

**Registered Number 07030896**

**Charity 1133679**

**LONGFIELD HALL TRUST**

**Report and Accounts for the year ended**

**30 September 2024**

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## **LONGFIELD HALL TRUST**

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**Trustees Report for the year ended 30 September 2024**

### **Trustees**

The trustees who served during the year were as follows:

Mr William Richard Ollard

Ms Juliet Williams

Ms Patricia Omonua

Ms Kikelumo Omonua

Mr James Gardiner-Hill

Ms Christina Hughes-Onslow

Ms Clare Cary

Ms Rosy Crehan

Ms Scarlett Fishburn

### **Registered office**

50 Knatchbull Road, London, SE5 9QY

### **Bankers**

Barclays Bank PLC, Leicester, LE87 2BB

### **Charity Aims**

Longfield Hall Trust manages the historic Grade 2 listed Hall on behalf of the local community. In October 2019 it signed a 39 year lease on Longfield Hall with the London Borough of Lambeth. It achieves its charitable objectives by looking after and improving the building and providing an affordable space for education, performance, rehearsals, recreation, meetings and other activities.

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### **Activities**

Longfield Hall first opened in 1889 and has been serving the area around Myatt's Fields, Camberwell ever since. In 1992, Lambeth handed the Hall over to the Friends of Longfield Hall (FoLH). In 2010 Lambeth offered this group a 15-year lease on the hall. In 2014, the Friends renamed themselves as Longfield Hall Trust (LHT) and became a new charity (registration number 1133679). As part of this drive towards sustainability, LHT was invited by Lambeth to apply for a community asset transfer of the building from Lambeth to LHT: in October 2019 LHT was granted a 39-year lease on the Hall.

Almost immediately, and as a condition of the lease, LHT started work to improve the Hall, and to make it fully accessible. The initial phase of this project was completed in 2021. LHT would like to thank the organisations which grant-funded the first phase of the enhancement. Alphabetically, they are: Biffa Award, Big Issue Invest, City Bridge Trust, Garfield Weston Foundation, Power to Change, Swire Charitable Trust, Veolia Environmental Trust, and Viridor Environmental Credits.

LHT's business is managing the hall as a community space in an area which is extraordinarily diverse, in terms of income, race and age. Although the area immediately adjacent to the hall is apparently affluent, around it are some of the most deprived communities in south London.

LHT's social purpose is to meet the needs of its local community. We operate as a 'village hall', providing space for recreation, education & training, public meetings and worship. We also provide spaces for rites of passage such as weddings, wakes and birthday parties. We are also developing the hall as a small-scale performance venue, celebrating its historic role, marked by a Blue Plaque, as the home to the first publicly-funded Black Theatre company in the UK, Dark & Light Theatre.

The major operational change since the enhancement has been that LHT has developed its own projects based at the hall; previously we had merely hosted other organisations. We are grateful to the Friends of the Elderly for funding activities for older people at risk of isolation: this funding supports Longfield Voices, Silver Yoga, and Lo-Fi, a monthly music improvisation workshop. We have also been awarded a number of grants (from Arts Council England, the Foyle Foundation, the Garfield Weston Foundation, the Mackintosh Foundation, and the Newcomen Collett Foundation) to support drama projects for young people in Lambeth and Southwark. In 2024 we took part in the National Theatre Connections scheme which culminated in a performance at Theatre Peckham.

Altogether about 1,500 people use the hall each week. The hall is available for hire seven days a week, 52 weeks a year, usually from 8am to 10pm. LHT has three revenue streams. The first is dry hire of our spaces for classes, meetings, parties, and training. The second is putting on ticketed events (such as Big Fish, Little Fish) and performances. The third is community development – enabling our local community to participate in activities which improve health & wellbeing, combat isolation, improve confidence, and learn new skills.

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**Report on the Year ending 30 September 2024**

Total Income for the year was £245,670 (2023 £164,773), outgoing resources £238,220 (2023 £188,258), resulting in a surplus for the year of £7,450 (2023 deficit £23,485).

These figures need to be understood as a reflection of the way we have accounted for the substantial enhancement we made to the Hall over the past couple of years. These costs of this capital improvement are being amortised over the remaining years of our lease.

Operationally, the charity has focused on managing the increased opportunities, both commercial and charitable, that the enhancement of the Hall has created. The fact that our three principal spaces can now be used independently of each other has produced a significant increase in both usage of the Hall and the scope and scale of the activities we can offer. We now offer a lot more activities for young people, thanks to Jess Alade, our youth engagement manager., who has led our involvement in the National Theatre Connections project.

