

Stockbridge Town Hall CIO

Trustees Annual Report to Charity Commission

From 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025



1. Introduction

Stockbridge Town Hall CIO was entered on the Register of Charities in 2016. Its registered charity number is 1165066. Stockbridge Town Hall CIO owns the land and building of the Town Hall, which is a Grade 2* listed building. The trustees of the CIO are responsible for the building, its maintenance, restoration and renovation, for determining the conditions governing its use, for the day-to-day management of the Hall and for all associated receipts and expenditure.

2. Governance

The trustees comprise elected trustees, and representative trustees appointed by Stockbridge Parish Council (SPC), St Peter's Parochial Church Council (PCC) and Stockbridge Amateur Dramatic Society (SADS). In addition, a further two co-opted trustees may be appointed. All trustees are required to be re-elected or re-appointed at each Annual General Meeting. The trustees elect a chairman and other officers from their number as required. There were four trustees' meetings this year. The Annual General Meeting was held on 20th October 2025.

The Trustees of the CIO during the year were:-

	Position	Trustees at start of year on 01/04/24	Trustees elected or appointed at AGM on 21/10/24	
Kim Candler	Chairman	✓	✓	Elected
Paul Kidd	V. Chairman	✓	✓	Elected
Neil Romain	Treasurer	✓	✓	Elected
Tony Cullen	Secretary	✓	✓	Elected
Mark Frank		✓	✓	Appointed by SADS
Sally Smith		✓	✓	Elected
Sarah Madden		✓	✓	Elected
David Williams		✓	✓	Appointed by St Peter's PCC
Michael Porter			✓	Appointed by SPC 30/4/24
Annette Parr		✓	✓	Appointed SPC, then co-opted
Mary Richards		✓	✓	Elected
Karin Taylor		✓	✓	Elected

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits.

3. Achievements and Performance

3.1 Town Hall Operations

The day-to-day operations and maintenance of the Hall is managed through the Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Limited, which is wholly owned by Stockbridge Town Hall CIO. Trading this year has been normal.

The operational income received by the Trading Company was £48,904. Maintenance of the building, and operational expenditure amounted to £32,141 giving an operating profit for the year of £16,763. This has been donated to the CIO. Comparison with previous years gives the following figures:

Year	Hours Hired	Income
2021-2022	4,451	£40,784
2022-2023	4,395	£40,125
2023-2024	4,350	£43,200
2024-2025	5,521	£48,904

3.2 Public Benefit

The Town Hall provides a central venue for Stockbridge. Its use continues to increase in both amount and variety of users. Local organisations, Cultural events, Performing arts and Health & Fitness activities comprise about a third of the total usage. The Hall remains a popular venue for Art & Craft exhibitions, which accounts for about a fifth of bookings, with the remaining bookings being commercial. An analysis of the hours of use against various types of users is tabulated below.

	Hours 2021/22	Hours 2022/23	Hours 2023/24	Hours 2024/25
Local Organisations & Events	383	683	554	808
Private bookings	193	41	52	52
Cultural Events, Performing Arts	327	404	486	772
Health & Fitness Activities	325	337	285	369
Arts & Crafts Exhibitions	945	962	929	848
Commercial bookings	2,277	1,970	2,046	2,644
Totals	4,451	4,395	4,350	5,521

3.3 Building Works and Maintenance

No major works were carried out this year. Annual maintenance and operational expenditure amounted to about 65% of income. This is higher than in previous years, mainly due to increases in equipment maintenance charges, some one-off equipment purchases as well as a 20% uplift in electricity charges.

4. Financial Review

The financial state of the Town Hall remains sound. Total income of the CIO amounted to £16,763. Expenditure was £12,422. This included depreciation on fixtures and fittings of £7,032; there were no capital works; donations totalling £4,022 were given to Stockbridge Christmas Lights, the Community Market, Trout 'n About, the Recreation Ground and Football Club and other local causes. The net result was an annual overall profit of £4,341. The tangible fixed assets comprising the land, building, fixtures and fittings of the Town Hall amounted to £2,019,463. Net current assets were £44,559, resulting in the total value of Stockbridge Town Hall CIO at the year-end being £2,064,022

A copy of the Annual Accounts and Examiner's Report are appended to this report.



