

MOUNT BURES VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 1188329

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-03-04

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

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Activities

Objects: THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF MOUNT BURES WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS INCLUDING USE FOR;(A) MEETINGS, LECTURES AND CLASSES, AND(B) OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE

Activities: To provide a meeting place and facility for members of the village of Mount Bures to pursue leisure, social and educational activities, within the village fo Mount Bures.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Essex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£4,223	£7,937	-	-
2024-03-31	£8,664	£10,246	-	-
2023-03-31	£2,836	£3,785	-	-
2022-03-31	£1,215	£1,026	-	-
2021-03-31	£1,982	£1,310	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MAJOR RICHARD CHARLES GOULD	Chair	2020-03-04
Emma Louise Barr		2022-03-16
Fiona Willett		2022-03-16
Pamela Ann Hailes		2020-03-04

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MOUNT BURES VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2024

This has been another busy year in the Village Hall as it seeks to meet the needs of the community it serves. None of this would have been possible without the dedicated service and assistance of the Trustees and Volunteers to whom a deep gratitude is owed by all in the Village. The lease was finally signed, after nearly 5 years of being caught somewhere between the Diocesan authorities and their Solicitors. The cost of the lease at £6000 has been shared between the Village Church and Hall, for which the Village Hall is most grateful. It should be noted that this very close relationship between the Church and Hall works well for the wellbeing and benefit of the whole Village and reflects the desire of both parties to work together.

A programme of refurbishment continues, using self help and locally drawn professionals to keep down costs. This has resulted in the refurbishment of the Ladies Toilet and the Front Door. Plans are developing for the conversion of the Men's toilet into a disabled toilet. The surrounding wall (formerly the School play ground) is in urgent need of brick replacement and pointing. Quotes have been obtained and a grant is being sought, as, without one the costs would exhaust the Hall's reserves.

There has been a welcome increase in the use of the Hall for such activities as band rehearsals, ballroom dances, paranormal enthusiast's meetings (aka Ghost Busters) and a dog party. The rates are kept very competitive and there is ample parking for cars.

The Charity faces three challenges. The 30% hike in Electricity prices has reduced our income, as Yoga and Pilates both require warm rooms and consumption has increased. The second challenge is obtaining grants. The generosity of other Charities is wonderful, but their small pots are sometimes unable to cover all applications, and necessary projects may have to be shelved. The last challenge is to find new Trustees. People live busy lives and do no longer seem to have the time to offer up to public service. The current Trustees are all willing to continue, but age and gravity are taking their toll!

Notwithstanding, the Charity continues to fulfil its purpose and has fresh plans to improve the Hall and its activities.

MOUNT BURES VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS SUMMARY 2024

	<u>INCOME</u>
Hall Hire	£799
Parish Council	£300
Connections Coffee Morning	£862
Dog Training	£487
Yoga/Pilates	£670
Council Elections	£350
Fund Raising Events	£755
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>£4223</u>

	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>
Electricity	£854
Sewage	£481
Licence	£70
Insurance	£552
Cleaning	£450
Plumbing	£20
Maintenance and Garden	£502
Ladies Toilet refurbishment	£763
Food	£98
Lease	£2867
Miscellaneous Expenses	£1280
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>£7937</u>
<u>2024 PROFIT/LOSS</u>	<u>- £3714</u>

ACCOUNTS SUMMARY 2023

	<u>INCOME</u>
Hall hire	£307
Parish Council	£275
Connections Coffee Morning	£723
Dog Training	£974
Yoga/Pilates	£673
CBC Elections	£350
Fund Raising Events	£757
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>£4059</u>

	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>
Electricity	£642
Sewage	£452
Licence	£70
Insurance	£631
Cleaning	£480
Plumbing	£290
Maintenance and Garden	£133
New Light Fittings	£396
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>£3094</u>
<u>2023 PROFIT/LOSS</u>	<u>+ £965</u>

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MOUNT BURES VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2023

This has been a very busy year as the Committee has continued to meet the needs of the Community and has begun the programme of refurbishment of the Hall. The lighting, soffits, facings, water heater have all been changed, with a generous grant from Enover towards the costs of the soffits and facings. County Broadband have installed a free internet hub in the Hall. At last the lease with the Diocese of Chelmsford has been renewed at quadruple the original costing and after five years of inexplicable delay by the Church solicitors.

