

WHALTON VILLAGE HALL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1157248

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2014-05-29

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO(OBJECTS)ARE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF WHALTON AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS (AS DETERMINED BY THE TRUSTEES):3.1 TO PROVIDE FACILITIES, INCLUDING (BUT NOT RESTRICTED TO) THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL, FOR;3.1.1 MEETINGS, CLASSES AND CLUBS;AND3.1.2 RECREATION OR OTHER FORMS OF LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION;IN PARTICULAR, FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED FOR SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE OR INFIRMITY OR FOR THE PUBLIC AT LARGE IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS AND WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF LIFE OF THE SAID INHABITANTS;3.2 TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN AND OTHER PERSONS (INCLUDING THEIR ACADEMIC, SOCIAL AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION) THROUGH SUCH MEANS AS THE TRUSTEES THINK FIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF CHARITY;AND3.3 FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF SUCH CHARITABLE BODIES OR FOR SUCH OTHER EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN EACH CASE AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE.

Activities: Provision and upkeep of Whalton Village Hall to maintain it as the centre of the village community with access for all types of use and events and by all local groups.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** THE PARISH OF WHALTON AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS
- Northumberland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£42,059	£36,701	-	-
2024-04-30	£42,059	£36,701	-	-
2023-04-30	£34,343	£30,690	-	-
2022-04-30	£32,233	£23,369	-	-
2021-04-30	£23,987	£25,070	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
STEPHEN JAMES TROBE	Chair	2014-04-01
ANNA SILL		2014-04-01
Beverley Wales		2014-04-01
Dawn Briggs		2024-07-09
Emma Reed		2024-07-09
JOHN RICHARD GRIX		2014-04-01
James Alexander Metcalf		2022-10-11
Jamie Thompson		2017-05-12
Karen Lesley Fenwick		2016-04-05
Nicola Robson		2017-11-12
RICHARD C B POTTER		2014-04-01
TIMOTHY RICHARD PETRE STEPHENS NORTON		2014-05-29

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Whalton Village Hall 2025 Annual Meeting

10th June 2025

Present:

Stephen Trobe (Chair), Richard Grix (Vice-Chair), Nicola Robson (Treasurer), Jamie Thompson (Secretary), Karen Fenwick, Anna Sill, Bev Wales,

Apologies:

James Metcalf, Richard Potter, Linda Willis, Emma Reed

Previous Minutes:

Last year's minutes were read, agreed as a good record and signed.

Chairman's Annual Report:

Welcome everyone to 2025 village hall annual meeting.

I would like to thank all the committee for their work over the year and special thanks to Richard for being vice chair, Jamie for being secretary and Nicola for being treasurer. Thanks again to Linda who is now supported by Cath in maintaining and managing the hall bookings.

As usual I would like to thank parish council for their grant which subsidises the rent of our local village groups.

In September the show took place and was a success with record profits.

November. Saw another safe and successful bonfire night

December. 100 club started a new year with a slight fall in numbers.

A Safeguarding group was established useful training was attended and raised awareness in the committee and amongst hall users of the issues involved.

January. Burns night took place. Slightly fewer attended but good profits were made and it was a successful and popular event.

February. A maintenance schedule was decided (dealing with damp wall, floor polishing, decorating and carpets) but put on hold pending a funding decision in relation to the hall extension project.

April. We lost our cottage tenant but a new one found and cottage decorating was undertaken.

The hall remains very well used by a variety of different users. I thank them all for their continued support.

Going forward the hall heating system still needs to be upgraded, and hopefully we can tie this in with the extension plan which progresses in small steps.

Again, at the end of another year the hall stands in a good financial position and in good repair and I hope the coming year is as prosperous as the last.

Regards Stephen Trobe

Chairman 10.6.2025

Treasurer's Report:

Financial Year: May 2024 - April 2025

Income:

Income for the year was almost £38,000.00, a drop of £4000 on the previous year, mainly due to the fewer weddings held at the hall, as well as a drop in fundraising revenue. The 100 Club also suffered a slight loss of revenue as well.

