

DEEPING ST NICHOLAS VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 1184130

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2019-06-27

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

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 DEEPING ST NICHOLAS ("AREA OF BENEFIT") WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AGE, DISABILITY, NATIONALITY, RACE OR 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 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 SAID INHABITANTS.

Activities: To establish and run a village hall and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Deeping St Nicholas.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Recreation

Geography

- Lincolnshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£778	£11	-	-
2024-06-30	£1,023	£375	-	-
2023-06-30	£1,679	£841	-	-
2022-06-30	£3,249	£1,059	-	-
2021-06-30	£0	£120	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Deborah Ann Croyle	Chair	2019-02-12
Andrew David Croyle		2019-02-12
Karl Newman		2019-02-12
Philip Nicholas Watts		2019-02-12
Samantha Jane Davison		2019-02-12

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Chair's summary of activity 2024-2025

We have held three other meetings this year, 23rd Feb at Saxmundham, learning about their venues and keeping Dave in the loop, 20th March re Metro bank, and 22nd July to ratify the appointment of another trustee.

The hall

This time last year Emerald homes had just made public their purchase of the Home Farm site and published their plans in the Village News. Since then, they have demolished the barns and created huge piles of rubble, and as far as we can see, that's it! We've been told that due to the need to complete sewers, roads and a pumping station before any drainage is viable, the earliest completion date for a hall would be 2026, and it could be 2027. At this rate, my thoughts are with 2027, however Andy and I will no longer be on the PC to accept custodianship of the hall.

New Trustee

With that in mind, I'd like to welcome our new Trustee, Rob Jarvis. As plans stand, Rob will be on the PC when the hall is handed over, so will be the link with the CIO, whoever finally accepts ownership.

Summer fete

Andy and I have stepped down from the role of organisers, and this year the fete was run by the Good Neighbour Scheme, with Rob as organiser and Andy as occasional advisor.

Other news

I am willing to continue as CTC chair if that is the wish of the committee. We go into our next year in a very healthy financial position and with a renewed sense of hope about the hall.

Deborah Croyle, Chair, October 2025

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For the year ended 30 June 2025

	2025	2024	2023
Balance Brough Forward	£7,363.50	£6,715.84	£5,878.21
Revenue			
Funds Raised - Events	£555.66	£1,022.50	£1,679.35
Funds Raised - Sales			
Other Revenue	£222.00		
Total Revenue	£777.66	£1,022.50	£1,679.35
Direct Expenses			
Event Costs	£10.46	£351.00	£784.07
Total Direct Expenses	£10.46	£351.00	£784.07
Gross Profit	£767.20	£671.50	£895.28
Administrative Costs			
Advertising & Marketing			
General Expenses		£17.00	
Motor Vehicle Expenses		£6.84	£57.65
Subscriptions			
Total Administrative Costs		£23.84	£57.65
Profit	£767.20	£647.66	£837.63
Balance	£8,130.70	£7,363.50	£6,715.84

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Chair's summary of activity 2023-2024

The hall

This time last year we had just heard of a developer being interested in the Home Farm development. After a lot of delay over the land sale we were able to reveal that the developer is Emerald Homes, part of the RTW group of Pinchbeck. Andy and I have a contact there who we have met a few times, and to whom we gave the Allison Homes plans, and said 'Build that'. Their first drawings came back nothing like, so we patiently repeated the instruction and their second set came back a lot closer. We pointed out a few discrepancies and at the third attempt we have drawings for a hall that is just about identical to the Allison's hall.

Signs have gone up at the entrance to the site, and Emerald Homes bought the centrefold in the village news to tell readers of their plans for the development. These show the hall as being set back behind the car park rather than between the road and the car park but at this stage much can change. As I write this the SHDC website still shows the detail matters as undecided for planning purposes but that is only a matter of time. In informal discussions we were told that due to the need to complete sewers, roads and a pumping station before any drainage is viable, the earliest completion date for a hall would be 2026, and it could be 2027. It usually only slips one way!

Summer fete

The big event was, as always, the summer fete. It was an overcast day but at least it stayed dry; this did affect footfall. We were let down a few weeks before the event – again – this time by the tombola, our biggest money maker. Rob Jarvis stepped in and ran this under the Good Neighbour Scheme banner, along with a raffle, face painting, and a coconut shy, taking over £600, but of course this went to the GNS not the CIO.

Thanks again to Emma and Steve Corrigan for getting the marquee from the rugby club, and a generator, fuel, and transport from AD Bly. Thanks again to Steve Fernandez, and to Sam who lent their BBQ, to Nicholas for the food donations, and to St Nicholas house for donating some chairs. Ye Olde Bridge Inn also donated some chairs, and again ran the BBQ for us as well as the bar. We made a modest surplus of £484, due again to the Parish Council underwriting the costs of the fete, £688.

Andy and I have stepped down from the role of organisers. We have co-ordinated the last five village fetes over seven years, with a break of two years for Covid-19, and have decided it's time to hand the reins over to our replacements, whoever they may be. So, next year's fete is up for discussion. If it is to be, we will need a new committee, and Andy has made this clear at the PC meetings and in the Village News. We'll be happy to hand over the contacts and a 'how to' checklist.

