

WATERFORD RECREATION COMMITTEE

England & Wales · Charity number 1195806

Details

Status Registered

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Registered 2021-09-14

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Activities

Objects: TO HOLD AND MANAGE WATERFORD VILLAGE HALL AND GROUNDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE VILLAGE OF WATERFORD AND HERTFORDSHIRE AND SURROUNDING AREA WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS TO PROVIDE FACILITIES FOR PHYSICAL AND MENTAL ACTIVITY AND RECREATION AND SOCIAL, MORAL AND INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT.

Activities: Administration of local Village Hall in Waterford, to provide a community service for the village. Arranging community events to fundraise for the local facilities regularly throughout the year

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£23,596	£10,828	-	-
2024-03-31	£19,155	£12,017	-	-
2023-03-31	£17,775	£11,800	-	-
2022-03-31	£8,193	£8,861	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Barbara Perry	Chair	2021-09-14
DAWN CROWDY		2021-09-14
JUNE HOUNSLOW		2021-09-14
Joanna Willis		2021-09-14
Peter Crossley		2021-09-14
Rodney Willis FRICS		2021-09-14
SHIRLEY HOWELLS		2021-09-14
Sarah Baldwin		2021-09-14

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WRC Chair Report AGM Thursday 12th June 2025



Introduction

Welcome to our 2024/2025 AGM, lets begin with the first item on the agenda;

1. Apologies:

2. Minutes of the last AGM:

I hope you have all read and digested last year's minutes. I now need a proposer to accept the minutes from Waterford Recreation Committee's 2024 AGM.

And a seconder.

Thank you.

3. The Chairs Report by Lacey:

It's been another exciting year for the WRC. As always, we've come together to create what we hope is a celebration of fun and community spirit. As you know, a great deal of hard work goes into making these events happen, and I'm continually amazed by the teamwork and dedication of every committee member. Without that commitment, the WRC wouldn't be what it is today.

So let's take a look back over the year. We start in May last year, when we hosted a Village May Day Picnic, inviting all villagers to join us for an afternoon of food, music, and fun. Lloyd and Jess provided the live music, while everyone enjoyed ice creams and a refreshing Pimms or beer from the bar. The children had a great time on the bouncy castle, and thankfully the weather held out for us.

The day ended with a now-annual tug of war; High Road versus the rest of the village. It was a close competition, but the rest of the village pulled through as the overall winners! Although this is a non-profit event, its true purpose is to bring us all together and celebrate everything our wonderful village has to offer.

The beginning of the summer marked the biggest change this past year with the introduction of the first Village Pop-Up Pub, run and hosted by our wonderful neighbours, Mike Shirley and Elenor Francis. I think we can all agree it was a very welcome addition to the village and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The evening brings the community together over a gin and tonic, a cold glass of wine, or a pint of your favourite ale, while enjoying conversation with neighbours and friends. There's always high demand for the bar snacks on offer, and the good times often continue long into the night. The first was such a success we followed on with another in August.

A special thank you goes to Mike and Elenor, and their families, who work incredibly hard each time to bring these Pop-Up Pubs to life — we are extremely grateful.

In July we entered Hertford In Bloom once again we were delighted to receive First Prize for our category of Best Community Group despite the pesky onslaught of slugs! Once again we had a gorgeous display around the hall thanks to the amazing Jane Guinn and of course all of the hardworking watering team! We are entering again this year and the hard work has already begun. If you wish to get involved please let me know and we can pass your details onto Jane.

The end of the summer saw the return of our Summer Fete, and it turned out to be a lovely day. Although not quite as warm as the year before, the sun still made an appearance. The dog show was as popular as ever, with lots of different breeds from around the village taking part and competing for their rosettes.

We also had the return of the Helter Skelter, which remained a firm favourite. The BBQ and bar were busy throughout the day, keeping the cooks and bar staff on their toes. All of the stalls did well, especially the craft, plant, and produce stall, which had plenty of handmade items on offer.

Music on the day came from *Why Not*, who created a great atmosphere, followed by a few songs from the Stapleford School Choir. Overall, it was a successful and enjoyable event that brought the community together and raised an impressive £_____ for the new Village Hall.

Onto October where we held our ever-popular Quiz Night, hosted this year by Shirley and Steve. It was a fantastic evening filled with laughter, a healthy dose of competition, and a well-earned win for the top team.

