

SOBERTON VILLAGE HALL

Chairman's Report Mar 2026

There have been a number of upgrades to the Hall. The WiFi router was upgraded to improve access across the Hall rooms. A Projector screen has been added to the Blakes room to facilitate Business and Group use.

The Hall flat roofs have been upgraded with waterproof membranes with a commercial guarantee and meets our Insurance Company conditions. This has been very expensive and was funded from our Reserves.

We still have high electricity costs, and to run the Hall as environmentally friendly and economically as possible, we have now progressed three quotes for Solar panels helped by advisers recommended by Suzanne White, the local Green Party councillor. This has finally resulted in a Solar Grant application to South Downs National Park with expert help on the details from the Parish Council Chairman. We await news.

We have regular hirers providing opportunities to the village including - Bridge, Pilates for recovering patients, Soberton Players twice yearly productions, Table Tennis, Pilates exercise, Folk Association of South Hants and a newly introduced Faith group.

On top of this we provide excellent facilities for Village weddings, Wakes and Parties for all ages. This last year alone included around twenty parties.

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

We continue to operate as a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) which provides a legal and financial protection to the trustees. 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, Rachael, Chris, Ben and new trustee Adrian.

Our purpose is to provide an asset for village life and we feel that has continued but we're always interested in anyone wishing to join our team as a Trustee. Please contact any of the trustees to explore membership.

Pete Woodacre - SVH Chairman

Further information is available on our website: www.sobertonvillagehall.co.uk

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Soberton Village Hall
Charity Number 1184016
Financial Statement For Year Ending 31st December 2025

Year Ending December 2024		Year Ending December 2025
	Hall Revenue Account	
£16,203.00	Hiring Receipts	£14,656.60
£4,212.30	Other Income	£3,531.68
£20,415.30	TOTAL INCOME	£18,188.28
	Expenditure	
£20,149.16	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£29,628.30
£266.14	Surplus\Deficit for Year	-£11,440.02
	Account Balances at 31 December	
£47,266.15	SV Current Account	£34,804.50
£25,852.33	Lloyds High Interest Account	£26,783.01
£64.00	Cash in Hand	£154.77
£73,182.48	Total of Funds	£61,742.28