



WARSASH READING ROOM AND VICTORY HALL

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Annual Report of the Trustees of the Warsash Victory Hall 2020/21

In line with the objectives in the Hall's constitution, the Victory Hall Charity continues to provide and maintain the building for the use of the inhabitants of Hook and Warsash without distinction of political, religious or other opinions with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

Several activities can take place at the same time due to the layout of the building. Regular users include Slimming World, Senior Citizens Luncheon Club, two Choirs, Bowls and Badminton Clubs plus there are Keep Fit classes every weekday.

Other Clubs have regular monthly bookings, i.e., Women's Institute, Flower Club, Horticultural Society, Warsash Residents' Association and Warsash History Society.

Casual user events such as Music Festivals, Drama Productions, Concerts and Jumble Sales also help to make the Victory Hall a lively social community meeting place, The Hall is also regularly used for Local and General Elections. It is estimated that normally over 1500 people use the hall each week.

The financial report ending 31st March 2021 showed that the total assets have decreased. This is mainly due to lack of income from enforced closures, in response to the Covid 19 pandemic. There has also been spending on the various improvements we have been making to the Hall.

Projects completed during the year include the following:

- Repainting the Main Hall and Hook Room
- New wall lights in the Main Hall
- Refit and decorate the Kitchen
- New lighting bars in the Main Hall
- New amplifier for the stage

Using the QuickBooks software continues to provide useful information on all aspects of our finances and the Trustees would like to record their appreciation to Brian and David for all their work on the Hall's finances over the past year.

From March onwards the Hall has been subject to various regulations as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic. The Hall has been closed between the 23rd of March and the 1st of September and seen a significant reduction in income during this period. In January there was another lockdown and the Hall has only recently been able to reopen for a limited number of users. We anticipate usage to pick up from 17th May with other groups indicating they will resume operating from September.

Our governance arrangements with sub committees for Building and Maintenance, Finance and Marketing continues to work well,

The Trustees are confident that the Hall's finances are in a good position and with reserves and government grants have been able to cope with the periods of shutdown.

2020 saw the sad passing of two of our most dedicated Trustees:

Beryl Flux MBE:- Beryl and her husband Bill were leading figures in getting the old Warsash Reading Room and Victory Hall replaced with the new Victory Hall building in 1975. Beryl served for many years as a Trustee and Chair of the Management Committee. Beryl was an active member and supporter of many local groups and societies and raised considerable funds for Macmillan Cancer Research.

Beryl was awarded an MBE, presented by Her Majesty the Queen in 1993, for her work at Ordnance Survey.

Gretl Davies:- Gretl served for many years as a Trustee representing the Badminton Club. Gretl was a great organiser and fund raiser for the Hall. Gretl was the driving force in organising many successful Summer Balls and other fund-raising events.

Beryl and Gretl helped to ensure that the Victory Hall continues as a local centre, available for use by all residents of Warsash. Both are fondly remembered and sadly missed, by all here at the Victory Hall.

Our AGM for the reporting period 2019/20 was postponed as recorded in the minutes of our meeting on May the 11th 2020.

Overall, the Trustees feel the Hall is coping well despite all the Coronavirus restrictions. The Trustees will continue to progress further improvements to the Hall's fabric and facilities and will undertake further fund raising and look for grant applications to allow this to proceed. Future projects include a new disabled toilet at the front of the building and repairs to the access road at the side of the Hall.

Derrick McNeill

Chairman Victory Hall Management Committee

21st May 2021

Jacky Gregory ACA

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Victory Hall Management Committee

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 2 to 3.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met.

Jacky Gregory
Chartered Accountant
11 May 2021

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	2020/21		2019/20	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Bar Trading Account				
Sales		10		11,469
Less:				
Purchases	572		4,847	
Wages	85		3,061	
Sundries	-		119	
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		657		8,026
Bar Profit/(Loss)	-	647		3,444
Lettings	11,379		64,080	
Events less Expenses				
Grants/Donations	23,979		588	
Other Income	340		376	
Interest Received	75		132	
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		35,773		65,176
TOTAL INCOME		<hr/>		<hr/>
		35,126		68,619
PAYMENTS				
Salaries and Wages		16,958		19,606
Utilities:				
Gas	1,941		2,349	
Electricity	1,359		3,685	
Water Rates	604		2,414	
Waste	888		2,453	
Telephone	867		1,193	
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		5,658		12,096
Overheads:				
Maintainence & renewals	30,607		28,298	
Advertising	32		89	
Bank charges	153		201	
Dues and Subscriptions	583		1,369	
Honoraria	1,300		2,200	
Insurance	2,149		2,119	
Printing & stationery	85		507	
Audit fee	250		250	
Professional Fees	35		35	
Sundries	318		1,008	
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		35,510		36,076
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<hr/>		<hr/>
		58,127		67,778
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES		<hr/>		<hr/>
		£(23,001)		£841

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	2020/21 £	2019/20 £
FIXED ASSETS	-	913
 CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash in Hand	95	128
Bank Account	11,449	33,557
Charities Official Investment Fund	28,602	28,528
VAT	653	675
	<u>40,800</u>	<u>62,887</u>
	<u>40,800</u>	<u>63,801</u>
 CAPITAL ACCOUNT		
Accumulated balance at 1 April	63,801	62,960
(Less)/Plus defecit/excess of income over payments	£(23,001)	841
	<u>40,800</u>	<u>63,801</u>