November brought another successful Bonfire Night, with our child- and animal-friendly fireworks creating a lovely display alongside the roaring bonfire. It's always one of our most popular events, and this year saw full attendance, the village and those from surrounding areas really turned out to enjoy the evening.

Thanks to the hard work and careful planning by the committee, everything ran smoothly, and the BBQ was busy keeping everyone well fed and warm. It was another great success, helping us maintain our reputation for putting on one of the best firework nights around!

To close out 2024, we had my personal favourite event, our Christmas Bazaar. Building on the format from previous years, we created a cosy 'Christmas Café' atmosphere, complete

with warm mince pies, mulled wine, homemade sausage rolls and a very special visit from Father Christmas himself.

Alongside the festive spirit, attendees enjoyed browsing our beautiful craft stall, featuring handmade products from our talented craft team — some of our very own village ladies. The raffle was the busiest in recent memory, with everyone eager to win the gorgeous hamper and other fantastic prizes. It was a wonderful way to bring the community together as the year came to a close.

Into this year, in February, we held a one-off St. Valentine's Day Pop-Up Pub. It proved to be a popular way to celebrate, with many locals coming to the village hall for drinks, nibbles, and great company. This event was led by Mike and Freddie Shirley, who worked tirelessly to stock the bar, decorate the hall beautifully, and make sure everyone had a wonderful time.

March this year showcased what Waterford does best — coming together as a community for our Book Sale Coffee Morning. It was a lovely chance for residents to catch up and chat over coffee and cake, and maybe pick up a book or two. This simple gathering proved to be a huge success, reminding us how something so straightforward can create something truly wonderful.

Earlier this year, we were saddened to hear of the passing of one of our long-standing residents, Sue Bonfield. Sue was a founding member of the Waterford Recreational Committee and served as a dedicated volunteer for many years, giving so much to Waterford throughout her life in the village. She is greatly missed — not only for her loyal service to the community but also for her wonderful friendship, kindness, and, of course, her sense of humour. To honour Sue's contribution, the WRC has installed a memorial plaque in the wildflower bank, a small but lasting tribute to someone who meant so much to us all.

And that brings this year's activities to a close. However, I do want to mention a few upcoming events. The dates for this summer's Pop-Up Pubs are Friday 27th June and Friday 15th August. If you're able to help, whether that's behind the bar, with setting up, or clearing away, please do let Mike, Elenor or me know.

Looking further ahead, Sunday 14th September will be our Village Summer Fete. Once again, we'll be looking for volunteers to help make this fantastic event possible. If you're able to lend a hand, or if you have any fresh ideas to bring to the table, please speak to me. You don't need to be on the committee to get involved, everyone is welcome.

As with all our events, none of this would be possible without the support and enthusiasm of both the Committee and the residents who give up their time to help and attend. For that, we are truly grateful.

Thank you.

Now onto item 4 on the agenda, the Financial Report delivered by Treasurer Jo Willis.

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5. Election of Officers:

Re-election of WRC Members:

Chair: Lacey Owen

Treasurer: Jo Willis (Trustee)

Secretary: Shirley Howells (Trustee)

Booking Secretary: Diane Shattock

June Hounslow (Trustee)

Peter Crossley (Trustee)

Rod Willis (Trustee)

Jean Wildi (WI Rep)

Dawn Crowdy (Trustee)

Barbara Perry (Trustee)

Caroline Barnes

Trevor Chamberlain

Helen Melville

Sarah Baldwin (Trustee)

New member joining:

Mike Shirley

Our constitution requires that new members be proposed and seconded from the floor:

Proposed:

Seconded:

6. Confirmation of the above Trustees

Even if you do not feel you can join the committee, we are always grateful for volunteers to help at our main events and to bring forward any new ideas! Please make yourself known after the meeting if you want to contribute.

7. Appointment of Independent Examiner – Over to Jo Willis

8. The new hall redevelopment project update - Over to Rod Willis

9. AOB and Matters Arising

So that completes our business of this evening. Thank you for coming and I would like to invite you to join us for a glass of wine.

