

SOBERTON VILLAGE HALL

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – July 2023

This report has been produced to update our hirers and villagers on how the Village Hall has fared in the previous year.

We're pleased to say that the Hall bookings have gradually returned after the black clouds of covid. With the electricity costs spiralling the Committee decided not to pass costs on to hirers who were trying to re-establish their bookings. Instead, the background heating hours and temperatures were tuned down a notch and the hall absorbed some of the additional costs. The new storage heaters installed previously have certainly aided the tuning.

Rachael Williams, as Health & Safety representative, has continued to evolve the guidance in our terms and conditions, to follow health guidance and ensure we keep up-to-date with regular fire and electric reviews by third parties.

Katie Flannagan as Booking Secretary has kept a customer focus and welcomed several new regular hall users.

Bob Stranks has kept the accounts in good financial shape keeping a watchful eye on the electricity costs and looking to maximise returns as rates rise.

We continue to operate as a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) with a set of trustees. The small strip of land that extended the car park has now been updated by the Land Registry and leaves us in sound order.

The Village Hall website is kept updated by Ben Bracken. Jane Salmon keeps the stores in good order and David Salmon ensures the outside areas are well maintained. The hedges have sprung up but we can't cut until nesting birds are clear and our gardeners are monitoring. Sue Houlding as secretary, ensures our committee meetings run efficiently, are minuted and actions followed up. Chris Mortimer is looking at options to install a projector screen.

A reminder that the Village Hall trustees are all unpaid and I thank them all for helping to run the Hall in such a professional manner – Sue, Bob, Katie, Rachael, Jane, David, Chris and Ben.

Thanks to all those who use the Hall and we're always open to new hirers. If you have any thoughts on how facilities could be improved to the benefit of the village please talk to any of the committee.

Pete Woodacre - SVH Chairman

Soberton Village Hall
Charity Number 1184016
Financial Statement For Year Ending 31st December 2022

Year Ending
December 2021

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2022

Hall Revenue Account

£10,246.00	Hiring Receipts	£16,181.75
£8,808.41	Other Income	£2,527.12
£19,054.41	Total Income	£18,708.87
£11,999.21	Total Expenditure	£12,889.23
£7,055.20	Surplus\Deficit for Year (Hall Revenue Account Expenditure vs Total Income)	£5,819.64
Account Balances at 31 December		
£67,367.05	SV Current Account	£73,373.87
£262.18	SV Fund Current Account	£0.00
£207.00	Cash in Hand	£282.00
<u>£67,836.23</u>	Total of Funds	<u>£73,655.87</u>