



The Church Street Rooms

Charity Number: 1169922

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

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Honorary Treasurer

Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2022

The Trustees present their report and accounts for The Church Street Rooms, a charitable incorporated organisation, for the period ended 31 December 2022.

The Church Street Rooms was incorporated at the Charities Commission on 27th October 2016 (registration number 1169922) and took over the management of the village hall known as "the church street rooms" from the unincorporated organisation known as the Corby Glen Community Project.

Objectives & Aims

The sole objective of The Church Street Rooms is to provide and maintain a village hall for the use of the local & wider community.

The hall is used for meetings / lectures / classes and other forms of recreational activities by the local & wider inhabitants of Corby Glen and its surrounding villages. Reflecting the hall's association with the Lincoln Diocese, the building also functions as a church hall.

The trustees' have taken due regard of the guidance issued by the Charities Commission on public benefit.

The trustees acknowledge the benefit The Church Street Rooms receives from the generous contributions made by volunteers, both in terms of time and monetary personal expense, and recognise that without this contribution the running of the hall would be disadvantaged.

Achievements

The declining impact of the pandemic meant that 2022 was an easier year than 2021, although several community activities (e.g. line dancing, yoga) have still not returned following their disruption in 2020. However, we are pleased to report that Church Street Rooms has been used regularly for a range of church and wider community activities, such as the Womens' Institute, History Society, Exercise Class, and Messy Church. Other users included the Parochial Church Council and various Church committees, the Parish Council, the Neighbourhood Plan Group, and the Willoughby Close Management Group. Church Street Rooms has also hosted several private functions. Despite our increasing running costs, we decided not to increase our hire rates during 2022.

The Coffee Club has been very successful again this year, thanks to the small group of committed volunteers who provide the cakes and serve the coffees each week. Around 12-16 people, mostly retirees, attend each week, and have an enjoyable opportunity to socialize and to "catch up" with local news. The Coffee Club generates a weekly income of around £30.

In the spring of 2022 several of our volunteers began a new venture serving simple lunches, including home-made soup and rolls. This provided another helpful contribution to our income for a while but unfortunately it proved impossible to maintain sufficient customers to keep it going.

Church Street Rooms was again open during the annual Corby Glen Sheep Fair held at the start of October, and we are grateful to the organisers for the opportunity to contribute to this event. We received generous donations of cakes, as well as various food items from Apetito, and this support is gratefully acknowledged. This year we had the added attraction of a local choir who gave several performances in the hall during the afternoon. Our income from the day was over £600. Our Christmas celebrations for 2022 involved a party with mince pies and mulled wine, provided free of charge as a "thank you" for all who supported Church Street Rooms though the year. Thanks to the generous donation of prizes by those attending, we were able to hold a raffle which raised over £40.

Our charity has continued to maintain the building over the year. In addition to general cleaning, this work has included: the repair of a shattered window in the conservatory door, the resealing the conservatory roof and repainting of the ceiling, disposal of redundant equipment and items to provide more free space, and clearing vegetation to the rear of the building.

Trustees Report for the period ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Achievements (continued)

In conclusion, our charity has had a successful year and it is encouraging that the impetus provided by the new volunteers who joined the team in 2021 has been sustained. A further cause for optimism is the imminent expansion of the village whereby we may expect a gradual increase in the usage of the hall over the coming years.

Financial Review

Owing to recovery from the pandemic, this year saw a substantial increase in total income, compared to 2021 (£3554 versus £1329). Income from coffee shop sales (this includes the transitory income from serving lunches) was up from £340 to £1540. Income from hall hire also substantially increased (from £440 to £1197), the result of more activities returning since the pandemic. We also benefited from several generous donations (amounting to £125) from village residents. The event income was derived from the sheep fair and, despite the inflation pressure on household budgets, increased to £642 compared to £545 in 2021. The interest earned from money in the Lincoln Diocese Account also increased (up from £4 to £87).

Total expenditure during 2022 increased to £3185 from £2599 in the previous year. No expenditure was set against the coffee club as the consumables were provided by volunteers. Every aspect of our recurrent costs (utilities, rates, etc) increased in 2022 compared to 2021, as did our insurance and the PRS/PPL licence. Maintenance of the alarm and fire equipment rose by 26%. The £180 entered under "Fixture and fittings" was for repair of the conservatory door. This year we discontinued payments for the website (a cheaper alternative has been found) resulting in a saving of £204.

In summary, we had a surplus of £370 in 2022, compared to a deficit of £1270 in 2021 indicative of a significant recovery following the very difficult pandemic period in 2020.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Church Street Rooms is governed by its constitution document as lodged with the Charities Commission.

Trustees are sought from the local and wider community in which the hall operates. Individuals are selected for their local knowledge, skills and experience. Before joining the trustee board, individuals are given the opportunity to attend meetings as a visitor to observe the board in operation.

The Church Street Rooms is a member of Community Links, a Lincolnshire based charity providing advice and resources to organisations & individuals who operate within the rural communities. They provide us with targeted project support; technical, governance and legal advice and training; and through the provision of consultancy services.

The hall referred to as the Church Street Rooms as a building is held under a Deed of Trust document by the Diocesan of Lincoln, with the sole trustee being the Parish Priest. The CIO called "The Church Street Rooms" is solely liable for the maintenance and daily operation of the said hall and as such the Parish Priest sits on our committee as an invested interested trustee.

Principal address

The Church Street Rooms principal address is:

Village Hall, 7 Church Street, Corby Glen, Grantham NG33 4NJ

Trustees Report for the period ended 31 December 2022 (continued)

Trustees

All trustees were appointed on the incorporation date, none have resigned during the period.

Jon Wakerley	Chair
Anne Davies	Treasurer
David Hinsley	Trustee
Dean Miller	Trustee
Reverend Stephen Buckman	Trustee

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above on 25th August 2023.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's trustees

Jon Wakerley - Chair

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Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 December 2022*All figures relate to Unrestricted funds*

	Ye 31/12/22	Ye 31/12/21
	£	£
INCOME		
Coffee shop sales	1,504	340
Lunch club sales	-	-
Hall hire	1,197	440
Donations received	125	-
Event income	642	545
Bank interest received	87	4
COVID 19 local authority grant	-	-
Total Income	3,554	1,329
EXPENDITURE		
Cost of sales: Coffee shop	-	-
Lunch club	-	-
Utilities: Heat and light	913	588
Water	147	123
Telephone	429	427
Rates	67	(16)
Licences: PRS/PPL for music	132	110
ICO	40	40
Insurance	772	711
Maintenance: Alarms & fire equipment	457	364
Fixtures & fittings (including replacing capital items)	180	-
IT / website costs / Adverts	48	252
Total Expenditure	3,185	2,599
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the period	370	(1,270)
Cash funds brought forward at 1 January 2022		
Bank Account - Lloyds Bank	879	1,488
Bank Account - Lincoln Diocese Account CCLA account	6,640	6,620
Cash in hand	121	802
	7,640	8,910
CASH FUNDS AT THE PERIOD END	8,010	7,640
REPRESENTED BY:		
Bank Account - Lloyds Bank	1,229	879
Bank Account - Lincoln Diocese Account CCLA account	6,660	6,640
Cash in hand	121	121
	8,010	7,640

The trustees declare that they have approved the income and expenditure account.**Signed on behalf of the Charity's trustees on 25th August 2023.**

Jon Wakerley - Chair