Management Report

Waterford Recreation Committee
For the period ended 31 March 2025

Prepared on
14 November 2025

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Statement of Activity

April 2024 - March 2025

	Total
INCOME	
Bonfire Night	2,086.04
Charitable activities	1,116.83
Christmas Fete	401.00
Easter	649.83
Non-Profit Income	291.78
Pop up Pub	1,324.26
Quiz night	829.29
Services	14,095.46
Summer Fete	3,017.37
Village Picnic	-215.87
Total Income	23,595.99
TOTAL	
23,595.99	
EXPENDITURES	
Advertising/Promotional	100.00
Event	373.70
Hall Maintenance	3,100.78
Insurances	1,786.36
Office/General Administrative Expenses	920.88
Phone Costs	332.13
Playing Field	750.00
Utilities	3,464.21
Total Expenditures	10,828.06
NET OPERATING INCOME	12,767.93
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	£12,767.93

Statement of Financial Position

As of March 31, 2025

	Total
FIXED ASSET	
Total Fixed Asset	
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	
Co-operative	17,490.70
Cooperative Savings	69,489.61
Paypal	200.00
Petty Cash	781.41
Total Cash at bank and in hand	87,961.72
DEBTORS	
Debtors	288.00
Total Debtors	288.00
CURRENT ASSETS	
Stock Asset	176.69
Total Current Assets	176.69
NET CURRENT ASSETS	88,426.41
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	88,426.41
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	88,426.41
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£88,426.41
CHARITY FUNDS	
Opening Balance Equity	33,361.50
Retained Earnings	42,296.98
Surplus/(Deficit)	12,767.93
Total Charity funds	£88,426.41

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WRC Chair Report AGM

Thursday 20th June 2024



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3. The Chairs Report by Lacey:

It has been an exciting first year for me in my position as the new Chair. With extremely big shoes to fill, I hope I have led this year with the integrity, compassion, resilience and strengths that I learned from my wonderful predecessor and friend, Barbara.

Firstly, heading back to July last year when we entered Hertford In Bloom and won first prize in the Community Group. Once again we had a gorgeous display around the hall thanks to the amazing team of Jane Guinn, Tess Gatens and Brian and Linda Wilkerson and of course all of the hardworking watering team!

Another year where the hard work and dedication didn't go unnoticed and it is all thanks to the wonderful team who put this together, dedicated their own time and produced floral displays and gardens to make us proud to live in such a picturesque village.

We are entering again this year and the hard work has already begun. If you wish to get involved please let me know and we can pass your details onto Jane.

In August last year, we replaced our old goalpost with a new goal fit for a training ground! I'm sure all those who have a young David Beckham or Jill Scott appreciate the time and effort that was put in to ensuring the safety and quality was fulfilled for our budding footballers. It is rarely seen not being played with so it was money worth investing.

The end of the summer saw the return of our famous Summer Fete! And what a day it was! The sun shone beautifully for us with it reaching 30 degrees. The dog show was a huge success as always, bringing different breeds from around the village together to compete to win their rosettes. The Helter Skelter was a new addition and a popular one at that! The BBQ

and bar queue never seemed to stop and the ice creams were a lovely treat to cool us down. Each stall did incredibly well with lots of beautiful handmade crafts sold on our craft, plant and produce stall! The whole day was enjoyed alongside a wonderful performance from Peter and Pat and their fabulous tunes followed by a few songs from Stapleford School Choir. Altogether the day was a great success that was enjoyed by all and showed Waterford at its best raising a substantial amount for the new Village hall at £3031!

In October we held our always popular Quiz Night hosted by Jo and Rod which was a huge success with an evening full of laughter, competitiveness and a fish and chips supper.

November saw another successful Bonfire Night with our child and animal-friendly fireworks creating a wonderful display alongside our huge bonfire! The night is always one of our most popular events and the arrangements and organisation from the committee on the evening ensured it went as smoothly as possible and was another triumph keeping up our reputation of one of the best firework nights around!

This all was followed by my personal favourite event to end 2023 with our Christmas Bazaar. This year we changed the format slightly with it being more of a 'Christmas Café' feel with warm mince pies and mulled wine on offer and a visit from Father Christmas himself. Alongside the warm atmosphere, attendees had the chance to buy from our beautiful craft stall including products homemade by our very own craft team and very talented ladies.

March this year saw what Waterford does best and got together as a community for our Book Sale Coffee Morning. This gave residents the chance to catch up and chat over a coffee and a cake and the opportunity to buy a book or two. This proved a huge success and we will definitely be running another again soon!