Income continues to be generated by a mixture of hall hirings, principally for Community Activities, such as Yoga, Pilates and Dog Training, a number of fund raising events organised and run by the small Committee, and some private bookings. Hire costs have been kept highly competitive, and a large car park improves practicality of the hall as a venue. Income generation has recovered to pre COVID levels, although attendance at Communal events is still a little lower as the sociability of the community is still recovering.

The Charity has operated at a loss this year, but this is due to funding of necessary refurbishments where grants were not available. The finances are stable and a reserve policy of £5000 has been introduced, with which to cover severe emergencies. The stability of the finances does depend on continued support of the full range of activities, and efforts made by the Committee to attract more users

The next year will be occupied with continuing to serve the needs of the Community and refurbishing the hall, using grants wherever possible. It is planned to refurbish the kitchen, introduce more eco-friendly heating and a disabled toilet. None of this would be possible without the dedication and enthusiasm of all the Trustees, to whom should be extended the warm gratitude of the whole Community.

MOUNT BURES VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS SUMMARY 2023

INCOME

Hall Hire	£357
Parish Council	£275
Connections Coffee Mornings	£823
Dog Training	£875
Yoga/Pilates	£455
Fund Raising	£879
Grants	£5000
<u>TOTAL</u>	£8664

EXPENDITURE

Electricity	£478
Sewage Treatment	£431
Licence Fee	£70
Insurance	£552
Cleaning	£480
Sofits and Facing replacement	£6950
Movem of electricity Cable	£1112
Garden Flowers/ work	£113
Electrical Work	£60
Lease	£2750
<u>TOTAL</u>	£10246

2023 PROFIT/LOSS -£1582

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ANNUAL ACCOUNTS SUMMARY 2022

INCOME

Hall Hire	£130
Parish Council	£40
Connections Coffee Mornings	£373
Dog Training	£660
Yoga/Pilates	£405
Other Hire	£130
Fund Raising	£1228
<u>TOTAL</u>	£2836

EXPENDITURE

Electricity	£1644
Sewage	£431
Licence	£70
Insurance	£620
Cleaning	£270
Survey	£750
<u>TOTAL</u>	£3785

2022 PROFIT/LOSS -£949

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COMMITTEE
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The year has been dominated by the need to renew our lease with The Church, to re-establish community activities and to make a start on the refurbishment of the Hall.

The building is owned by The Diocese of Chelmsford and efforts to renew the lease started in 2019. COVID has interrupted these efforts, but the Committee continue to encourage the Church solicitors into action.

A further influence of COVID has been to change peoples routines and social habits. Breaking these isolationist tendencies has not been easy, but a number of activities will take place aimed at returning previously loyal participants to the fold, and reopening that vital social contact.

A survey of the building has been undertaken to help the Committee to assess what needs to be done by way of refurbishment to the structure and facilities. This survey will provide the professional expertise to allow a priority list of jobs to be made, and thereafter the seeking of grants to fund these repairs.

Although there has been an operating loss of the Village Hall over the past two years, measures are in place to restore the Hall to profit and continue its important outreach into the community. The Committee are optimistic about the future.

MOUNT BURES VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS SUMMARY 2022

	<u>INCOME</u>
Hall Hire	£130
Mount Bures Parish Council	£40
Connections	£373
Dog Training	£660
Yoga/Pilates	£405
Other Hire	£130
Donations	-
Fund Raising	£1228
Misc/Other	-
<u>TOTAL</u>	£2836

	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>
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2022 PROFIT/LOSS -£949

MOUNT BURES VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS SUMMARY 2022

	<u>INCOME</u>
Hall Hire	£40
Parish Council	-
Connections	-
Dog Training	£225
Yoga/Pilates	£300
CBC Elections	£80
Other Hire	-
Donations	-
Fund Raising	-
<u>TOTAL</u>	£645

	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>
Electricity	£429
CBC Sewage Treatment	£284
RCCE Membership	-
CBC Licence Fee	£70
Insurance	-
Cleaning	£110
Repairs /Maintenance	£115
<u>TOTAL</u>	£1008