Other news

I am willing to continue as CTC chair if that is the wish of the committee. We go into our next year in a very healthy financial position and with a renewed sense of hope about the hall.

Deborah Croyle, Chair, October 2024

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For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023	2022
Balance Brough Forward	£6,715.84	£5,878.21	£3,688.09
Revenue			
Funds Raised - Events	£1,022.50	£1,679.35	£3,249.60
Funds Raised - Sales			
Other Revenue			
Total Revenue	£1,022.50	£1,679.35	£3,249.60
Direct Expenses			
Event Costs	£351.00	£784.07	£892.48
Total Direct Expenses	£351.00	£784.07	£892.48
Gross Profit	£671.50	£895.28	£2,357.12
Administrative Costs			
Advertising & Marketing			£100.00
General Expenses	£17.00		
Motor Vehicle Expenses	£6.84	£57.65	£67.00
Subscriptions			
Total Administrative Costs	£23.84	£57.65	£167.00
Profit	£647.66	£837.63	£2,190.12
Balance	£7,363.50	£6,715.84	£5,878.21

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The hall

I closed last year's annual report by saying that we were making good progress on the hall. I spoke too soon! In January we heard that Allison's were no longer going ahead with the Home Farm development. Although this seemed like a kick in the teeth, on reflection we have come out of this with a lot more information and costings than we went in with, so it's not all bad news. There is a developer extremely interested in the Home Farm site and it appears that the last few difficulties have been ironed out, so we are optimistic of exchange and completion occurring in the next month or so.

Christmas Event

We helped out at the Vine House Farm Christmas event – mainly with Sam selling raffle tickets, and refusing to take No as an answer. This was our second such event, and was run on very different lines to the first. The only other thing we had to do was rattle the cans at the door, and sell raffle tickets. Although there was no entrance ticket money, we still raised £461.82; not bad for a couple of hours work.

Summer fete

The big event was, as always, the summer fete. We were let down four weeks before the event, finding we had no marquee, BBQ, chairs, tables, generator, transport ... basically all the kit we needed. We came very close to cancelling the event, but thanks to Emma and Steve Corrigan we got the same marquee from the rugby club, and a generator, fuel, and transport from AD Bly, to whom we remain most grateful. Thanks hugely to Steve Fernandez, who lent us a BBQ and some picnic benches 'borrowed' from the Bull at Market Deeping. Thanks also to Sam who lent their BBQ, and of course to all those who took part in whatever way. Ye Olde Bridge Inn ran the BBQ for us as well as the bar, gaining some useful publicity in the process! We made a surplus of £1133, £15 more than last year, largely due to the Parish Council again agreeing to underwrite the costs of the fete up to £700. We have broadly agreed to repeat a June date next year.

Other news

I intend to stand down as chair of the fete organising committee but am willing to continue as CTC chair if that is the wish of the committee. We go into our next year in a very healthy financial position and with a renewed sense of hope about the hall. I look forward to next year's summary – hopefully I can then talk about our new hall!

Deborah Croyle, Chair, September 2023

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For the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023	2022	2021
Balance Brough Forward	£5,878.21	£3,688.09	£3,808.09
Revenue			
Funds Raised - Events	£1,679.35	£3,249.60	
Funds Raised - Sales			
Other Revenue			
Total Revenue	£1,679.35	£3,249.60	£0.00
Direct Expenses			
Event Costs	£784.07	£892.48	
Total Direct Expenses	£784.07	£892.48	£0.00
Gross Profit	£895.28	£2,357.12	£0.00
Administrative Costs			
Advertising & Marketing		£100.00	
Audit & Accountancy fees			
Motor Vehicle Expenses	£57.65	£67.00	
Subscriptions			£120.00
Total Administrative Costs	£57.65	£167.00	£120.00
Profit	£837.63	£2,190.12	-£120.00
Balance	£6,715.84	£5,878.21	£3,688.09

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Chair's summary of activity 2021-2022

I closed last year's annual report by saying that we planned for the following year to be more active than last year. Well, it certainly has been, with two successful fundraising events, both of which brought in more money than planned, and tangible progress on the hall.

Vine House Farm Christmas tasting event

This was our first such event, and raised us nearly £1200 surplus, largely due to Sam's persistent sales of raffle tickets, and the contribution from Vine House Farm from the event ticket sales. The event was, if anything, over-successful, and a few people turned away because of the crowding in the venue. We would love to do another such event, and discussions are in place with Vine House Farm, but there is no certainty yet as to what they will do and what our part in it will be.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee fete

This was another extremely successful event, as shown by the comments on social media. It raised us over £1100 surplus, although this was largely due to the Parish Council agreeing to underwrite the costs of the fete as their contribution to commemorating the Jubilee. This was especially timely as there were some costs we had not incurred in previous years, such as the £80 donation to Spalding RFC for use of their marquee on this and two previous occasions. The Parish Council have also agreed to underwrite the costs of a fete each year up to £700 for the foreseeable future. Ye Olde Bridge Inn has expressed their willingness, should we require it, to run the BBQ for us next year as well as the bar. They will likely use their own meat supplier, which should counteract the few criticisms received about the burgers. We have broadly agreed to repeat a June date next year.