As Spring arrived our Easter Bazaar took place. As with the Christmas Bazaar, we changed the format slightly to more of an 'Easter Café' selling crafts and giving those that attended the chance to enter our raffle, take part in the chocolate tombola and the kids do some Easter crafts and enjoy an egg hunt all washed down with a hot cross bun and a cup of tea!

Following on from the success of the previous years' Jubilee Picnic, we decided to host a Village May Day Picnic this year with all the villagers invited to join us for an afternoon of picnics, music from Lloyd and Jess, ice creams and a Pimms or Beer from the bar. Children enjoyed the bouncy castle and the weather managed to hold out for us. The day finished with a now annual tradition of a tug of war with the High Road against the rest of the Village. The competition was tight with the rest of the village our overall winners! Although it is a non-profitable event, it was, as it should be, about bringing the villagers together and enjoying what our wonderful village has to offer.

And this brings the years activities to a close. However, I must mention next Friday we are trialling our first ever Waterford Pop Up Pub where we hope you will all attend. The Village Pub is open from 6 to 9pm and it is being run by our wonderful neighbours and fellow Waterforders, Eleanor and Mike. Any help and support is always welcome so please let me know if you wish to help at all on the night and I will pass on your details.

As with all events, these are not possible without the help and support of not only the Committee, but the residents willing to give up their time to volunteer and attend and for this, we are extremely grateful. Thank you.

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Waterford Recreation Committee
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Prepared on
15 October 2024

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Profit and Loss

April 2023 - March 2024

	Total
INCOME	
Bonfire Night	2,911.25
Charitable activities	1,028.22
Christmas Fete	655.43
Easter	322.67
Quiz night	460.85
Services	10,783.08
Summer Fete	3,031.65
Village Picnic	-37.90
Total Income	19,155.25
TOTAL	19,155.25
EXPENDITURES	
Advertising/Promotional	67.00
Event	408.64
Gifts	235.00
Hall Maintenance	3,732.68
Insurances	1,736.51
Office/General Administrative Expenses	503.75
Phone Costs	329.16
Playing Field	1,840.94
Utilities	3,163.14
Total Expenditures	12,016.82
NET OPERATING INCOME	7,138.43
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	£7,138.43

Balance Sheet

As of March 31, 2024

	Total
FIXED ASSET	
Total Fixed Asset	
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	
Co-operative	70,736.44
Land Fund	2,178.31
Paypal	200.00
Petty Cash	669.04
Total Cash at bank and in hand	73,783.79
DEBTORS	
Debtors	1,752.00
Total Debtors	1,752.00
CURRENT ASSETS	
Stock Asset	176.69
Total Current Assets	176.69
NET CURRENT ASSETS	75,712.48
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	75,712.48
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	75,712.48
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£75,712.48
CHARITY FUNDS	
Opening Balance Equity	33,361.50
Retained Earnings	35,212.55
Surplus/(Deficit)	7,138.43
Total Charity funds	£75,712.48

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WATERFORD RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Waterford Village Hall

Thursday 21st July, 2023

Minutes

PRESENT: Barbara Perry, Lacey Owen, Shirley Howells, Jean Wildi, June Hounslow, Jo Willis, Rod Willis, Peter Crossley, Trevor Chamberlain Dianne Shattock, John Oakins,

APOLOGIES: Dawn Crowdy

1	PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES	
	The minutes of the previous AGM were agreed to be a fair reflection of the meeting	Proposed by Sarah Baldwin and seconded by June Hounslow
2	CHAIR REPORT ON 2023 ACTIVITIES	
	Barbara Perry delivered a detailed review of our village activities organised by WRC over the previous twelve months.	Barbara Perry
3	FINANCIAL REPORT	
	Jo Willis presented the WRC accounts which showed that our annual income for the last financial year was £17800 and our annual net income was £6000. Hall hire looked as if it was less than the previous year but this was due to a covid grant that had been received in 2021. There has been an increase in operating costs mainly due to utilities, but hall hire costs have been raised to counteract this. Other notable financial news is that we changed our bank account due to charges on the previous account. Co-op Bank do not charge for their services. The accounts have been independently examined and signed off.	Jo Willis