The rental of the cottage continues to bring in a substantial amount, however, it needs some cosmetic upgrading, which is currently being undertaken.

Fundraising revenue is another area that has dropped over the last year, both Bonfire night and Burns night were not as well attended as they have been in the past, although Burns night still does raise almost £1000 in profit.

We are grateful to both the Village Show committee and to the Parish Council for their generous donations to help maintain the Hall as a community hub for both the villages of Whalton & Ogle.

Expenditure:

As always, main expenditure consists of the utilities – electricity, water, insurance. These are unavoidable, and have to be carefully managed. Hall staffing is also a main cost, we now have 2 ladies co-ordinating the administration/events/bookings/invoicing/liasing with the Hall users, whether they be regular groups or one-off bookings.

General repairs and maintenance of the Hall is also a main expense, but needs to be ongoing, in order to attract new users, and to maintain a good standard for all our regular groups. With this in mind, the Hall has/is being upgraded with improved flooring, new carpets, plaster and paintwork.

Summary:

As always, the running of the Hall would not happen without willing volunteers to give up their time and make the effort for the local community to keep the Hall as a valuable resource.

Hopefully the Hall will continue to be used by our community, in increased numbers, and for outside events in order to help the financial standing of the Hall.

Finally, thanks must go to all committee officers and members for their efforts over the past year.

The Treasurer submitted a financial account for the year (attached)

Election of Officers:

The following were proposed and seconded and elected without opposition.

Chair: Stephen Trobe (Proposed by Richard Grix and Seconded Bev Wales)

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Secretary: Jamie Thompson (Proposed by Bev Wales and Seconded Anna Sill)

(Anna Sill agreed to continue to act as reserve secretary).

Treasurer: Nicola Robson (Proposed by Stephen Trobe and Seconded by Richard Grix)

(Auditor – Stewart Moody)

Questions from the public.

There were no questions from the public.

JT

June 2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Whalton Village Hall Trust

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30th April 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1157248

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**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**

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Signed:

Date: 11/02/2026

Name:

Stuart J Moody

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

ICAEW Member No 8762533
Firm 23 MR Limited

Address:

23 Morwick Road, Warkworth, Morpeth, Northumberland NE65 0TG

Section B**Disclosure**

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<u>Income</u>	2025	2024
	£	£
Hall Rent - regular groups	5,380.00	5,050.00
Hall Rent - Parties, etc	9,554.83	8,780.00
Weddings	3,590.00	5,608.00
Fund Raising	2,486.75	3,655.03
100 Club	3,190.00	3,435.00
Grants & Donations	6,581.20	7,868.00
Equipment hire	10.00	-
Cottage	7,200.00	6,600.00
Interest received on deposits	440.39	1,063.17
<u>Total</u>	38,433.17	42,059.20
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Electricity	7,118.74	7,860.61
Repairs & Cleaning	6,644.53	3,238.40
Telephone	864.94	686.98
Water Rates	1,130.01	473.35
Hall Manager	12,692.62	12,034.92
Insurance	2,392.40	2,213.65
Petty Cash	75.59	-
Sundry Expenses	620.00	2,004.82
Planning and Architectural costs	-	2,326.00
Fund Raising Expenses	1,213.01	2,290.46
100 club	2,070.00	2,200.00
Refunds	150.00	-
Donations	200.00	-
Cottage	105.98	1,066.50
Website	325.18	304.94
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Whalton Village Hall 2023 Annual Meeting

9th July 2024

Present:

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Apologies:

James Metcalf, Richard Potter

Previous Minutes:

Last year's minutes were read, agreed as a good record and signed.

Chairman's Annual Report:

Welcome everyone to 2024 village hall annual meeting- a month later than last year.

