

## **Findern Village Hall CIO**

Registered Charity 1166293

Trustees Report for the year 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

The Trustees at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 were:

Trustee & Chair	Mrs M Eckersley
Trustee & Treasurer	Mrs S Anderson (appointed 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2024)
Trustee	Mrs R Rose
Trustee	Mrs T Brown
Trustee	Mrs D Arnold
Trustee	Mrs R Noblett
Trustee	Mrs J Orme
Trustee	Mrs S Boldison
Trustee	Mrs L Fearn

Mrs G Johnson resigned during the year as Trustee and Treasurer on 15 March 2024.

### **Governing Document**

The CIO's remit is "the running of the Village Hall for the benefit of residents in the village and surrounding area and to do so at prices which cover running costs and are affordable to all likely users."

### **Financial Policy**

The charity operates three funds which operate on an accruals and prepayments basis.

- Designated Fund held by way of two investments as a reserve of approximately six months running costs
- Restricted Fund for grants income and expenditure
- General Fund for the regular operation of the charity

### **Public Benefit**

The charity continues to provide the Village Hall as a benefit for local organisations and individuals. The trustees keep the hire charges for community groups as low as possible so as not to restrict access.

### **Activities and Achievements – Report of the Chair**

The Village Hall currently has a group of Trustees, Chairperson, and Treasurer, with secretarial roles being shared among the Trustees. With the employment of two paid staff: a caretaker and a cleaner, the Treasurer role has increased due to the need to use the Government payroll system.

Over the past year, the Village Hall website ([findernvillagehall.org](http://findernvillagehall.org)) has evolved to provide a comprehensive range of information about the hall. It serves as a platform for visitors to contact us and keeps the community informed about events and regular group activities. We acknowledge that some attention is needed to refresh the site and ensure all details are up-to-date and accurate.

The Warm Space initiative has continued to be a success, attracting a great turnout each week. This weekly event remains a valuable social gathering for the community, offering refreshments and an opportunity for people to connect. We expect the Warm Space to remain a fixture for the foreseeable future.

Community Health use of the hall has increased greatly and now offers weekly both reflexology and pain relief management. A pre diabetic group also meets on a regular basis, there is self-referral on some groups with a no cost attendance. Criteria for referral is the responsibility of the local GP.

Bookings for the hall have continued to rise – the year to September 2024 saw a 32% rise to £16,924 - and efforts have been made to manage weekend and evening bookings more effectively to accommodate growing demand.

The Glass Fusion Workshop events have been particularly well-received, with strong attendance and repeated sessions. These types of low-cost, community-focused educational events are aligned with our hall's constitution, and we remain committed to offering such opportunities to the community.

In terms of facility improvements, we are pleased to report that the Gents' toilets have recently been refurbished, and we are very happy with the results.

Looking back at the 2024 Village Fete, we are proud to say it was a resounding success. It was well-attended and enjoyed by the residents of Findern and the surrounding villages. The event achieved its primary goal of raising funds for the Village Hall – a net £2,057 - and we appreciate the community's continued support. Planning for the 2025 Fete has not yet commenced, but we look forward to it when the time comes.

We would like to express my gratitude to all Trustees and volunteers who continue to dedicate their time and efforts to the success of the hall. It remains a wonderful resource for the community, and we are committed to ensuring it stays a vibrant hub for all who wish to use it.



Melanie Eckersley – Chair




Susan Anderson - Treasurer

**Findern Village Hall CIO - 1166293**  
**Balance Sheet**

	As at 30/09/24	As at 30/09/23
<b>Investments</b>		
M&G Charifund Accumulated Units	8,516.22	7,558.44
Charities Ethical Investments	10,672.10	9,366.01
<b>Total Investments</b>	19,188.32	16,924.45
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Co-Operative Bank	33,925.26	29,826.19
Cash in Hand	4.08	0.00
Accounts receivable	1,251.93	466.25
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	35,181.27	30,292.44
<b>Liabilities due within One Year</b>		
Accounts payable	247.89	281.00
Payroll Liabilities	35.40	0.00
Room Hire Prepayments	1,274.50	1,328.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	1,557.79	1,609.00
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	52,811.80	45,607.89
<b>Reserves</b>		
Excess / (deficit) for year	4,940.04	(3,741.97)
Starting balance	45,607.89	50,112.69
Other gains / (losses) - value of investments	2,263.87	(762.83)
<b>Total Reserves</b>	52,811.80	45,607.89

