

## **TRENT MEMORIAL HALL - ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2020**

**1.** As a result of Covid-19, 2020 turned out to be a very different year from that which we had previously envisaged. We reported last time on the progress - both in terms of fundraising and building works - made since April 2019 with our project to extend and modernise the hall. Fitting out of the extension and improvements to the existing building took place during both 2019 and the early months of 2020. By the early summer of 2020 the Hall improvement project was almost complete and the new building ready to welcome visitors. Unfortunately, of course, we were instead hugely frustrated by the Covid pandemic, which put a temporary stop to those ideas. Having focussed during the first three months of the year on finishing the building work, we then went into lockdown. This basically ended all social events and only allowed some small classes, covering yoga, quilting, etc, to take place when they were allowed later in the year.

**2.** Nevertheless, the Hall Committee would like to record their thanks and gratitude to a number of people who voluntarily gave up significant time during the year to ensure that the Hall was ready to be used. They are Ron Jones, Max Snow, Simon Crozier, Paul Dart, Ian Matthews, and David and Janet Walden.

**3.** As far as social activities were concerned, the Coffee Morning held on 22 February sadly turned out to be the only such event in 2020, with even the Annual Village Fete falling victim to Covid-19. Fortunately, the Government offered grants to village halls forced to close and, to date, we had received some £13,800 from that source, via Dorset Council, in 2020 and 2021. This has been a vitally important source of funds at a time of closures and very limited income.

**4.** The 100 Club lottery had another good year, again being fairly fully subscribed. It had been a particularly important source of funds during this pandemic year.

**5.** Finally, the issue of a new playground had been raised at the 2020 AGM. In many ways this was the most exciting development of the latter part of 2020 and start of 2021. Following that AGM a small group drew up ideas and consulted widely on them, including villagers and both parents and children at the school. Jen Barron researched companies and secured quotes for the work and, as he had done for the Hall, David Walden started applying for grants, armed with many letters of support from across the people and organisations in Trent. Tina Harris and the Friends of Trent School were also very helpful here. By the time of the April AGM in 2021 we were able to report that, so far, we had raised around £36,000 in grants and donations, including nearly £25,000 from Viridor Credits.

### **The Hall Accounts for 2020**

**6.** The Hall Chairman thanked the Treasurer, Jen Barron, for her excellent work in maintaining our accounts, assisted by bookkeeper, Nick Dyer. He also thanked Max Snow, Treasurer of the Queen Thorne Benefice, who has kindly reviewed our accounts once again this year and approved them. His observations are also available.

**7.** The headlines from the accounts are that:

- Income from hall hire and events, not surprisingly, was significantly down, even from 2019 when we had the building works going on. However, several classes of up to 6 people were held in the period of 2020 when they were allowed. This bodes well for the future.
- Our total assets stood at around £12,900 at the end of 2020. This is pretty good given the expenditure in the previous two years on the improvement project and gives us a reasonable cushion for the future.

### **Election of the committee for 2021/22**

**8.** There had been a stable committee during 2020/21. The current committee were all willing to stand again for the coming year. As well as Paul Harris (Chairman), and David Walden (Secretary), they are Jen Barron (Treasurer), Peter Phillips, Nicola Harris, Wendy Phillips, Neil Carpenter, Marie

Negus, Mike Herrmann and Mike Hayton, representing the Parish Council. The Chairman thanked everyone on the current Committee for all their help and support, as well as Amelia Capewell, our ex-officio Bookings Secretary. No other candidates offered themselves for election. Accordingly those listed above were all reappointed.