I would like to thank all the committee for their work over the year and special thanks to Richard for being vice chair, Jamie for being secretary and Nicola for being treasurer. Again, thanks to Linda and Andrew for keeping the hall and garden clean and tidy and for organising all the user groups and bookings.

As usual I would like to thank parish council for their grant which subsidises the rent of our local village groups.

In September the show took place. Challenging weather made preparations particularly hard which also hit the profit margin but thankfully a profit was made.

November. Saw another safe and successful bonfire night

December. 100 club started a new year. With quite a few people dropping out the committee did well to maintain numbers.

Our cottage tenant decided to move out and thanks to Bev and James a new tenant was quickly found via Rook Matthews in January.

January. Burns night took place. It was noted that a few changes might be made and some of serving equipment needs upgrading. As ever a good profitable night was had. Thanks to all concerned in organising this hugely popular event.

February. Jamie and Linda offered to being our Safe Guarding Officers. Thanks to Jamie for relentless work in bringing us all up to date and making the Safe Guarding legislation fit into our user group contracts.

Thanks to James and Steven Kirk (our Architect) the county council finally granted planning permission to our extension plans. Now we need to find funding for the proposed work..

April. Thanks to Bev and Anna in applying for 75% grant to source and erect a new bin store, a great improvement to the appearance of the front of the hall

May. Linda announced that she would like to cut her hours and give up the caretaking side of the job but carry on with Admin. This was accepted by the committee and a cleaner/caretaker was to be found with a couple of likely candidates already in the village.

Over the last year the hall saw 5 wedding receptions take place with furniture hire providing good income.

The hall remains well used in a variety of different events from the deer society to dog training, keep fit and yoga as well as all other regular groups and users. I thank them all for their continued support.

Going forward the hall heating system still needs to be upgraded, and hopefully we can tie this in with the extension plan to avoid too much disruption.

Again, at the end of another year the hall stands in a good financial position and in good repair and I hope the coming year is as prosperous as the last.

Regards Stephen Trobe

Chairman 13.6.2024

Treasurer's Report:

Financial Year: May 2023 - April 2024

Income:

Whalton Village Hall Trust has had a successful year, enjoying an increased revenue from both regular groups, hall hire and weddings. Fundraising was down on the previous year, perhaps partly due to Bonfire Night being increasingly handed over to PAWS. Perhaps we could look at future fundraising events, which would help with expenditure for certain items.

The Hall cottage is currently let, and brings in a valuable income, which enables expenditure on its upkeep and that of the Hall.

Another very good source of income is the 100+ Club, administered by our Chairman, Stephen, who tirelessly ensures monies are collected in time.

Expenditure:

As in every previous year, the heavy expenditure centres on utility bills: electric, telephone/wifi/water/website. These are however, a necessary part to ensure our Hall is presented in a modern light, hopefully attracting new and current users. Insurance is another large expense, but one that is essential in these days. Repairs/cleaning/general maintenance is another large expense area, but given the age of the original building, necessary works are needed to maintain the standard that needs to be kept.

However, without willing volunteers, the general costs of running the Hall may prove to be unsustainable, and for this, I give thanks to all of the committee members for their commitment and help.

Summary:

Hopefully the Hall will continue to be used increasingly by our local community, as well as those looking to hire it for their events. I think we should look forward to an increasingly successful coming year, with the Hall remaining as the main focal point for the inhabitants of Whalton & Ogle.

The Treasurer submitted a financial account for the year (attached)

Election of Officers:

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Trustees. The following were proposed and elected without opposition to become Trustees

Emma Reed

Dawn Briggs

Questions from the public.

There were no questions from the public but an attendee congratulated the committee on its work and in particular the careful financial management of the hall.

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July 2024

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Petty Cash	-	259.48
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Fund Raising Expenses	2,290.46	2,572.76
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Donations	-	1,000.00
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Website	304.94	216.66
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Welcome everyone to 2023 village hall annual meeting, a month earlier than last year.