Kim Candler
Chairman Stockbridge Town Hall CIO Trustees

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE005987 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1165066

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025
FOR
STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL CHARITABLE
INCORPORATED ORGANISATION**

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**STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL CHARITABLE
INCORPORATED ORGANISATION**

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for the year ended 31 March 2025**

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**STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL CHARITABLE
INCORPORATED ORGANISATION**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with financial statements of the charity for the period 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2015).

A general vesting declaration was made in January 2016 by the trustees of Stockbridge Town Hall (charity number 228947) which passed a resolution effecting a merger with Stockbridge Town Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

The resolution included, in accordance with s.310(2) of the Charities Act 2011, the transfer of all of the goodwill, contracts and assets of Stockbridge Town Hall to Stockbridge Town Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Ltd (company number 110114266 E&W) was incorporated to undertake the trading activities previously undertaken by Stockbridge Town Hall Charity. All profits earned by the trading company are covenanted to the charity.

Stockbridge Town Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation is the sole shareholder in Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Ltd.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objectives and aims of Stockbridge Town Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation are to establish and run a village hall and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Stockbridge ("area of benefit") without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race, or political, religious or other opinions, the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants.

The charity seeks to achieve its objectives and aims by generating rental income from letting the rooms and facilities of Stockbridge Town Hall on a commercial basis.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with the duty in section 17(5) of the 2011 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit. The charity's objectives are for the public benefit as the trustees are making Stockbridge Town Hall available to the inhabitants of Stockbridge for recreational or other leisure time activities.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The charity's aims and objectives have been met through the rental surpluses earned by making the rooms and facilities of Stockbridge Town Hall available for hire.

At the balance sheet date the charity is showing a healthy surplus on its unrestricted fund and has a cash surplus.

Principal funding sources

The main source of funds are profits covenanted from Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Ltd. These profits represent surpluses achieved on rentals of rooms and facilities at Stockbridge Town Hall.

Reserves policy

Reserves are retained in the charity, at the trustees discretion, so as to be available to meet expected investment requirements relating to the up keep of Stockbridge Town Hall.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its constitution which has been approved by the Charity Commission.

Charity constitution

The trustees of the charity are made up of six elected trustees and three representatives trustees, one each being appointed by Stockbridge Parish Council, the Parochial Church Council, Stockbridge Amateur Society and Stockbridge Country Market. In addition a further two co-opted trustees may be appointed.

The trustees of the charity do not receive any remuneration for undertaking their roles.

**STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL CHARITABLE
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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

All trustees are required to be re-elected or re-appointed at each annual general meeting.

Decision making

The trustees form the decision making body ultimately responsible for all aspects of the operation and maintenance of Stockbridge Town Hall and its facilities.

Related parties

Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Ltd (company number 10114266) was incorporated on the 9th April 2016 to deal with the trading activities associated with Stockbridge Town Hall. All profits made from such activities are covenanted to Stockbridge Town Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

CE005987 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1165066

Registered office

Stockbridge Town Hall
High Street
Stockbridge
Hampshire
SO20 6HE

Trustees

C J Candler
M Frank
P A Kidd
S Madden
N Romain
A N Cullen
S N Smith
A Parr (appointed 1.8.24)
M Porter (appointed 30.4.25)

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 21 July 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL CHARITABLE
INCORPORATED ORGANISATION**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Stockbridge Town Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

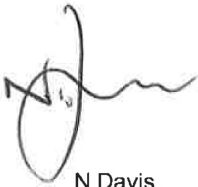
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



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Date: 30.09.25

**STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL CHARITABLE
INCORPORATED ORGANISATION**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		16,763	-	16,763	19,099
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable Activities		5,390	-	5,390	14,826
Other		7,032	-	7,032	5,852
Total		12,422	-	12,422	20,678
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		4,341	-	4,341	(1,579)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		59,681	2,000,000	2,059,681	2,061,260
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		64,022	2,000,000	2,064,022	2,059,681

**STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL CHARITABLE
INCORPORATED ORGANISATION**

**BALANCE SHEET
31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	19,462	2,000,000	2,019,462	2,026,493
Social investments	7	1	-	1	1
		<u>19,463</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,019,463</u>	<u>2,026,494</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	16,763	-	16,763	19,099
Cash at bank		<u>29,164</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,164</u>	<u>15,161</u>
		<u>45,927</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>45,927</u>	<u>34,260</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,368)	-	(1,368)	(1,073)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>44,559</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,559</u>	<u>33,187</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>64,022</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,064,022</u>	<u>2,059,681</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>64,022</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,064,022</u>	<u>2,059,681</u>
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds:					
Trading Surplus				64,022	59,681
Restricted funds:					
Property Reserve				<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>2,064,022</u>	<u>2,059,681</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 21 July 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



Trustee

**STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL CHARITABLE
INCORPORATED ORGANISATION**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Stockbridge Town Hall is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Report of the Trustees page.

The presentation currency of the Financial Statements is the Pound sterling (£).

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings - 20% on cost and 10% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	7,031	5,853
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	19,099	-	19,099
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activities	14,826	-	14,826
Other	5,852	-	5,852
Total	20,678	-	20,678
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(1,579)	-	(1,579)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	61,260	2,000,000	2,061,260
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	59,681	2,000,000	2,059,681

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Buildings £	Land £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	1,700,000	300,000	117,049	2,117,049
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2024	-	-	90,556	90,556
Charge for year	-	-	7,031	7,031
At 31 March 2025	-	-	97,587	97,587
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2025	1,700,000	300,000	19,462	2,019,462
At 31 March 2024	1,700,000	300,000	26,493	2,026,493

Included in cost or valuation of land and buildings is freehold land of £2,000,000 (2024 - £2,000,000) which is not depreciated.

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for the year ended 31 March 2025**

7. SOCIAL INVESTMENTS

	Other investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	1
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2025	1
At 31 March 2024	1

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Other debtors	16,763	19,099

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Trade creditors	228	-
Accrued expenses	1,140	1,073
	1,368	1,073

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
Trading Surplus	59,681	4,341	64,022
Restricted funds			
Property Reserve	2,000,000	-	2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS	2,059,681	4,341	2,064,022

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Trading Surplus	16,763	(12,422)	4,341
TOTAL FUNDS	16,763	(12,422)	4,341

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
Trading Surplus	61,260	(1,579)	59,681
Restricted funds			
Property Reserve	2,000,000	-	2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,061,260</u>	<u>(1,579)</u>	<u>2,059,681</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Trading Surplus	19,099	(20,678)	(1,579)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>19,099</u>	<u>(20,678)</u>	<u>(1,579)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
Trading Surplus	61,260	2,762	64,022
Restricted funds			
Property Reserve	2,000,000	-	2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,061,260</u>	<u>2,762</u>	<u>2,064,022</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Trading Surplus	35,862	(33,100)	2,762
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>35,862</u>	<u>(33,100)</u>	<u>2,762</u>

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11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the accounting period the following transactions took place with transactions with Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Limited

	31.03.25 £	31.03.24 £
Balance due from Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Limited at the beginning of the year	19,090	14,090
Profits covenanted from Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Limited	16,763	19,090
Bank payments from Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Limited	(19,090)	(14,090)
Amounts due from Stockbridge Town Hall Trading Company Limited at the balance sheet date	16,763	19,090

**STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL CHARITABLE
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31 March 2025

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Stockbridge Town Hall Ltd	16,763	19,099
Total incoming resources	16,763	19,099
EXPENDITURE		
Other		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	7,032	5,852
Support costs		
Management		
Repairs and Renewals	-	12,540
Other		
Donations	4,022	1,000
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,368	1,286
Total resources expended	12,422	20,678
Net income/(expenditure)	4,341	(1,579)