

Trustees Report

The committee had met seven times in the period since the last AGM: in May, July, September, November, January, March, and April.

Mark Rowell spoke of the range of activities that had taken place since he took over as Chairman from Pat Varney in July 2022. Mark thanked the Vice Chairman, Ian Funnell, and his own wife, Brenda, for their support and extended that thanks to all the other Trustees for the support they had given him. The celebration of the Ninetieth Anniversary of Fetcham Village Hall on Saturday 20th May had been a success, thanks to the work of those users who had set up stalls and the performances of the user groups in the hall during the afternoon. Dance First, the Helen Stevens Dance Group and Cliff and Christine Jordan from the Raffles Tea Dance Group had provided the excellent entertainment. More will be discussed below.

The main improvements to the halls include the new electric cooker in the Large Kitchen, the new curtain mover for the stage and the improvements to the stage audio system. Mark Rowell had improved the markings in the car park before our anniversary weekend following in the steps of our late colleague John Bull who previously laid out the markings.

Mark finished by making a plea for support for the routine maintenance in the Summer Outage from Monday 31st July to Sunday 12th August. Help in tidying cupboards, painting the new ducting in Large Kitchen, adjusting curtains and applying preservative to the new chain link fence posts was needed.

The Treasurer, Christine Attwood, reported that 2022 returned to normal after two very unpredictable years when we didn't know if the hall would be open from one month to the next! Having received £28289 in Business Rates Support Grants from Mole Valley District Council during those two years, we were in a healthy position as we went into 2022.

Income

2022 was a busy year with lettings back to those levels last seen in 2019. Our regular hirers brought in £36725, which is approximately 85% of our income. One-off events such as parties, socials etc brought in £6283. Together that gave the hall a record income of £43008. Naturally part of this is due to increases in fees during the year, especially the additional increase made in September for our regular hirers to pay for the larger energy bills which had started to come in. By doing this early we hope we can avoid more rate rises in 2023.

Interest on our business saver account gave us an additional income of £41.62.

For our one-off hires, we introduced a deposit system, whereby they paid £50 or £100 depending on the type of event, which would be returned after the booking as long as the facilities were left clean and tidy. It is stated that this must be claimed back within three months of the event, otherwise it will be donated to the village hall charity. Looking back at the year's bookings, we had a total of £850 that was not claimed!

Unfortunately, we lost a couple of our longer serving regulars, Fetcham Bridge Club who had been with us for over thirty years and the Friday Afternoon Badminton Club. Therefore, we have weekly daytime slots available in the Main Hall. We have not had many enquiries for weekly hires, though those we have had were looking for evenings, which we do not currently have available.

Expenditure

With regards to expenditure in 2022, one of our main expenses was the installation of a new electric cooker in the main kitchen, which cost just over £5000. We also upgraded our sound system and microphones. Unfortunately, we had issues with our Main Hall boiler and parts and repairs cost nearly £1500. As expected, we saw an increase of £2000 on our utility bills, with the rise in gas prices from April. During the summer our Quinquennial Inspection was carried out at a cost of £4500. Our total expenditure came in at £30991. Giving us a surplus in 2022 of £14000. Approximately £6000 of this is for the work improving our stage curtain arrangements, which was initially meant to have been completed in 2021. Other profits will enable us to carry out necessary works as per the Quinquennial Inspection Report.

FETCHAM VILLAGE HALL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2022

RECEIPTS

	2022	2021
Lettings	£43,008.05	£21,806.75
Other Income	£0.00	£261.12
Grants	£0.00	£16,955.00
Interest	£41.62	£4.28
Deposits	£2,270.50	£0.00
	<u>£45,320.17</u>	<u>£39,027.15</u>

PAYMENTS

	2022	2021
Maintenance	£14,117.91	£19,469.87
Utilities	£7,566.16	£5,409.40
Special Projects	£0.00	£816.00
Administration	£134.67	£355.55
Non Maintenance	£6,925.78	£504.00
Refunds/Unpaid cheques	£2,246.00	£1,114.50
	<u>£30,990.52</u>	<u>£27,669.32</u>

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT SUMMARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2022

	2022	2021
Total Receipts For Year	£45,320.17	£39,027.15
Total Payments For Year	<u>£30,990.52</u>	<u>£27,669.32</u>
Net Receipts	£14,329.65	£11,357.83
Bank Funds Brought Forward	<u>£71,413.00</u>	<u>£60,055.17</u>
Bank Funds Carried Forward	£85,742.65	£71,413.00
	2022	2021
Liabilities, those due within 1 year	NIL	NIL
Liabilities, those payable after 1 year	NIL	NIL



Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name

FETCHAM VILLAGE HALL

On accounts for the year ended

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Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed

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Date

23 MARCH 2023

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