I'd like to thank all the committee for their work over the year and special thanks to Richard for being vice chair, Jamie for being secretary and Nicola for being treasurer. Again, thanks to Linda and Andrew for keeping the hall and garden clean and tidy and also for organising all the user groups and bookings.

We normally get a grant from parish council which subsidises the rent of our local village groups. We will get this in due course, but the parish council has had problems accessing its bank account. It will be greatly appreciated when it arrives.

In September the village show was cancelled out of respect for the death of the Queen. It wasn't an easy decision for the show committee but to protect show finances and obviously to show respect we cancelled nine days before the event thus avoiding cancelation fees if we booked the attractions for the 2023 show.

A quick review of the year:

October. Thanks to Bev and Shelley for liaising with Rook Matthews to find a new cottage tenant.

November. Saw another safe and successful bonfire night

December. 100 club started new year. With quite a few people dropping out of the draw, the committee did well to find new members and achieve a net increase of one member. There are now 340 members.

January. It was good to see the return of Burns night. Thanks to all concerned in organising this hugely popular event.

February. The show committee started organising 2023 show, after a shout out it was good to see some new committee members turn up.

April. Linda and Andrew organised a very successful music night raising money to subsidise our user groups against rising electricity costs.

May. The village hall was used to celebrate the king's coronation - again another successful event.

Over the last year the hall saw four wedding receptions take place with furniture hire providing good income There are six weddings booked for the coming year.

The hall remains well-used in a wide variety of different ways: from the deer society to Guide dog training and from keep fit classes to young farmers events, as well as all other regular groups and users. I thank them all for their continued support.

We continue to take small steps towards building a sidewall extension. A professional plan has been drawn up and planning permission is being applied for. Funding support applications are the next stage if planning permission is granted.

Going forward the whole hall heating system needs to be assessed and probably upgraded, and we hope to tie this in with the extension plan to avoid too much disruption.

At the end of another year the hall stands in a good financial position and in good repair and I hope the coming year is as prosperous as the last.

Regards Stephen Trobe

Chairman 13.6.23

Treasurer's Report:

Income

Whalton Village Hall Trust has had a fairly successful financial year, given the cost of living crisis affecting everyone, and often curtailing leisure activities, when people have had to decide what to spend their income on. Our groups and regular users have returned after the pandemic restrictions of the previous years, and these play a vital part in maintaining a regular income, as well as providing a social centre for all.

Fundraising in this year was more successful than previous, a very well attended Burns Night for the first time in 3 years was a resounding success. Bonfire Night was also very well supported, thanks to PAWS who are gradually increasing their participation in the organising of this event, and their share of the profit, which still keeps our support local.

The Hall cottage has been successfully let after major repairs to the wall, and this has also been a healthy source of income.

Grants received this year have been greatly reduced, owing to the restructuring of the Parish Council, however, the Hall will still be receiving the donations from the council, although in the following year.

The 100 Club is still hugely successful and popular within the village (and afield), and our thanks must go to Stephen Trobe,

who manages it every year, which is not an easy task.

Expenditure

As always, maintenance of the Hall, and the cost of utilities, are the main expense. Costs of all items needed to maintain an attractive and well-used hall have all risen over the last year and continue to do so.

A lot of the expenses are out of our control - electric, water rates, telephone, insurance etc. but where we can, we have spent carefully.

However, without a committee of volunteers, costs of running the Hall would be unsustainable, so thanks is given all round.

Summary

Hopefully, the Hall will continue to be well used by villagers and those from further afield for their events.

We look forward to an even more successful year, with the Hall remaining as a focal point for the village of Whalton.

Election of Officers:

The following were proposed and seconded and elected without opposition.

Chair: Stephen Trobe (Proposed by Richard Grix and Seconded Bev Wales)

Vice Chair: Richard Grix (Proposed by Bev Wales and Seconded James Metcalf)

Secretary: Jamie Thompson (Proposed by James Metcalf and Seconded Richard Grix)

(Anna Sill agreed to continue to act as reserve secretary).

