

SYRESHAM VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL REPORT 2025

Syresham Village Hall, Main Road Syresham, a CIO charity with the registration number 1160674, has now been open for almost 7 years. The hall is owned and run by the CIO. The hall is insured by Zurich, and our cover includes all the appropriate liabilities, including that of our members and trustees.

Our aim is the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the inhabitants of Syresham and the surrounding area, without distinction of gender or political, religious or other opinions. It is used for meetings and classes and other forms of recreation and leisure activities and events, with the aim of improving the lives of the aforementioned inhabitants. As I have said many times before, it is important that we remind ourselves of this at all times, so that we continue to ensure that we fulfil this aim.

The village hall continues to be well used by village organisations and people from the surrounding area. We have had several new regular bookings during the last year including Cha Char Chimps and the Jo Banham Dance Company. I would like to thank Gary Mitchell our Booking Clerk and his assistant Steph Mitchell for the excellent work they are doing promoting and sorting out the bookings for us.

I am pleased to report that our regular income has just covered our regular expenditure, but we continue to do some fundraising to ensure that we are able to meet any unexpected or necessary improvement or running costs. We therefore held our annual Art Exhibition in 2024, which was very successful and will be held again in 2025. This event not only raises money, as you will see from our annual statement of accounts, but also shows off our hall at its very best. I would like to thank Mary and Paul Turnham and Ann and Terry Irwin for the great work they do to run this event. Our Coffee Shop has continued to thrive, thanks to the rota of volunteers who bake cakes and run the event each week. I would like to thank all those volunteers for the excellent service they provide, not only to the village hall, but to the village too.

I would also like to thank the all the Village Hall Trustees for the great work they have done to support and maintain the hall during the last year. You may well have noticed that we have a new and larger storage shed and I would like to thank Mike Maund, with help from Gary Mitchell, for sorting out the purchase and erection of the shed.

Our accounts remain in a very healthy state and have been prepared by our Treasurer, Gill Swinford, and audited by Cathy Corns and I thank them both for this. Gill keeps a very close eye on our finances and she will doubtless have more to say following this report

We continue to promote the hall on our website www.syreshamvillagehall.co.uk and our thanks go to Keith Watts for managing this website.

We, as Trustees of the village hall, are also very aware of the need to reduce our carbon footprint and therefore continue to finance a large blue recycling bin for the use of our hirers. We also have a facility to recycle clothes for the village to use. We continue to keep the installation of electric vehicle charging points and solar panels on our agenda for the future.

Our cleaner, Yvette Gardner, has continued to clean the hall and I thank Yvette for the excellent work she has done during the year.

We now look forward positively to what promises to be another busy and interesting year for the village hall and we sincerely thank everyone for their continued support.

Syresham Village Hall
Registered Charity No 1160674
Income and Expenditure Account 1/4/24-31/3/25

Income

Regular Lets

S Essame	1,580.00	
Bowls	510.00	
Mums and Tots	555.00	
Friendship	45.00	
Gardening Club	105.00	
History	187.00	
S Mitchell	180.00	
Taekwon-Do	1,080.00	
Seidokan	936.00	
Gems	119.00	
Banham	3,022.00	
Cha Char Chimps	500.00	
Jackson	140.00	
		8,959.00

Other Lets

Misc Lets	7,872.00	
TYS	975.94	
		8,847.94

Fundraising

Coffee Shop	6,172.34	
Art Exhibition	2,270.00	
		8,442.34

Miscellaneous

Deposits held	3,670.00	
	Deposits repaid	3,545.00

Donations 40.00

Bank Interest 663.57

Expenditure over Income 471.34

31,094.19

Expenditure

Utilities etc

Electricity	5,988.00	
Insurance	1,037.66	
Water	838.67	
Licences	501.94	
Websites	531.59	
Phone/Broadband	877.89	
		9,775.75

Running Cost

Cleaner	1,937.00	
Cleaning Materials	366.04	
Council Tax	1,123.87	
Fire Safety	367.60	
Bins	728.00	
Maintenance	5,660.16	
Alarm Systems	1,687.20	
Window Cleaning	132.00	
Grass cuts	1160.00	
Sundries	5.95	
		13,167.82

Refurbishing

Shed	2,497.16	
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Fundraising Expenses

Coffee Shop	411.72	
Art Exhibition	1,212.80	
		1,624.52

Miscellaneous

Acre	48.00	
Postage,print	75.98	
Other	20.00	
Laptop	339.96	
		4,028.94

31,094.19

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Balance as at 1/04/24

Current Account	12,547.12
Deposit Account	62,608.20
Cash in Hand	<u>20.37</u>
	75,175.69

Balance as at 31/03/25

Current Account	6,399.15
Deposit Account	68,271.77
Cash in Hand	<u>33.43</u>
	74,704.35

Expenditure over Income	471.34
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Signed

Mrs G Swinford
Treasurer

I have checked the Village Hall accounts for the year ending 31st March 2025 and find them to be a fair and accurate representation of the transactions undertaken.

Signed

Ms C Corns

Auditor's Report to Syresham Village Hall
For the Financial Year 2024 - 25

May 2025

I have independently reviewed the accounts for Syresham Village Hall, Charity No. 1160674, for the year 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025 and I can confirm that I have found no evidence of errors or anomalies. I have signed them.

Catherine Corns (Ms C Corns)

Accounts Examiner