

## TRENT MEMORIAL HALL – ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2023

1. 2023 was a good year for the Hall but without the dramatic developments of recent years, such as pandemics and major building projects. It gave everyone a chance to enjoy the refurbished hall. In terms of social activities, we held:

- 7 Film Nights, with films chosen through a survey of 100 Club members;
- 4 coffee mornings; and
- 6 Early Doors drinks evenings.

2. All of these activities provided a great way to catch up with friends as well as to meet new people. They also generate very welcome income for the hall.

3. In addition, 2023 saw a Pancake Mardi Gras, much enjoyed by children from Trent School, a series of Spring Lunches in Lent and a Harvest Lunch. The major events which were probably the highlight of last year were the Progressive Supper in February, the Turkish meal in May in aid of earthquake relief and the Quiz Night in November. There are too many people to thank individually but huge thanks to everyone who has contributed to our social activities over the year. Thanks as well to everyone who came to these events and helped make them the successes they were.

4. The great work has continued into this year, notably with the wonderful Syrian meal in February, enjoyed by nearly 50 people.

5. The biggest event of the year, in terms of the organisation required, is undoubtedly the annual village fete. 2023 saw much better weather than the previous year and our traditional village fete raised some £3,000 for the hall and the church, a really important sum for both organisations. The fete is always a great way of bringing people together to support the village.

6.. Financially, we rely on both the events already mentioned and hall hirings to keep the hall sustainable. Hirings in 2023 were up and we had a very successful year, with some 23 birthday parties – for both children and adults – as well as a wedding. Income from hall hire grew significantly between 2022 and 2023. This is most encouraging, reflecting the excellent facilities which we can now offer.

7. On the issue of facilities, we installed an induction loop hearing system to help those with hearing difficulties access films more easily and are well advanced in planning a storage shed. Another improvement we want to make is

to install a suspended ceiling in the meeting room, to reduce the ambient noise. Finally, our major current plan concerns the installation of solar panels on the roof, along with storage batteries to provide power at night and when the sun is not shining. As well as being a positive, green, step, this should help reduce further our energy costs at a time of continuing high prices.

8. The **100 Club lottery** had another good year, with more members than in 2022.

9. On the **Hall Accounts for 2023**, our new Treasurer, Nicola Matthews, explained that the headlines are that:

- Income from hall hire rose further in 2023, up to some £7,800, which was an increase of 26% over 2022. This is a very pleasing result. Getting close to that performance in 2024 would be very good.
- Our total assets stood at just under £29,000 at the end of 2023, compared with just under £23,000 at the end of 2022. This gives us the opportunity for some careful investments for the future, as mentioned earlier, whilst still maintaining a sensible reserve for unexpected events.

### **Election of the committee for 2024/25**

10. During the last year Jen Barron and Neil Carpenter stepped down from the Committee. Grateful thanks to them both for their years of service. The following committee members are willing to stand again for the coming year. As well as Paul Harris, Chairman, they are David Walden, Peter Phillips, Nicola Matthews, Wendy Phillips, Mike Herrmann, Ray Thomson and Alistair Morgan. The Parish Council will also nominate a member in due course. Thanks to everyone on the current Committee for all their help and support.