Treasurer: Nicola Robson (Proposed by Richard Grix and Seconded by Bev Wales)

Nicola again agreed to continue on a temporary basis until a new Treasurer is found.

JT

June 2023

Treasurer's Report for the Year ending 30th April 2023

Whalton Village Hall Trust

Income

Hall Rent - regular groups	4,664.00
Hall Rent - Parties, etc	6,940.00
Weddings	5,260.00
Fund Raising	5,338.53
100 Club	3,380.00
Grants & Donations	1,070.00
Furniture hire	1,740.77
Cottage	5,950.00

Total £34,343.30

Expenditure

Electricity	3,479.11
Repairs & Cleaning	2,466.44
Telephone	517.12
Water Rates	435.34
Hall Manager	10,604.92
Insurance	1,859.25
Petty Cash	259.48
Sundry Expenses	209.98
Fund Raising Expenses	2,572.76
100 club	2,200.00
Donations	1,000.00
Cottage	4,869.65

Website 216.66

Total £30,690.71

Income 34,343.30

Expenditure £30,690.71

Surplus £3,652.59

Statement of Assets and Liabilities Brought forward at 1st May 2022

Whalton Village Hall Bank account	£22,738.77
WVH 100 Club Bank account	£5,372.00
Virgin Money Deposit account	£46,512.96

£74,623.73

Brought forward at 1st May 2022

Whalton Village Hall Bank account	£25,211.36
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Virgin Money Deposit account	£46,512.96
	<u>£78,276.32</u>
Net asset movement	£3,652.59



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Whalton Village Hall Trust

On accounts for the year
ended

30th April 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1157248

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/04/2023.

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 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date: 05/02/2024

Name:

Stuart J Moody

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ICAEW Member No 8762533
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Section B

Disclosure

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.

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Treasurer's Report for the Year ending 30th April 2023

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Website	216.66

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Brought forward at 1st May 2022

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WHALTON VILLAGE HALL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1157248

Accounts

Whalton Village Hall 2022 Annual Meeting
12th June 2022

Present:

Stephen Trobe (Chair), Richard Grix (Vice-Chair), Nicola Robson (Treasurer), Jamie Thompson (Secretary), Karen Fenwick, Anna Sill, Bev Wales, Shelley Clough, Linda Willis, James Metcalf, Ed Bishop, Helen Talbot

Apologies:

Richard Potter, Ross Hobson, Geoff Bird

Previous Minutes:

Last year's minutes were read, agreed as a good record and signed.

Chairman's Annual Report

'Welcome everyone to the 2022 annual village hall meeting,

What a difference 10 months makes, going from covid restricting our user groups to fund raising being more or less back to normal.

I would like to thank all the committee for their work over the year. Thanks to my vice chair Richard, secretary Jamie and Nicola as Treasurer. I would also like to thank Linda (and Andrew) for her relentless work keeping this hall spotless and all the admin work that goes unseen. As a small token of our appreciation we have bought you some flowers. I would also like to thank the Parish Council for their grant which subsidises the rents for our village groups and all the user groups new and old that use the hall.

Fund Raising.

Our fund raising restarted with the return of our Bonfire night on Nov 5th. Profits from this were split with PAWS.

In December the 100 club kicked off again with 6 extra members bringing it to a total of 339 members.

It had been decided earlier in the year to have a Burns Supper earlier but in December with high covid cases and track and trace restrictions the decision to cancel was taken.

February. The decision to go ahead with the village show was taken, and the show steering committee met in March, and planning is well underway and on track.

User Groups. The Hall continues to be very popular for with user groups old and new.

Regulars include Art Groups, Keep fit and Yoga, Carpet Bowls, Gardening Club, Whist, and Mother and Toddlers.

