

**St Mary's Village Hall CIO  
The Chapel  
St Mary Lane  
St Mary Park  
MORPETH  
NE61 6BL**

**Financial Statement  
For the Year to 31st March 2025**

**Registered Charity Number  
1176742**

## **St Mary's Village Hall CIO**

### **Charity Details**

#### **Charity Registration**

The charity was registered with the Charity Commission as a CIO on 19th January 2018.

#### **The Objects**

The objects of the CIO are to establish and run a village hall and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Stannington, Northumberland without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race of 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 of 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.

#### **The Trustees**

Maggie Bailey - Chair (to 8th August 2024)

Jade Parlett - Chair (appointed 8th August 2024)

Julie-Anne Lowe

Nancy Charlesworth - (appointed 8th August 2024)

Tom Elliott - (appointed 8th August 2024)

#### **Registered Office**

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#### **Independent Examiner**

Emma Locke BA Hons MAAT AATQB  
Blackbird Business Solutions Ltd

#### **Bankers**

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## **St Mary's Village Hall CIO**

### **Annual Report**

New trustees took on responsibility for the village hall in August 2024 and have had a successful year

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- The Summer Fair started a series of community events including Halloween, Christmas and Easter parties for children, subsidised by the fund raising activities of the Christmas Fair, Wreath Making, Quiz Night and Curry Night at Char Maussum.
- The Women's Institute meet monthly and support all the fund raising events. Zumba takes place 3 Wednesdays a month.
- The hall continues to be a popular venue for wedding receptions and parties, hire fees contribute to most of the running costs of the hall.

Feedback from community events have been very positive and the Trustees would like to thank and recognise the support and enthusiasm of our wonderful volunteers who make these things happen.

Trustees have continued to make the most of this beautiful hall, the bar has been given a makeover and a screen houses chairs and tables not in use to create a clutter free space for events, parties and other activities. Further storage has been created above the cupboards with safe access via a loft ladder.

The number of wedding receptions is limited to 7 per year and income from these and other bookings have contributed £8,709 to running costs. Total income this financial year is £25,050 and expenditure is £18,553.

The Trustees are looking to the future and are pursuing external funding to improve the acoustics in the hall, repairs or replacement of the floor, refurbish the kitchen and improve the heating system.

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ST MARY'S VILLAGE HALL**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Mary's Village Hall for the year ended March 2025.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report:**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement:**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that:

accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or  
the accounts do not accord with those records; or  
the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### **Examiner's name:**

Emma Locke BA Hons MAAT AATQB  
Blackbird Business Solutions Ltd

### **Date:**

01/06/25

## Summary of Accounts April 2024 to March 2025

Income		Expenditure	
Balance B/F	27014.08		
Hall Hire	8709.50	Bank Charges	218.72
Events	3699.32	Events	1612.94
Bar/Catering	9566.42	Bar/Catering	4427.86
Lottery	85.00	LPG	3475.75
Donations	100.00	Electric	2277.84
Other	91.58	Communication	416.81
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>22,251.82</b>	Repairs/Maintenance	2652.62
		Licences	91.00
		Insurance	263.35
		Administration	294.65
		Volunteer Exp's	225.00
		Equipment	773.64
		Other	132.65
		<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>16,862.83</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>		<b>Restricted Funds</b>	
Returnable		Returnable	
Damage Deposits	5230.00	Damage Deposits	2692.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>54,495.90</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>19,554.83</b>

**Balance to carry forward £34,941.07**

Signed .....

Name .....

Position .....