

1. Temple Sowerby Victory Hall  
Charitable Incorporated Organisation

**Trustees Report**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2024**

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## A. Reference and Administrative Details

<b>Charity name:</b>	Temple Sowerby Victory Hall
<b>Charity registration number:</b>	1177446
<b>Principal address:</b>	Temple Sowerby Penrith Cumbria CA10 1SB
<b>Contact address:</b>	Old Rum Cottage Temple Sowerby Penrith Cumbria CA10 1RZ

### Trustees

Mr Stephen Parker	
Ms Elizabeth Fiona Dunn	Treasurer
Ms Sue Mason	
Mrs Alison Sambrook	Secretary
Ms Kay Rodger	
Mrs Audrey Ball	

**Bankers** – Barclays, Market Square, Penrith CA11 7YB

**Solicitors** – Cartmell Shepherd, Bishop Yards, Penrith CA11 7XU

**Independent Examiner** – As the Charity's income did not exceed £25,000 and there are no other requirements for audit or examination of its accounts, the members have opted to forego independent examination for the period ended 31 December 2024 as permitted under the Charities Act 2011.

## B. Structure, governance and management

Prior to 2018, Temple Sowerby Victory Hall was set up as an unincorporated charity, registered number 523081. At the AGM of charity 523081 held on 30 January 2018 it was resolved to convert the charity to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The CIO was registered on 6th March 2018 with the registered number 1177446.

Charity 523081 carried on its activities until 31st August 2018 when its assets and liabilities were transferred to the CIO which assumed responsibility for these activities as of 1st September 2018.

The title to the property in Temple Sowerby Victory Hall was held by The Official Custodian for Charities on behalf of the Trustees of Charity 523081, but as a CIO, Charity 1177446 is in a position to hold title to property in its own right. The title to Temple Sowerby Victory Hall was duly conveyed to it on 7th June 2018 subject to the restrictions on disposition imposed by sections 117-121 of the Charities Act 2011.

The CIO is governed by a constitution last amended on 30 January 2018.

The first trustees of the CIO were the existing trustees of charity 523081, two of whom resigned during 2018 with replacements being appointed by the remaining trustees. No changes to the trustees of the CIO have taken place during 2019. Trustees may also be elected at an annual general

meeting provided they are duly nominated in accordance with the provisions of the constitution. Each supportive user body as defined under the constitution also has the right to appoint one trustee.

The trustees delegate management activities to committees each of which has at least one trustee representative.

### **C. Objectives and activities**

The objects of the CIO are to establish and run a village hall for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Temple Sowerby in Cumbria (the “area of benefit”) without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or political, religious or other opinions. This is achieved by provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or 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 inhabitants of the area of benefit.

The main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects are:

- the hiring of the hall to local residents, clubs and organisations to enable them to carry on social, educational and recreational activities
- promotion, organisation and management of fundraising and community events held in the hall, all of which are aimed at promoting social interaction and cohesion.

The trustees review all proposed activities before they are undertaken to ensure that they contribute to and comply with the objects contained in the CIO constitution. The Charity Commission’s general guidance on public benefit was referred to in formulating the CIO’s objects. The success of each activity and the benefits it has brought are reviewed at each Trustee and Delegate meeting.

A major contribution to the management, maintenance and renovation of the hall and the organisation and execution of fundraising and community events is made by volunteers, who are organised through the Friends of Temple Sowerby Victory Hall group. This voluntary activity itself contributes to the CIO objects through providing a platform for community identity and involvement.

### **D. Achievements and performance**

Unrestricted funds were again raised from room hiring fees, fundraising events, donations and the village lottery. These funds are used to cover the hall running costs.

2024 saw the commencement of a village cine club with a themed meal included. This has raised a large amount of funds for the village hall and is run by a small, but willing group of volunteers. A weekly puppy training class has also begun.

The Temple Sowerby Primary School continue to use the school on a weekly basis. Coffee mornings are held twice each month with volunteers providing drinks and cakes. All money raised from this is donated back to the hall.

A local caterer, Janet Davies, from the village provides an excellent three course Christmas lunch for residents of the village. She has also held some themed meals which have proved very popular. It is

hoped that these will continue throughout 2025 together with providing meals for other events being initiated.

Fire risk assessment was completed.

Maintenance:

- Refurbishment of entrance
- Refurbishment of ladies' toilets

## **E. Financial review**

The CIO has continued its reserves policy of retaining minimum cash funds sufficient to finance one year's worth of normal outgoings. This has been calculated as £5,000 at current rates of expenditure.

The bank account with Barclays continues.

The role of treasurer is currently with Elizabeth Fiona Dunn.

## **F. Trustees Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature: ..... ..

Full name: Ms Elizabeth Fiona Dunn Mrs Alison Sambrook

Position: Treasurer Secretary

Date:

	Bank	Cash	Bar Stock	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total Funds	2023
Assets and Liabilities brought forward 01/01/2023	£ 20,985	£ 531	£ 31	£ 21,547	£ -	£ 21,547	£ 21,547	£ 20,231
<b><u>Income for the year ended 31/12/2024</u></b>								
Hire Fees				£ 4,209				
Events Income				£ 2,845				
Interest				£ 197				
Lottery				£ 952				
Donations								
Total Normal Unrestricted Income				£ 8,203		£ 8,203	£ 8,203	
Grants Received								
Total Income				£ 8,203				£ 6,747
<b><u>Expenditure for the year ended 31/12/2024</u></b>								
Utilities				£ 1,304				
Cleaning				£ 1,818				
Maintenance & Repairs				£ 1,242				
Insurance				£ 758				
Licences				£ 350				
Other								
Total Normal Unrestricted Expenditure				£ 5,471				-5,431
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Surplus/ Deficit								
Unrestricted - normal activities								
Restricted								
Total				£ 2,732				£ 1,316
Assets and liabilities carried forward 31/12/2024	£ 23,661	£ 407	£ 211	£ 24,279		£ 24,279	£ 24,279	£ 21,547
			Diff	£ -				