Represented by Funds		
Unrestricted Fund	30,351.78	25,996.08
Operating Reserve - Unrestricted	19,188.32	16,924.45
Restricted	3,271.70	2,687.36
<b>Total</b>	52,811.80	45,607.89

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## Receipts & Payments

	y/e 30.09.24	y/e 30.09.23
<b>Warm Welcome</b>		
Grant Income	1,000.00	2,875.00
Donations from Attendees	2,426.72	1,991.55
<b>Total Income for Restricted Fund</b>	<b>3,426.72</b>	<b>4,866.55</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Contribution to Hall Overheads	720.00	585.00
Costs of Meals Provided	2,122.38	1,594.19
<b>Total Expenditure for Restricted Fund</b>	<b>2,842.38</b>	<b>2,179.19</b>
Net income/expenditure	584.34	2,687.36
Fund Brought Forward	2,687.36	0.00
<b>Fund Carried Forward</b>	<b>3,271.70</b>	<b>2,687.36</b>


<b>Operating Reserve - Unrestricted fund</b>		
Fund Brought Forward	16,924.45	17,687.28
Gain/Loss on Value of Investments	2,263.87	(762.83)
<b>Fund Carried Forward</b>	<b>19,188.32</b>	<b>16,924.45</b>

<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
Hire of Village Hall Facilities	16,915.07	12,789.75
Summer Fayre, Fete & Other Fundraising	3,071.25	1,350.28
<b>Total Income for Unrestricted Fund</b>	<b>19,986.32</b>	<b>14,140.03</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Administration & Computer Costs	161.42	1,198.12
Advertising and Promotion - including Fete adverts	703.40	
Consumables	254.19	
Dues and Subscriptions	132.04	
Insurance Expense	1,071.99	1,057.88
Miscellaneous Expense	647.64	1,604.28
Payroll Expenses	6,115.39	5,421.00
Rates	122.47	157.25
Repairs and Maintenance	2,132.73	6,159.10
Telephone and WiFi	618.89	548.80
Utilities: Electricity, Gas & Water	3,670.46	4,422.93
<b>Total Expenditure for Unrestricted Fund</b>	<b>15,630.62</b>	<b>20,569.36</b>
Net Income/Expenditure	4,355.70	(6,429.33)
Fund Brought Forward	25,996.08	32,425.41
<b>Fund Carried Forward</b>	<b>30,351.78</b>	<b>25,996.08</b>

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**Findern Village Hall CIO - 1166293**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the period from 01 October 2023 to 30 September 2024**

	Unrestricted Funds	Operating Reserve	Restricted	Total	Prior year total funds
<b>Income</b>					
Income from charitable activities	17,043.47			17,043.47	14,196.30
Grants			1,000.00	1,000.00	2,875.00
Fund raising	2,942.85		2,426.72	5,369.57	1,050.28
Other income			0.00	0.00	300.00
<b>Total income</b>	<b>19,986.32</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,426.72</b>	<b>23,413.04</b>	<b>18,421.58</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Expenditure on charitable activities	14,749.74		2,842.38	17,592.12	21,324.12
Fund Raising costs	880.88			880.88	269.87
Other expenditure				-	569.56
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>15,630.62</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,842.38</b>	<b>18,473.00</b>	<b>22,163.55</b>
Net income / (expenditure)	4,355.70		584.34	4,940.04	(3,741.97)
Gains / (Losses) on investments		2,263.87		2,263.87	(762.83)
Balance brought forward	25,996.08	16,924.45	2,687.36	45,607.89	50,112.69
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>30,351.78</b>	<b>19,188.32</b>	<b>3,271.70</b>	<b>52,811.80</b>	<b>45,607.89</b>

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**Independent Examiner's Statement**

**Report to the Trustees of Findern Village Hall on the accounts for the 12 Months to 30 September 2024.**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Findern Village Hall for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 set out in the attached documents. As the trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I have completed my examination. I confirm I have found 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.

It should be noted that I have not obtained independent verification of investments or balances held at the bank which are individually in excess of £10,000 at the balance sheet date.



Signed:

Dated: 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Independent Examiner - Roy Milward

Relevant professional qualification – FCCA

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