Village hall update

There was little activity for most of the year until we heard that Ashwood were no longer the preferred developer of the Home Farm site. A sub-committee has met with Allison Homes, the new developers, and on the first occasion we were offered £500,000 plus the land to build the hall ourselves. We turned this offer down and were pleasantly surprised on our second meeting to be presented with plans for a building which incorporates most of the green features we want; it could in theory run with no energy input from outside. Allison have asked us not to divulge specifics of this for the time being. The main hall size is a little smaller than we would have liked but we have worked with their drawings and rearranged some of the internal layout to best suit our needs. The next step will be to look at the details such as surface finishes and some detailed dimensions. We will also be looking for funding to kit the hall out with items not included such as furniture; once we have a building agreed we can also go for match funding.

Other news

We also succeeded in moving our bank account away from Santander to Metro Bank, which is running smoothly and has already brought benefits of ease of access to financial data. My thanks to all those involved in making these and other successes happen over the last year. We go into our next year in a healthy financial position and with a renewed sense of hope about the hall. I look forward to next year's summary – hopefully I can then talk about our new hall!

Deborah Croyle, Chair, September 2022

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For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021	2020
Balance Brough Forward	£3,688.09	£3,808.09	£3,337.38
Revenue			
Funds Raised - Events	£3,249.60		£903.08
Funds Raised - Sales			£15.00
Other Revenue			
Total Revenue	£3,249.60	£0.00	£918.08
Direct Expenses			
Event Costs	£892.48		£188.99
Total Direct Expenses	£892.48	£0.00	£188.99
Gross Profit	£2,357.12	£0.00	£729.09
Administrative Costs			
Advertising & Marketing	£100.00		£18.38
Audit & Accountancy fees			£240.00
Motor Vehicle Expenses	£67.00		
Subscriptions		£120.00	£0.00
Total Administrative Costs	£167.00	£120.00	£258.38
Profit	£2,190.12	-£120.00	£470.71
Balance	£5,878.21	£3,688.09	£3,808.09

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Chair's summary of activity 2020-2021

The impact of the Covid-19 pandemic

In common with every other charity and community group out there, this has been a largely inactive year. All the planned and proposed events were cancelled due to the immediate impact of the Coronavirus, and the uncertainty as to when the world might return to normal, and what that would look like. We held the minimum required meetings; a couple of these during lockdown were via Zoom. Covid-19 also impacted our ability to apply for funding, of which more later.

Home Farm planning permission

But now the good news! Ashwood Homes were advised that in order to be successful in gaining planning permission to build on the Home Farm site, they would need to provide a hall on the site. Lengthy discussions took place about the viability of this, but eventually planning permission was granted subject to several conditions including:

- A village hall is to be provided before 50% of dwellings are completed
- The hall is to be handed over to Parish Council or appropriate community organisation

Clearly there are many hoops for the developers to jump through such as S106 and archaeological requirements before we can start serious discussions about the design and building of a hall, but this is a huge step in the right direction.

Funding applications

The Committee has made many applications to gain funding during the year. Some donors temporarily suspended their giving and nearly all others changed their criteria so that applicants had to demonstrate a tangible connection to helping those affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. The only application to progress beyond the first stage involved creating a video; this was a steep learning curve for all concerned! In connection with this a Givey page was set up offering rewards for donations. Work continues on applications.

Finances

There has been virtually no financial activity during the year. The Committee received a bequest for £2,000 from the estate of the late Dick Tinsley, and there was a donation to the Givey page. There was one expense; renewal of the Community Lincs membership (now YMCA Lincolnshire). Again due to the pandemic, there has been no tangible progress in changing over the bank account.

Business planning

The business plan has been developed during the year to reflect the change to the Home Farm site, and to remove some of the background information, which remains available for use if required. We plan that next year will be considerably more active!

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For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021	2020	CTC B/F
Balance Brough Forward	£3,808.09	£3,337.38	£0.00
Revenue			
Funds Raised - Events		£903.08	£2,946.30
Funds Raised - Sales		£15.00	£437.00
Other Revenue		£0.00	£540.00
Total Revenue	£0.00	£918.08	£3,923.30
Direct Expenses			
Event Costs		£188.99	£377.54
Total Direct Expenses	£0.00	£188.99	£377.54
Gross Profit	£0.00	£729.09	£3,545.76
Administrative Costs			
Advertising & Marketing		£18.38	£65.38
Audit & Accountancy fees		£240.00	£0.00
Subscriptions	£120.00	£0.00	£143.00
Total Administrative Costs	£120.00	£258.38	£208.38
Profit	-£120.00	£470.71	£3,337.38
Balance	£3,688.09	£3,808.09	£3,337.38