	Steve Baldwin proposed accepting the account of the finances, Joan Cheeseman seconded.	Steve Baldwin Joan Cheeseman
4	ELECTION OF OFFICERS	
	<p>Sadly, Barbara Perry had decided to resign as Chair of the WRC after 8 years in the role. The committee invited nominations for the Chair of the WRC and there was only one nominee, Lacey Owen who was proposed was Sue Bonfield and seconded by Jean Wildi and Lacey was duly voted into the role. The whole committee welcomed her appointment; Lacey has the wholehearted support of all the members, and we look forward to working with her.</p> <p>All other committee members were nominated for re-election by Sarah Baldwin and seconded by June Hounslow and duly re-elected.</p> <p>A new member of the village community, Caroline Barnes, volunteered to join committee. She was nominated to become a member by Peter Crossley and seconded by Diane Shattock and was unanimously welcomed on board.</p>	<p>Sue Bonfield, Jean Wildi</p> <p>Sarah Baldwin, June Hounslow</p> <p>Peter Crossley, Diane Shattock</p>
5	NEW HALL UPDATE	
	<p>Rod Willis reported back on the latest news from the Planning Committee who are broadly sympathetic to our plan to build on Green Belt but requested some clarifications on some issues : Chris Shattock researched sustainability measures for planning requirements, such as electric charging points, a rainwater harvesting scheme and integrated solar panels to reduce our electricity consumption and this was sent to our planning consultants and then to the Planning Department.</p> <p>There is also the possibility that the flood risk assessment will need to be repeated as the previous one has expired.</p> <p>The lease on the Village Hall and Village Green are in the process of being renegotiated; after a preliminary discussion with the Church Warden, the proposition was sent to the diocesan solicitor. The Diocese require a surveyors report on the proposed agreement, which has been delayed due to the ill-health of their surveyor. An initial report is expected soon from their surveyors.</p> <p>Finally, a new Limited Liability Charity has been established as Waterford Recreation Committee.</p>	Rod Willis
9	AOB AND MATTERS ARISING	
	Shirley Howells delivered a speech thanking Barbara Perry for her tireless service to WRC and the village, and Barbara was presented with an original painting by June Hounslow as a thank you gift.	Shirley Howells

1 0 .	FUTURE DATES FOR THE DIARY	
	Village Summer Fair Sunday 10th September	
1 1 .	NEXT MEETING	
	Thursday 13th July, at .30pm in the Village Hall	

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Prepared on
4 April 2024

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Profit and Loss

April 2022 - March 2023

	Total
INCOME	
Balloon Race	12.00
Bonfire Night	1,660.03
Charitable activities	612.27
Christmas Fete	669.31
Coronation Picnic	-21.00
Donations and legacies	3,500.00
Easter	417.66
Plat Jubilee	180.23
Quiz night	851.40
Services	10,030.75
Summer Fete	-137.57
Total Income	17,775.08
TOTAL	
	17,775.08
EXPENDITURES	
Advertising/Promotional	56.00
Event	559.48
Fundraising New Hall	152.00
Gifts	95.99
Hall Maintenance	3,401.75
Insurances	1,388.93
New Village Hall	71.82
Office/General Administrative Expenses	773.20
Phone Costs	235.20
Playing Field	1,208.80
Utilities	3,856.61
Total Expenditures	11,799.78
NET OPERATING INCOME	5,975.30
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	£5,975.30

Balance Sheet

As of March 31, 2023

	Total
FIXED ASSET	
Total Fixed Asset	
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	
Co-operative	64,214.42
Land Fund	2,140.41
Paypal	392.09
Petty Cash	352.44
Total Cash at bank and in hand	67,099.36
DEBTORS	
Debtors	1,298.00
Total Debtors	1,298.00
CURRENT ASSETS	
Stock Asset	176.69
Total Current Assets	176.69
NET CURRENT ASSETS	68,574.05
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	68,574.05
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	68,574.05
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£68,574.05
CHARITY FUNDS	
Opening Balance Equity	33,361.50
Retained Earnings	29,237.25
Surplus/(Deficit)	5,975.30
Total Charity funds	£68,574.05

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Introduction

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Apologies: Lacey Owen

#2. Minutes of the last AGM.

