on last year) and Stofest 2024 £8149.81 (up by £3225.48 on last year) plus Stofest 2024 donations of £995.00.

We were also fortunate to have received generous donations totalling £2901.90 during the year. Including £2222.75 from Wayne Lawrence who set up an online raffle for a new theme park ride tickets and generously included us as one of the beneficiaries for which we are very grateful.

**Multi Surface**

The 200 Club has provided a net income of £1333 against which we have the annual ROSPA inspection and another spring for the damaged see saw. Total net income of £1122.89. Heather is always on the lookout for new members to join the 200 Club which was created exclusively to fund the play area.

**Balance Sheet**

Turning to the balance sheet, this now reflects the changes that I have outlined and the sums in the bank account and the NS&I account.



### The Future

We are so fortunate to have a thriving Village Hall and Recreation facilities. Many small village halls are struggling hand to mouth and I frequently receive reports of them not being able to fund their electricity bills. Some halls are asking for help in how to attract bookings. Some are closing for good. We have a nucleus of committee members who are involved plus their friends and family without whom we would not be able to continue. We are all getting older and must attract and engage new people to help this community thrive. Fundraising efforts continue and a huge thank you to everyone involved donating their time, their staff, cake making, providing food for the Breakfast Mornings and raffle prizes.

### Honorary Auditor

Our Honorary Auditor Tim Sainsbury has asked that we show the major expenses in the Hall Running Account. He has requested that we consider the following;

Given the large costs in the year, consider a transfer from the General Fund Raising Account across to the Hall Running Account. Also, allocate funds again from the General Fund Raising Account across to the Hall Extension Fund Raising Account. We should also consider placing more funds on deposit with NSandI keeping a baseline in the current account of circa £30,000.00. This will need to be considered by the newly elected committee for 2024/2025.

Again, our income has breached the £25,000 sum and therefore, we have to comply with the Charity Commission requirements. We publish our accounts, an Annual Trustees Report and our Honorary Auditors Certification on the Charity Commission website.

Tim Sainsbury has once again taken on our audit as Honorary Auditor and has signed off the accounts for the year 2023/2024. We are very grateful to Tim and a vote of thanks for this.

**Karen Barnes**

**22nd October 2024**


## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Derek Mitford Blake

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairman

Date

23/01/2025



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

South Newton and Wishford Recreation Centre

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31/08/2024

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1113143

**Set out on pages**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2021.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

**Signed:**

**Date:**

18/02/2025

**Name:**

Timothy John Sainsbury

**Address:**

16 South Street, Wilton, Wiltshire, SP2 0JS



Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

**South Newton and Wishford Recreation Centre**  
**Charity Number 1113143**  
**Balance Sheet as at 31st August 2024**

	2024	2023
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Freehold Property		
Cricket Square & Outfield Purchased 1975	£1,978.60	£1,978.60
Buildings & Equipment		
Built 1981	£45,876.84	£45,876.84
Extension to Property		
Built 1997	£7,469.50	£7,469.50
Multi Surface Area		
Built 2005	£32,826.63	£32,826.63
	<b>£88,151.57</b>	<b>£88,151.57</b>
<b>Investments</b>		
NS&I Account		
	£58,217.88	£57,770.91
	<b>£58,217.88</b>	<b>£57,770.91</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash at Bank		
Cash in Hand	£82,392.45	£76,421.40
Floats		
Debtors - prepaid/amounts due		
	<b>£82,392.45</b>	<b>£76,421.40</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Creditors		
	£0.00	£0.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>£228,761.90</b>	<b>£222,343.88</b>
<b>Financed By</b>		
Gifted Capital		
Donated by Committee 1981	£16,870.14	£16,870.14
Capital Grants Received		
New Hall Build	£26,764.50	£26,764.50
Multi Surface	£16,967.46	£16,967.46
	<b>£43,731.96</b>	<b>£43,731.96</b>
Accumulated Reserves		
Fund Raising	£142,238.24	£120,132.47
Hall Running	-£55,041.29	-£38,230.65
Multi Surface Fund Raising	£23,713.66	£22,590.77
Hall Extension Fund Raising	£57,249.19	£57,249.19
	<b>£228,761.90</b>	<b>£222,343.88</b>

**South Newton and Wishford Recreation Centre**  
**Charity Number 1113143**  
**Year Ended 31st August 2024**

**Hall Running Account**

**Income**

			2024 Net	2023 Net
	Income	Deposit Refunds		
General Lettings Old Hall	£270.00		£270.00	£655.00
General Lettings New Hall	£8,705.00	£698.75	£8,006.25	£8,101.75
PreceptSouth Newton Parish Council	£0.00		£0.00	£1,200.00
Club Rents - Football	£0.00		£0.00	£250.00
	£8,975.00	£698.75	£8,276.25	
			<b>£8,276.25</b>	<b>£10,206.75</b>