The hall is also being booked by local Young Farmers Clubs for meeting and Pantos, for Tin Shed Exhibitions, Art Exhibitions, Prayer Nights, wood carving classes and Guide Dog training sessions.

Also The hall continues to be sought after for Birthday Parties and private meetings.

The Whalton WI retired and new group has been formed.

The village Bale fire event took place.

Weddings. Weddings are still a big part of our income. Since the last annual meeting in September there have been seven weddings (along with furniture hire) and 9 are booked to date for the coming year.

Cottage. In October a tenant was found via Rook Matthews but sadly in June, Christine gave notice to leave due to ill health and location being a problem. It was agreed to find new tenant through the same channels.

The repairs to the gable end have finally been completed and thanks to James Metcalf for the recommendation of a reliable builder. The delays have been down to lack of builder interest

and availability of scaffolding which has also affected the plans for side wall extension, but this is still very much needed and work continues to get quotes.

Going forward the outside paint work front and back needs attention as soon as possible. It was decided to leave sanding the hall floor till after the show or to wait and see what progress had been made on sidewall development.

All in all the hall stands in a good financial position and in good repair which is great achievement again and I hope coming year is as prosperous as the last'.

Treasurer's Report:

The hall has received £5000 in grants and donations which allowed us to survive financially during COVID and helped us to keep hire rates low. Regular groups have returned and weddings and parties now continue. The 100 Club is a regular and important source of income thanks to the efforts of the Chair. Income from the cottage rent has helped meet repair and maintenance costs. Fuel and insurance have gone up and the hall costs around £2000 per month to run so there is a need to keep income up to pace with this inflation.

The hall remains in a secure financial position with good income expected and a healthy bank balance.

(An annual account is attached in a separate document).

Election of Officers:

The following were proposed and seconded and elected without opposition.

Chair: Stephen Trobe (Nominated by Richard Grix and Seconded Shelley Clough)

Vice Chair: Richard Grix (Nominated by Stephen Trobe and Seconded Jamie Thompson)

Secretary: Jamie Thompson (Nominated by Richard Grix and Seconded Anna Sill)

Anna agreed to continue to act as reserve secretary.

Treasurer: Nicola Robson (nominated by Richard Grix and Seconded by Stephen Trobe)

Nicola agreed to continue on a temporary basis until a new Treasurer is found.

Trustees:

James Metcalf was proposed (Stephen Trobe) seconded (Shelley Clough) and duly elected as a Trustee.

Co-optees:

Chris Allison and Julie McGorrie have resigned from the committee.

JT

July 2022

Treasurer's Report for the Year ending

Whalton Village Hall Trust

Income

Hall Rent - regular groups
Hall Rent - Parties, etc
Weddings
Fund Raising
100 Club
Grants & Donations
Furniture hire
Cottage

Total

Expenditure

Electricity
Repairs & Cleaning
Telephone
Water Rates
Hall Manager
Insurance
Petty Cash
Sundry Expenses
Fund Raising Expenses
100 club
Refunds
Cottage
Website

Total

Income

Expenditure

Surplus

g 30th April 2022

5,281.50
5,527.50
5,495.00
1,806.36
3,360.00
5,167.00
808.00
4,787.53

£32,232.89

2,773.18
1,839.71
189.42
320.32
8,716.66
1,968.42
231.95
222.00
1,235.51
2,370.00
0.00
3,339.52
162.34

£23,369.03

32,232.89
23,369.03

£8,863.86



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

WHALTON VILLAGE HALL TRUST

On accounts for the year ended

30 APRIL 2022

Charity no (if any)

1157248

Set out on pages

1 AND 2

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:

[Signature]

Date:

26/01/2023

Name:

DAVID CAWSTON

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

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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.

I have examined the income and expenditure record for Whalton Village Hall Trust for the year to 30/04/2022 and I consider them to be an accurate record for the period. I have also examined the relevant balances at 30/04/2022 and I consider them to be an accurate record for the period. I have restricted my examination solely to the finances of the trust.