# Trent Memorial Hall

## Profit and Loss

January - December 2023

	TOTAL	
	JAN - DEC 2023	JAN - DEC 2022 (PY)
Income		
100 Club Subscription	3,177.00	3,228.00
Bank & National Savings Interest	37.71	1.66
Donations	59.39	983.47
Events	8,282.34	6,339.23
Fete	4,055.20	2,834.20
<b>Total Events</b>	<b>12,337.54</b>	<b>9,173.43</b>
Gift Aid		227.00
Grants		
Dorset Council COVID Grants		2,667.00
Queen Thorne Parish Council Grants	80.40	650.00
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>80.40</b>	<b>3,317.00</b>
Hall Hire	7,854.00	6,224.75
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£23,546.04</b>	<b>£23,155.31</b>
Cost of Sales		
100 Club Winnings	1,400.00	1,300.00
Lottery Expenses	20.00	20.00
<b>Total 100 Club Winnings</b>	<b>1,420.00</b>	<b>1,320.00</b>
Events Expenses	4,332.74	3,553.78
Closing Bar Stock	(980.78)	
Donations from Events	1,436.55	
Fete Expenses	2,207.43	1,699.13
<b>Total Events Expenses</b>	<b>6,995.94</b>	<b>5,252.91</b>
<b>Total Cost of Sales</b>	<b>£8,415.94</b>	<b>£6,572.91</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>£15,130.10</b>	<b>£16,582.40</b>
Expenses		
Accountancy	647.00	355.00
Cleaning	1,380.20	1,312.86
Ground Rent	150.00	150.00
Hall Renovation	590.00	3,921.05
Insurances	897.90	866.52
Internal Furnishings and Equipment	714.53	3,143.95
Light & Heat	971.09	804.80
PayPal Charges	73.28	
Playground Expenses	39.00	1,172.38
Printing, Postage and Stationery	22.25	21.48
Rates & Water	235.34	165.41
Repair and maintenance	1,885.98	596.49
Subscriptions and Licences	509.20	192.00
Waste disposal	237.71	168.40
Website & Internet	559.87	585.10
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>£8,913.35</b>	<b>£13,455.44</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>£6,216.75</b>	<b>£3,126.96</b>





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## Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2023

		TOTAL	
		AS OF DEC 31, 2023	AS OF DEC 31, 2022 (PY)
Fixed Asset			
Total Fixed Asset			
Cash at bank and in hand			
Bank Account (Lloyds 9064)	16,904.36	10,906.56	
Improvement Fund (Lloyds 9560)	0.64	3,585.21	
Instant Access Savings (Lloyds 6368)	10,011.84	2.22	
Lottery Account (Lloyds 9968)	647.00	7,881.00	
National Savings	33.62	33.59	
PayPal	0.00	0.99	
Petty Cash	219.47	102.00	
Total Cash at bank and in hand	£27,816.93	£22,511.57	
Debtors			
Debtors	59.00	90.00	
Total Debtors	£59.00	£90.00	
Current Assets			
Bar Stock	980.78		
Total Current Assets	£980.78	£0.00	
NET CURRENT ASSETS	£28,856.71	£22,601.57	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Trade Creditors			
Creditors	38.39		
Total Trade Creditors	£38.39	£0.00	
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	£38.39	£0.00	
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£28,818.32	£22,601.57	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	£28,818.32	£22,601.57	
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£28,818.32	£22,601.57	
Capital and Reserves			
Opening Balance Equity	23,626.74	23,626.74	
Retained Earnings	(1,025.17)	(4,152.13)	
Profit for the year	6,216.75	3,126.96	
Total Capital and Reserves	£28,818.32	£22,601.57	

### Note

The committee acknowledge there is a contingent liability in relation to monies provided by the Ernest Cook Trust which has not been provided for in the accounts.

Accounts prepared by: Nick Dyer 17 April 2024

Accounts presented by: Nicola Harris

Signature:

Date:

25/4/24

Accounts examined by: Max Snow

Signature:

Date:

25/4/24



From: Max Snow maxsnow@btopenworld.com  
Subject: Trent Memorial Hall - Independent Review of Accounts Year ended 31 Dec 2023  
Date: 26 Apr 2024 at 18:11:44  
To: David and Walden secretary@trentmemorialhall.co.uk  
Cc: nicola@sherborneturf.co.uk

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Dear David,

**Trent Memorial Hall - Independent Review of Accounts Year ended 31 Dec 2023**

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

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

**Observations:**

- There were no anomalies in the above checks.
- A professionally qualified and experienced book-keeper has prepared the financial statements.
- The Hall Committee should be reassured that the Trent Memorial Hall Accounts continue to be run in a professional and business-like manner.
- I have counter-signed a hard copy of the Balance Sheet

M C P Snow, BSc, Dip FM, FRAeS  
Independent Examiner  
25th April 2024