At the end of the financial year we had 120 people who are, formally, members of the company, LHT, and a further 350 who have asked to be on our email list. Anyone can be a member (and it costs nothing) but almost all the current members are local people who use the hall. The 350 people on our email list are all hall users.

The trustee board answers to the members formally at the Annual General Meeting but also informally at any time. We hope more local people, and particularly younger people, will become members (and trustees) as we develop. Naturally we will consult with the local community at every stage of our development.



Will Ollard  
Chair of Trustees  
25 February 2025



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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Charity**

I report to the trustees on the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2024.

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of 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 explanations 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's 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 Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave 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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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

(Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account & Statement of Total Realised Gains and Losses)  
For the year ended 30 September 2024

	<b>Unrestricted Funds <u>2024</u></b>	<b>Restricted Funds <u>2024</u></b>	<b>Total Funds <u>2024</u></b>	<b>Total Funds <u>2023</u></b>
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Grants and donations received	4,692	94,460	99,152	37,623
Incoming resources from generated funds: Voluntary income	146,518	-	146,518	127,150
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b><u>151,210</u></b>	<b><u>94,460</u></b>	<b><u>245,670</u></b>	<b><u>164,773</u></b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Total Resources Expended	165,806	72,414	238,220	188,258
<b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES / NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>	<b><u>(14,596)</u></b>	<b><u>22,046</u></b>	<b><u>7,450</u></b>	<b><u>(23,485)</u></b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 OCTOBER</b>	<b>23,054</b>	<b>495,826</b>	<b>518,880</b>	<b>542,465</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER</b>	<b><u>8,458</u></b>	<b><u>517,872</u></b>	<b><u>526,330</u></b>	<b><u>518,880</u></b>

**LONGFIELD HALL TRUST (Company limited by guarantee)****Registered Number 07030896 [charity 1133679]****Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2024**

	Notes	2024	2023
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	3	606,995	629,865
Current assets			
Debtors and prepayments	4	13,106	16,727
Cash at bank		28,879	11,786
Current liabilities			
Creditors and accruals due within one year	5	(92,757)	(73,209)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		(50,772)	(44,696)
Creditors due after one year	5	(29,893)	(66,289)
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b><u>526,330</u></b>	<b><u>518,880</u></b>
<b>Reserves</b>			
Retained unrestricted reserve		8,480	23,054
Restricted funds	6	<u>517,922</u>	<u>495,826</u>
Total reserves		<b><u>526,330</u></b>	<b><u>518,880</u></b>

The trustees are satisfied that for the year in question the charitable company was entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act. However, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner whose report appears on page 3.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

Approved by the trustees on 25 February 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



William Ollard, Director



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**Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 30 September 2024**

- 1 Accounting Policies  
Basis of measurement and preparation of accounts  
These accounts have not been audited, but they have been externally reviewed.
- 2 The Company is limited by guarantee and consequently does not have a share capital.
- 3 The Charity premises are the subject of a lease from Lambeth Council.  
  
Assets are depreciated over the following periods:  
Office equipment over 3 years  
Leasehold improvements over their estimated useful life of between 5 and 40 years

**Tangible Assets**

	<u>2024</u>			<u>2023</u>
	Leasehold Improvements	Office Equipment	Total	Total
Cost as at 1 October	697,283	6,920	704,203	704,203
Additions at cost	-	-	-	-
Cost as at cost 30 September	<u>697,283</u>	<u>6,920</u>	<u>704,203</u>	<u>704,203</u>
Depreciation as at 1 October	67,418	6,920	74,338	51,052
Depreciation charge for the year	<u>22,870</u>	-	<u>22,870</u>	<u>23,286</u>
Depreciation as at 30 September	<u>90,288</u>	<u>6,920</u>	<u>97,208</u>	<u>74,338</u>
Net book value as at 30 September	<u>606,995</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>606,995</u>	<u>629,865</u>

Additions to leasehold improvements in the comparative year represent the costs of building improvement works carried out and bought into use during that year. The grants that funded these works are treated as restricted funds amortised over their expected useful life, from financial year 2020/21 onwards.