DAVID CAWSTON

WHALTON VILLAGE HALL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1157248

Accounts

Whalton Village Hall Committee

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 14th September 2021 at 7.00pm

Present: Stephen Trobe (Chair), Richard Grix (Vice Chair), Nicola Robson (Treasurer), Jamie Thompson (Secretary), Linda Willis, Anna Sill, Bev Wales, Shelley Clough, Karen Fenwick, James Metcalf, Ed Bishop, Helen Talbot, Anna Rainbow, Richard Potter

Apologies: Ross Hobson, Geoff Bird

Minutes

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of 11th August 2020 were summarised, agreed and signed as a correct record.

Chair's Annual Report

Welcome everyone to the 2021 Village Hall annual meeting. It has been another year disrupted by Covid but I think we have come through 'not so bad'. I would like to thank all the committee for their work over the year. I would also like to thank Linda (and her partner Andrew) for keeping this hall in this spotless condition. Without Linda's outstanding work our re-opening would almost certainly have been delayed. I am sure that we are all aware that Linda's duties go far beyond cleaning and looking after the hall's appearance. In fact that is now the easy part of the job! As a small token of our appreciation Linda, we have bought you some flowers. Thanks also to my Vice Chair Richard, Secretary Jamie and Nicola our Treasurer But I'm afraid we haven't bought you anything!

Apart from the 100 club all our fund-raising events had to be cancelled due to the second wave of Covid. Linda squeezed in a bingo night for the local residents but there was no Village Show, no bonfire, no Burns night ... there wasn't even a jumble sale or carol service. We did however receive a kind donation from Mrs Barbour of £10k which was the average profit from previous shows. As customary with the Show profits we shared this gift with the school and the church. Dame Barbour's gift was timely, thoughtful, generous and very much appreciated. We also received a Covid compensation payment for loss of income which our treasurer will report on. Finally, I would like to thank both the Parish Council for their grant which subsidises rental costs for our village groups and of course to all the people and groups who use the hall.

In November Linda moved out of the cottage. The committee decided it the cottage should be let out and we engaged an estate agent (Rook Matthew Sayer). The old stone cottage had heating, damp and water issues and achieving an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) was not straightforward with further complications obtaining Economy 7 supply and with electricity suppliers. However, we can now say that the cottage is up to standard and ready to be let. Particular thanks to Shelley and Bev for their hard work with this.

In December the 100 club kicked off again with 11 extra members bringing the total to 333 members.

In February Whalton Hall was entered onto a Village Hall Portal run by CAN with the idea of promoting halls to a wider audience and market.

In April and May we saw some of our user groups return. We have two new yoga classes (making a total of 3) and an additional art group (making total of 2). We also have a keep-fit class. The carpet bowls group have just started again. Whist group and WI are deciding shortly about their future.

Mellissa Stevenson started as the new Toddler group leader bringing a new lease of life to the group and (happily) renewing and reducing the number of toys.

Over the year from July 2020 to September 21 we hosted seven weddings with income £5295. Going forward we have nine more booked for the coming year. There is also quite a bit of interest in hiring the hall for music nights, parties etc.

Our meetings. Because of Covid restrictions we decided to use Zoom to hold virtual committee meetings. When we were allowed to meet again in person we decided that we can manage our agenda with bi-monthly meetings with the option to insert additional meetings as circumstances require. This arrangement has worked well to date.

We held the village Baal fire as normal on 4th July. It was nice, relatively small event but well supported by the village (despite the rain). The Morris Men danced, and Richard organised an excellent fire.

The plans to extend the hall for storage and to repair the cottage gable end are no further forward due to problems finding builders at this time. However, storage at the hall is still a huge problem and both projects will be addressed this year.

The hall stands in a good financial position and in good repair which is a considerable achievement considering the challenges we have all faced this year. We look forward with hope to a more prosperous year ahead.