2021 PROFIT/LOSS -£363

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2020
30 March 2021

Period start date To
Period end date

Charity name: **MOUNT BURES VILLAGE HALL**

Charity registration number: **1188329**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Provision and maintenance of a Village Hall for the use of the inhabitants of Mount Bures
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Provision of activities for villagers; Coffee Mornings, Yoga classes, Pilates classes, dog training, Village Social events. External hirings
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by The Charity Commission on Public Benefit and have complied with it.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The Charity is not in a position to make grants
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	The Charity is not in a position to conduct social investment
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers have ensured that the Village Hall is prepared and cleaned for each activity, and cleared up afterwards. They also

		help to organise and run the Village Social events
Other		-

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	This past year has been ebset with COVID, which has reduced the use of the Village Hall to only three months activity. The Village Hall Committee were deeply conscious of the risk of spreading the disease, and therefore closed down the Hall for all activities to reflect lock down. The Committee did stay in touch, by telephone, with the vulnerable members of the village to keep an eye on them.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Due to COVID two Village Events were cancelled with a consequent loss of income and fun. This period could not be used to carry out refurbishment due to the lockdown
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	There was very limited opportunity to raise any income due to COVID and lockdown, and income was therefore substantially reduced.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	The Charity has no investments
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Income was significantly reduced by 40% whilst expenditure was unchanged
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Charity holds £9498 in a bank account. This is held, principally, to pay for the legal costs of a new lease
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£9,498.00
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	-
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	-
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No. The issue of the new lease is proceeding, and by using the same solicitor as the owner we hope to reduce costs

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Village events, routine classes and external hirings
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N.A.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	A lack of interest in Community activities, leading to a lack of use. Finding additional Trustees
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		CIO (Foundation Structure)
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO (Foundation Structure)
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	An appeal is put out to village members by the Trustees asking for them to join the Trustees for a limited period of time.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Trustees are referred to the the Charity Commission`s Guide for Trustees. They also attend meetings as an observer.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N.A.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N.A.
Other		N.A.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Mount Bures Village Hall
Other name the charity uses	-
Registered charity number	1188329

Charity's principal address	Mount Bures Village Hall Broomfield Cottage, Hall Road, Mount Bures, Bures, Suffolk, CO8 5AJ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Paul Douglas Street	Chairperson	-
2	Pamela Ann Hailes	Member	-
3	Richard Charles Gould	Secretary	-
4	Andrew George Colchester	Member	-
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Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	-	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	-
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	-
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	-

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name
-	

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

-

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

-

Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

R C GOULD

Full name(s)

Richard Charles Gould

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Secretary

Date

01/26/22

Mount Bures Village Hall Management Committee
Annual Accounts Summary - 2020

<u>INCOME</u>			
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Hall Hire	Mount Bures Parish Council	£	-	
	Connections / Harvest Supper	£	-	
	Dog Training	£	410.00	
	Pilates	£	50.00	
	CBC - Elections	£	300.00	
	Other Hire	£	210.00	£ 970.00
Donations	Mount Bures Church Fund + Misc.	£	-	
Fund Raising	Bingo Night 25/01/20		£ 1,011.63	
Misc.	Other	£	-	

TOTAL INCOME	£ 1,981.63
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<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
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Electricity	£	387.00
CBC - Sewage Treatment	£	284.12
RCCE Annual Membership	£	-
CBC Licence Fees	£	70.00
Protect & Detect	£	-
Premises Insurance	£	-
Cleaning	£	180.00
Repairs / Maintenance	£	388.50
Other	£	-

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£ 1,309.62
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2020 PROFIT / LOSS	£ 672.01
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Mount Bures Village Hall Management Committee
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<u>INCOME</u>			
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Hall Hire	Mount Bures Parish Council	£	-	
	Connections / Harvest Supper	£	290.00	
	Dog Training	£	775.00	
	Pilates	£	-	
	CBC - Elections	£	600.00	
	Other Hire	£	235.00	£ 1,900.00
Donations	Mount Bures Church Fund + Misc.		£ 280.00	
Fund Raising	Bingo Night 16/03/19		£ 1,055.43	
Misc.	Other		£ -	

TOTAL INCOME	£ 3,235.43
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<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
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Electricity	£	110.00
CBC - Sewage Treatment	£	284.12
RCCE Annual Membership	£	60.00
CBC Licence Fees	£	70.00
Protect & Detect	£	83.10
Premises Insurance	£	500.00
Cleaning	£	-
Repairs / Maintenance	£	-
Other	£	21.50

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£ 1,128.72
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2019 PROFIT / LOSS	£ 2,106.71
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