Grove Green Community Hall CIO

Penhurst Close, Grove Green, Maidstone, Kent ME14 5TQ

Reg charity No 1166200

Chairman' Report 2024

This has been a difficult year due to the enormous increase in energy costs which, unfortunately, we were obliged to pass on by increasing the hire charges for the hall. We are still monitoring the situation and may have to do adjustments to the hire charges in order that users pay the rate according to how much energy they use.

We are fortunate in that our new treasurer, who I shall introduce later, has managed to move us to a much cheaper supplier which should ease the situation.

Apart from the energy situation the hall is functioning well with just the CCTV system requiring attention. I am hopeful of receiving a grant from Boxley Parish Council that will go a long way towards the cost of the work. Our caretaker, Pat, who is also the booking secretary, continues to do a fantastic job and maintains the hall to a high standard of cleanliness and repair.

As mentioned, we have a new person, Cathy Mildenhall who has kindly volunteered to take on the role of Hon Treasurer after Anne relocated out of the area. Many thanks to Anne for her tremendous work and thank you and welcome Cathy.

I have, after thirty-two years, stepped down as a Boxley Parish Councillor and no long represent them on this organisation. However, we are very lucky in that the Council has appointed Cllr Paul McLean to replace me, and I am certain he will be a great asset. Welcome Paul. I will continue as a Trustee if members are happy for me to.

Many thanks to Heather, our Hon Secretary for carrying out this vital role and to the Trustees and Management Committee members for their time and effort throughout the year.

Vic Davies, Chairman

GROVE GREEN COMMUNITY HALL

Year Ended 30 June 2024

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Community Hall Fund

Year End 30 June 2023	Expenditure	Year End 30 June 2024	Year End 30 June 2023	Income	Year End 30 June 2024	Year End 30 June 2024	Surplus	Year End 30 June 2024
				Regular				
£6,620.42	Wages	£6,708.45	£17,238.25	Hire	£16,675.96			
£19,740.41	Other Costs	£21,066.75	£4,974.00	Casual Hire	£6,901.00			
			£0.00	Grant	£0.00			
			£0.67	Interest	£1.21			
	Total			Total				
£26,360.83	Expenditure	£27,775.20	£22,212.92	Income	£23,578.17	-£4,147.91	Surplus	£0.00

Utility cost are higher driven primarily by increased YoY use (20% more in Gas and 10% more in Electricity)
From July 24 we changed suppliers which should see a saving of around £5000 - Gas down from 21 to 6 per unit, and Electric from 75 to 21 per unit

Income from Regular hire is slightly down, but up 35% for casual hire.

It may be worth looking at a remote thermostat (e,g, Hive) to determine where increased use is happening , but will also enable a further reduction in costs when the hall is empty.

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Year End 30 June 2023	Fixed Assets	Year End 30 June 2024
£13,654.25	Bank Accounts	£9,575.72
	Reserves	-
	Cash In Hand	£0.00
£13,654.25	Current Assets	£9,575.72
	Less	
£130.00	Key	£130.00
£13,524.25	Net Current Assets	£9,445.72
£13,524.25	Total Assets	£9,445.72

Accumulated Surplus

£28,799.57	Balance Brought Forward	£13,524.25
-£15,275.32	Community Running Fund Surplus	-£4,078.53
£13,524.25		£9,445.72

Balance brought forward is transfer from Grove Green Community Association

Chairman	Mr Victor Davies	Trustee
Vice Chairman	Mr Paul Mclean	
Hon Secretary	Mrs Heather Cameron	
Hon Treasurer	Ms Cathy Mildenhall	
	Mr David Finch	Trustee