## Trent Memorial Hall

Balance Sheet  
As of December 31, 2020

	TOTAL	
	AS OF DEC 31, 2020	AS OF DEC 31, 2019 (PY)
Fixed Asset		
<b>Total Fixed Asset</b>		
Cash at bank and in hand		
Bank Account	3,224.65	10,659.37
Events Float	65.60	65.60
Improvement Fund	2,448.33	34,443.49
Lottery Account	4,046.00	8,110.00
National Savings	33.35	1.00
PayPal	0.99	0.00
Petty Cash	190.10	190.10
Playground Fund	2,915.80	1,548.45
<b>Total Cash at bank and in hand</b>	<b>£12,924.82</b>	<b>£55,018.01</b>
Debtors		
Debtors	0.00	227.50
<b>Total Debtors</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£227.50</b>
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<b>£12,924.82</b>	<b>£55,245.51</b>
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	<b>£12,924.82</b>	<b>£55,245.51</b>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	<b>£12,924.82</b>	<b>£55,245.51</b>
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	<b>£12,924.82</b>	<b>£55,245.51</b>
Capital and Reserves		
Opening Balance Equity	23,626.74	23,626.74
Retained Earnings	31,618.77	25,270.66
Profit for the year	(42,320.69)	6,348.11
<b>Total Capital and Reserves</b>	<b>£12,924.82</b>	<b>£55,245.51</b>

### Accounts

Prepared by Nick Dyer 12 April 2021

Presented by Jen Barron..........16 April 2021

Examined by Max Snow ..........16 April 2021





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### Profit and Loss

January - December 2020

	TOTAL	
	JAN - DEC 2020	JAN - DEC 2019 (PY)
<b>Income</b>		
100 Club Subscription	3,255.00	3,125.00
Bank & National Savings Interest	37.82	45.06
Donations	5,740.00	17,793.44
Events	145.00	2,280.80
Fete		2,774.34
Gift Aid	1,290.02	3,545.26
Grants		
Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) Grant	20,546.00	
Dorset Council COVID Grant	10,000.00	
Garfield Weston Grant		10,000.00
National Lottery Grant		10,000.00
Queen Thorne Parish Council Grant	1,000.00	
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>31,546.00</b>	<b>20,000.00</b>
Hall Hire	959.50	2,870.50
Playground Income & Donations	366.72	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£43,340.06</b>	<b>£52,434.40</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>£43,340.06</b>	<b>£52,434.40</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
100 Club Winnings	1,394.00	750.00
Accountancy	360.00	
Bank Charges	34.81	
Cleaning	1,517.36	1,159.25
Donation	75.00	3,782.00
Donation Return		1,000.00
Events Expenses	923.99	797.70
Fete Expenses		39.54
Ground Rent	125.00	150.00
Hall Renovation	78,141.61	34,412.55
Insurances	1,276.45	847.47
Internal Furnishing	178.87	80.00
Light & Heat	325.90	692.59
Lottery Expenses	20.00	370.00
Other Professional Services	340.00	
PCC Share of Fete		1,402.17
Rates & Water	145.22	142.89
Repair and maintenance	512.90	143.93
Subscriptions	0.00	45.00
Waste disposal	161.64	151.20
Website & Internet	128.00	120.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£85,660.75</b>	<b>£46,086.29</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>£ (42,320.69)</b>	<b>£6,348.11</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>£ (42,320.69)</b>	<b>£6,348.11</b>

**Trent Memorial Hall - Independent Review of Accounts Year ended 31 Dec 2020**

I have reviewed the subject accounts by undertaking the following actions:

- Cross-checking all opening and closing balances in the Balance Sheet against hard and soft copies of bank statements.
- Cross-checking all entries on the Profit and Loss statement against the sub-total amounts in the Transaction Report.
- Undertaking random sample checks of invoices and remittance advice notes against entries in the Transaction Report.

Observations:

- There were no anomalies in the above checks
- A professionally qualified and experienced book-keeper had prepared the financial statements. However, these were submitted 5 days before the AGM, leaving little time to clarify any misunderstandings, or apparent omissions.
- Before the next examination of accounts, it would be helpful if the Examiner listed the documents required to undertake an examination and agreed a deadline for their submission.
- The Trent Memorial Hall Account continues to be run in a professional and business-like manner.

M C P Snow  
Independent Examiner

16 April 2021