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**4 Debtors and Prepayments**

	<b><u>2024</u></b>	<b><u>2023</u></b>
Trade Debtors	<b>7,517</b>	13,416
Prepayments	<b><u>5,589</u></b>	<u>3,311</u>
Total	<b><u>13,106</u></b>	<b><u>16,727</u></b>

**5 Creditors, Accruals and Deferred income**

	<b><u>2024</u></b>	<b><u>2023</u></b>
Creditors and accruals	<b>27,912</b>	5,784
Amount held on behalf of third parties	<b>16,917</b>	33,092
Loans due within 1 year	<b>47,928</b>	34,333
Total	<b><u>92,757</u></b>	<b><u>73,209</u></b>

Loans due after 1 year	<b><u>29,893</u></b>	<b><u>66,289</u></b>
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**6 Related party transactions. There have been no reportable transactions with the directors.**

**7 Capital commitments**

At 30 September 2024 LHT had committed £Nil [2023 £Nil] in respect of capital works.

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**8 Restricted funds**

<u>Brought forward</u>	<u>Incoming resources</u>	<u>Resources expended</u>	<u>Carried forward</u>
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£8,000	£nil	£(2,000)	£6,000
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Grant from Sport England to fund a new hall sprung floor.

£14,809	£nil	£nil	£14,809
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Grants from London Community Foundation to fund Craft Your Future DIY programme.

£nil	£10,000	£nil	£10,000
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Grants from Tom's Trust to fund Youth Drama activities in summer 2025.

£nil	£25,000	£(11,404)	£13,596
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Grants from Foyle Foundation to fund 12-month support of LHT Youth Performing Arts programme which offers weekly free theatre workshops to young people (6-16) and supports those from disadvantaged backgrounds to access valuable progression opportunities incl. National Theatre's Connections.

£nil	£22,500	£(15,784)	£6,716
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Grants from Arts Council England to fund Young Longfield Performing Arts Programme.

£nil	£1,500	£(1,500)	£Nil
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Grants from Newcomen Collet to fund youth drama at Longfield Hall for pupils from London Borough of Southwark.

£nil	£4,860	£(4,860)	£Nil
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Grants from Lambeth HAF to fund Summer 2024 Holiday Activities and Food.

£nil	£10,000	£(3,746)	£6,254
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Grants from Garfield Weston Foundation to fund all elements of our Youth Drama programme.

£nil	£6,000	£(6,000)	£Nil
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Grant from Friends of the Elderly to fund Longfield Voices, Silver Yoga and other activities for pensioners at risk of isolation.

£nil	£14,600	£(13,057)	£1,543
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Grant from The Cameron Mackintosh Foundation and an anonymous donor to fund youth drama at Longfield Hall.

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Restricted Funds (continued) – Capital Improvements detail

<u>Brought forward</u>	<u>Incoming resources</u>	<u>Resources expended</u>	<u>Carried forward</u>
£51,392	£nil	£(1,528)	£49,864
Grant from BIFFA Awards to fund capital improvements to Longfield Hall			
£90,639	£nil	£(2,694)	£87,945
Grant from City Bridge Trust to fund capital improvements to Longfield Hall			
£37,377	£nil	£(1,111)	£36,266
Grant from Garfield Weston Foundation for capital improvements to Longfield Hall			
£200,820	£nil	£(5,972)	£194,848
Grant from Power to Change to fund capital improvements to Longfield Hall			
£16,820	£nil	£(500)	£16,320
Grant from Swire Charitable Trust to fund capital improvements to Longfield Hall.			
£33,639	£nil	£(1,000)	£32,639
Grant from Veolia Environmental Trust to fund capital improvements to Longfield Hall			
£42,330	£nil	£(1,258)	£41,072
Grant from Viridor Credits to fund capital improvements to Longfield Hall.			
£473,017	£nil	£(14,063)	£458,954
Grants to fund capital improvements to Longfield Hall [detailed above]			
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<u>£495,826</u>	<u>£94,460</u>	<u>£(72,414)</u>	<u>£517,872</u>



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**Detailed Expenditure for the year ended 30 September 2024 [Not part of the statutory accounts]**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Rent and rates	9,927	9,480
Staffing	23,704	30,609
Office costs	7,707	6,047
Repairs	4,350	13,135
Direct grant related	58,301	39,298
Community Events	10,389	14,815
Waste collection	2,541	2,042
Utilities	27,838	14,844
Insurance/Security	8,065	3,840
Cleaning	23,108	22,533
Bookkeeping and accounts	3,960	3,860
Professional fees	874	2,845
Depreciation	2,788	3,205
Leasehold Amortisation	20,081	20,081
Loan interest	26,330	-
<b>Marketing &amp; Fundraising</b>	<b>8,595</b>	<b>-</b>
Irrecoverable / (Recovered) VAT	(388)	1,624
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>238,220</u></b>	<b><u>188,258</u></b>