**Expenditure**

	Cost		
Ground Rent		£145.00	£145.00
Water		£276.39	£192.10
Grass Cutting & Field Maintenance		£360.00	£0.00
Mower Repairs		£105.50	£0.00
Performing Rights Society		£165.16	£412.66
Insurance		£2,601.48	£2,052.53
Heat/Light Old Hall	£1,148.65		
Heat/Light New Hall	£2,510.40		
Heat/Light total		£3,659.05	£3,694.26
Equipment and Repairs			
General	£38.37	£38.37	£144.00
Electrical works and report	£2,959.32	£3,679.32	
CCTV	£3,217.12	£3,217.12	
New doors	£8,114.80	£8,114.80	
Kitchen	£206.76	£206.76	£361.72
Internet		£379.50	£767.89
WCC - Lottery Licence		£20.00	£20.00
Secretarial/Treasurer Expenses & Stationery			£34.99
Cleaner		£1,590.00	£1,500.00
Waste Disposal		£478.44	£373.56
ACRE Subscription		£50.00	£50.00

	<b>£25,086.89</b>	<b>£9,748.71</b>
<b>Profit/Loss for the Year</b>	<b>-£16,810.64</b>	<b>£458.04</b>
<b>Accumulated Reserves at 1st September 2023</b>	<b>-£38,230.65</b>	<b>-£38,688.69</b>
<b>Accumulated Reserves at 31st August 2024</b>	<b>-£55,041.29</b>	<b>-£38,230.65</b>

**South Newton and Wishford Recreation Centre**  
**Charity Number 1113143**  
**Year Ended 31st August 2024**

**General Fund Raising Account**

			2024 Net	2023 Net
<b>Income</b>				
	Income	Event Expense		
Bingo	£481.00	£219.40	£261.60	£354.00
Bingo Events - Easter, Christmas	£1,756.00		£1,756.00	£1,649.50
Breakfast Mornings	£2,921.71	£748.43	£2,173.28	£2,244.97
Stofest	£12,131.57	£3,981.76	£8,149.81	£4,924.33
Stofest Donations	£995.00		£995.00	£2,476.00
Football Tournament Catering	£8,102.37	£3,525.93	£4,576.44	£3,147.11
Fayres - Spring and Christmas	£564.85	£15.29	£549.56	£939.29
Quiz Night		£100.00	£100.00	£518.66
Caravan Club catering				£786.83
Clothes Charity	£171.00		£171.00	£96.00
Textile Bank	£109.50		£109.50	£150.00
Aluminum Cans	£93.36		£93.36	£36.72
Donations	£2,901.90		£2,901.90	£952.46
Book Sales	£0.00		£0.00	£64.01
Hastoe Housing Grant				£100.00
Clear up day				£19.90
Cartridge Recycling	£21.35		£21.35	£179.80
Interest - NS&I			£446.97	£53.72
	£30,249.61	£8,590.81	£22,105.77	£18,693.30
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Fund Raising for the year			£22,105.77	£18,693.30
Accumulated Reserves at 1st September 2023			£120,132.47	£113,439.17
Transfer to Hall Extension Fund				£12,000.00
Accumulated Reserves at 31st August 2024			£142,238.24	£120,132.47

**Hall Extension Fund Raising Account**

	2024	2023
<b>Expenditure</b>		
	£0.00	£0.00
Accumulated Reserves at 1st September 2023	£57,249.19	£45,249.19
Transfer from General Fund Raising		£12,000.00
Accumulated Reserves at 31st August 2024	£57,249.19	£57,249.19

**South Newton and Wishford Recreation Centre**  
**Charity Number 1113143**  
**Year Ended 31st August 2024**

**Multi Surface Fund Raising Account**

**Income**

	Income	Expense	2024 Net	2023 Net
200 Club	£2,633.00	£1,300.00	£1,333.00	£1,347.00
			<b>£1,333.00</b>	<b>£1,347.00</b>

**Expenditure**

Play Safety - ROSPA Inspection			£106.80	£100.80
Replacement spring for see-saw			£103.31	£103.02
Clear up costs				£180.00
			<b>£210.11</b>	<b>£383.82</b>

**Fund Raising for the Year**

**£1,122.89                      £963.18**

**Accumulated Reserves at 1st September 2024**

**£23,713.66                      £22,590.77**