Stephen Trobe (Chairman)

14.9.2021

Treasurer's Annual Report

See separate document

Appointment of Trustees

None

Election of Officers

Nominations were sought for the five committee posts and the results were as

follows:

Officer	Name	Proposed	Seconded
Chair	Stephen Trobe	Richard Grix	Nicola Robson
Vice Chair	Richard Grix	Anna Sill	Stephen Trobe
Treasurer	Nicola Robson	Richard Grix	Shelley Clough
Secretary	Jamie Thompson	Richard Grix	Shelley Clough

All officers were elected unopposed. The remaining trustees (8) for 2019/2020 are:

Karen Fenwick, Richard Potter, Anna Rainbow, Shelley Clough, Bev Wales, Helen Talbot, Geoff Bird and Timmy Norton (honorary).

Stephen Trobe assumed the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

Co-opted Members

Julie McCorrie, Ed Bishop, Chris Allison, Ross Hobson and James Metcalf remain as co-optees to the committee.

Next Annual Meeting

The AM for 2022 is provisionally scheduled at 7 pm on 12th July.

Treasurer's Report for the Year ending 30th April 2021

Whalton Village Hall Trust

Income

Hall Rent - regular groups	1,303.50
Hall Rent - Parties, etc	185.00
Weddings	1,560.00
Fund Raising	
100 Club	3,330.00
Grants & Donations	17,598.50
Bank Interest	
Other	10.00
Table Hire	

Total **£23,987.00**

Expenditure

Electricity	985.15
Repairs & Cleaning	1,284.09
Telephone	519.99
Water Rates	367.67
Caretaker	6,147.89
Insurance	2,033.58
Petty Cash	285.51
Sundry Expenses	209.88
Wedding refunds - Covid cxl	980.00
100 club	1,985.00
Allocation of donation recd in October 2020	6,666.65
Cottage	3,471.49
Website	133.18

Total **£25,070.08**

Income	23,987.00
Expenditure	25,070.08
Surplus	-£1,083.08

Bank Balances at 30.4.2021

Current Account	£14,914.91
Virgin deposit	£46,512.00
100 Club	£4,867.00
Float monies	£500.00
Petty Cash	£100.00
Less Reserves	£42,000.00

Total Working Capital **£24,893.91**

Whalton Village Hall

Treasurers Report for Year Ending 30th April 2021

Income

Our income has been badly affected by the Covid-19 pandemic, the first national lockdown starting in March 2020 and continuing until 4th July 2020, when we held the annual Ba'al fire. Several weddings were postponed/cancelled

changed dates, unfortunately this was not unique to us.

We managed a small amount of income between July and the next lockdown, which was from November, but guidelines such as the 'Rule of 6' and the 'Tier' system were introduced from September, which reduced any chance of income further. In January, another lockdown commenced, and was not relaxed until well into April, which is the end of our financial year.

Grants have been almost the only income stream for the whole year, we have been fortunate to have received just over £10k from a combination of County Council, Barbour Foundation and Whalton Parish Council all generously contributing.

The 100 Club continues to be a good source of income, and our thanks go to the Chairman, for his time and efforts to ensure the smooth running of it.

Expenditure

As always the running and maintenance of the Hall is our main expense. Even though it has not been open for the majority of the year, utility charges, general repairs, cleaning, including enhanced procedures to ensure we stay 'Covid safe'.

Average monthly costs over the year are £1600, which is a reduction on the previous year, but this year has been like no other, and it is difficult for any real comparison.

Summary

Now that the pandemic lockdowns seem to have eased, and life is getting some semblance of 'normal' again, we have already had some weddings taking place, and various groups have returned to use the Hall. Fundraising should be able to recommence, with our main events being Bonfire Night & Burns Night, neither of which have been held for the last 2 years.

Hopefully this year, 2021 - 2022, will have some healthy income, and not too many expenses!