



St Nicholas at Wade with Sarre Village Hall

Registered Charity Number 1167333

Annual Return 2022-23

Aim and Purposes

St Nicholas at Wade with Sarre Village Hall is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and our purpose is to provide, maintain and manage village hall facilities for the benefit of the residents of the parish of St Nicholas at Wade and Sarre, and surrounding areas.

We aim to maintain the village hall to a high standard whilst keeping the hire charges as low as possible.

Objectives and Activities

Our objectives are to establish and run a village hall and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of St Nicholas at Wade and Sarre ("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.

We provide a village hall and recreational facilities at competitive hire rates for the residents of the Parish of St Nicholas at Wade and Sarre, and the surrounding area. We provide amenities for the community, recreational, social, cultural, and other events by third parties which include the following: pre-school child care, coffee mornings, exercise classes, dance groups, art groups, and training events. The hall is also used as an electoral polling station and for community emergency planning.



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Achievements and Performance

Chair's Report

A.G.M 2023

ST NICHOLAS AT WADE WITH SARRE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 101224

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I DO SO LITTLE

And

YOU DO SO MUCH

EVERYONE OF YOU have done your bit to make this happen.

- * **THANKS ROY** for what you have helped us to achieve over the years.
AND for looking after the **POUNDS SHILLINGS & PENCE**
- * **THANK's** to all who helped with getting the re-decorating completed.
- * **THANK's** to Sue for the bookings, and oiling all the cogs, making for a happy band of hirer's.
- * **THANK's** to Budgie for cleaning, and keeping everything looking good.
- * **BIG THANK's** to **JOHN** for doing all the phone calls and paperwork.
- * **WELL DONE EVERYONE** who got the hall repairs sorted throughout the year especially the clubroom roof
and the Clubroom back wall.
AND the hall Floor by Budgie
- * **THANKS MUST GO TO THE Sharon & Chris** for saving us from AI by sifting through our website details.
- * **THANK YOU PETER** for clearing the leaf fall, and Dougie the safety net.
- * **I do so little** but the rest of you get the job done so all I can say is
THANK YOU ALL.

Chris Cole, chairman;

19th October, 2023



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Secretary's Report

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The end to Covid restrictions has seen hire income return to normal levels.

Most of our usual hirers returned to the hall but unfortunately there were some exceptions. This loss of income from these was made up by additional usage by others.

Hire income now averages approximately £1,200 per month.

The main sources of income are dance, childcare and exercise.

I would like to thank all our hirers for their continued support and use of the hall.

Post Covid the halls bank account was in a healthy position due to the various government grants issued to the hospitality industry. Total Covid grants received were £20,667.

Relief on this year's business rates has continued to be given by Thanet council.

We have been spending these grant monies on long overdue repairs and refurbishment of the hall. Last year we removed the right-hand chimney that had become loose during a storm. At the same time, we have replaced the damaged front barge board and also carried out pointing repairs and other cosmetic works to the front of the building.

The main hall walls, front porch and vestibules were redecorated during August.

This year we have carried out repairs to the rear wall brickwork and pointing.

At Easter the main hall floor was again refinished and since we have had no more complaints, only positive feedback.

The leaking clubroom - kitchen flat roof has been replaced together with repairs to the join to the toilet block.

I would like to thank Annette for arranging all these works.

Next year we hope to continue with these repairs and decorating. Among the areas being considered are completing the pointing repairs to the walls, decorating the clubroom and replacement of the kitchen floor.

In December we held our Christmas fair for the first time in three years and this generated an income of £897, our highest ever!

This Hooden event was again successfully held.

We are intending to hold both these events again this year.



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Like everyone, we have seen a very significant increase in our energy costs over the last year. Whilst there has been some government help over the winter, this has been small in comparison to the price increases.

We were therefore from 1st April forced to increase our hire charges from £8 to £10 per hour.

I would like to thank my fellow committee members for all their contributions during the past year. In particular my thanks to Roy who will be retiring from the roll of treasurer. He will be remaining on the committee and you will be pleased to hear he will not be giving up bowling for benny.

John Brockman, Secretary

Financial Review

We charge for hire of space and facilities at affordable levels which are comparable with those of other community halls in the East Kent area. The charges are necessary for the financial viability of the CIO, and for the maintenance of the building and facilities.

Our opening bank balance for the financial year 1st August 2022 to 31st July 2023 was £30,406 and total income was £14,025. This comprised £12,974 from the hire of the hall, £153 from donations and £898 from the Christmas fair.

Our expenditure for the financial year 1st August 2022 to 31st July 2023 was £23,894.

The three largest expenses were £12,193 for building repairs, £4,617 for gas & electricity and £2,800 for caretaker. Our closing bank balance for the financial year 1st August 2022 to 31st July 2023 was £20,537.

We had a planned net deficit of income over expenditure of £9,869.



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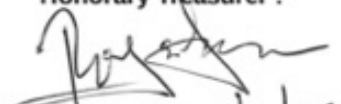
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St Nicholas at Wade with Sarre Village Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation Financial statement for 12 months to 31.7.2023


	2023	2022
Receipts		
Hall Lets	12974	11283
Surplus Xmas Fair	898	0
Donation/Refunds	153	0
Payment TDC re Covid	0	2667
	14025	13950
Opening Cash Assets		
Lloyds Bank	30406	30917
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	44431	44867
Expenditure		
Caretakers Wages	2800	2640
Cleaning Supplies	0	180
New Equipment	240	0
Building repairs,maintenance	12193	4627
Maint Contracts	2253	676
Gas	896	2041
Electricity	3721	1878
Rates	81	154
Water Chgs	355	353
Insurance	406	383
Sundries	860	968
PRS	14	486
Auditors Fee	75	75
Tfr to Lloyds Acc	0	n/a
	23894	14461
Closing Cash Assets		
Lloyds	20537	30406
Santander	0	n/a
	20537	30406
	44431	44867

Date examined and confirmed:

Honorary Treasurer :


15/10/23

Honorary Auditor:


24-10-23



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Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity Trustees (Village Hall Management Committee) meet at least four times a year and our AGM is held in October. The Management Committee is responsible for all aspects of the village hall, including financial decisions.

We were members of Action with Communities in Rural Kent (www.ruralkent.org.uk) until their closure. Our Governing Document (Constitution) was written using the Charity Commission approved model (template) document produced by Action with Communities in Rural England (<http://www.acre.org.uk>).

St Nicholas at Wade with Sarre Parish Council is Custodian Trustee for the CIO.

Administrative Information

St Nicholas at Wade with Sarre Village Hall is situated within the conservation area of the village of St Nicholas at Wade. The postal address is: The Village Hall, The Street, St Nicholas at Wade, Birchington, Kent, CT7 0NP.

The Village Hall was built in 1930 and first became a charity in 1992. On 31st July 2016 the charity converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with the charity number 1167333.

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From October 2022 to October 2023 the Charity Trustees (Village Hall Management Committee) were as follows:

Elected Trustees:

Chris Cole	Chair
Roy Fairbrass	Treasurer
John Brockman	Secretary
Sue Greenstreet	Booking Secretary
Douglas Beake	
Chris Higenbottam	
Sharon Higenbottam	
Val McManus	
Annette Paul	
Peter Radclyffe	(co-opted June 23)
Tina Walker	

Parish Council Representative Trustee:

Peter Radclyffe	(until June 23)
David Divers	(from June 23)