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Item 3: the Chairs Report

Barbara

It has been another strange year of rearrangements, cancellations and reinventions. We had planned a picnic in July 2021 to celebrate coming out

of lockdown and then the weather and resurging Covid defeated us and we had to cancel.

But one thing that's clear about our village community is that we are an inventive, and ingenious bunch. So last September, we put our heads together and came up with a new event – just for last year as a replacement for our Pandemic affected village Fete we held a Bric a Brac sale : which was a great success! The Bric a Brac sale gave us all the chance to have a clear out and donate all our unwanted items and as 'one man's meat is another man's poison' so it proved to be with our sale! Local villagers were able to pick up some bargains and also benefit the Village fundraising to the tune of £1421, which was an amazing total despite a disappointing footfall on the day, being in direct competition with Hertford Castle re-enactment day.

However it was an amazing example of the community coming together. All friends and neighbours turned out in force to erect gazebos, carry, sort, price and sell, creating a joyful occasion!

In November and December events were planned and once again Waterford benefitted from numbers of volunteers supporting our fundraising and social activities, enabling us to raise a total of £1671.73 in the last two months of the year!

Bonfire Night was a sell out and went with a bang But this year it was a bang with a difference, because for the first time the professional firework display was child and animal friendly with low noise fireworks, created to be an exciting spectacle rather than a terrifying racket! The night was be filled with the excited 'oohs and ahhs' of the crowds and the snap, crackle and pop of the colourful fireworks but no bangs! So it was another triumph and also raised a total profit of £1,582.84.

Sadly our **Christmas Bazaar** was another casualty of the pandemic as it was felt to be too great a risk to meet together in a confined space; however our wonderful crafters still raised nearly £130 with a range of decorations – chocolate snowmen, dried orange decorations, pompom snowmen, bottle lanterns, and Christmas cards which were sold online, through our Facebook page. Many thanks to those crafters, the cake makers, the hall and tree decorators and everyone who contributed to the village life in those strange times. And if anyone out there is of a creative disposition, and would lie to join

our crafting group, do give us your name at the end of the meeting. There is often (that is always) wine involved!

On Saturday 5th February, we did what Waterford does best; got together as a community, for a **Mental Health Awareness Coffee Morning**. This was part of the Mind national 'Time to Talk' initiative, in partnership with The Co-op, to encourage supportive communities to come together to have conversations about mental health.

Our event, attended by a number of local residents and some from further afield, was an opportunity to hear a talk by local headteacher and Wellness Coach, Emma Flawn about strategies we can all use to monitor and improve our mental health, and also meet up with friends old and new and have a cuppa. Refreshments were donated by our local Sele Farm Co-op and local residents Emma Flawn and Linda Wilkerson, whose cakes were delicious! After such a positive event it was decided to repeat this again - so watch out for the announcement of the next one!

With Spring in the air in Waterford, once again, it was a busy time in the village; our **Easter Bazaar** took place despite our volunteer workforce being hit by Covid, bereavements and other unforeseen events and we managed to deliver a reduced but well attended community get-together.

Our **Easter Balloon Race** took to the (virtual) skies creating fun and excitement over Waterford and the owner of the winning entry 'Nora's Balloon', won a £30 Amazon voucher.

And then in June, what a wonderful celebratory **PLATINUM JUBILEE PICNIC** we had in Waterford ; a lovely crowd of villagers and friends came to the playing fields with their picnics to share a joyful village event. The sun shone, The Junkyard Dawg Jug Band entertained us with their fabulous music, adults savoured a Pimms or beer from the bar, children enjoyed the bouncy castle and colouring competition, and we even made a profit of £114.74 after covering our costs!

and incredibly HER MAJESTY ATTENDED!

Now Her Majesty The Queen may have only attended in cardboard form though we know that her heart was with us and all the other celebrations around the country! And there was general agreement that we did our Queen proud with our community celebration.

And finally I'm sure you will have noticed that once again we have a colourful display around the hall as evidence of the green fingered efforts of Jane Guinn, Tess Gatens and Brian and Linda Wilkerson for our **HERTFORD IN BLOOM entry.**

Waterford Recreation Committee would like to express our sincere thanks for the hard work performed by Jane, Tess, Brian and Linda and the watering team who have once again done a magnificent job Every year since the 'Hertford in Bloom' competition started, thanks to this wonderful team, we have won a prize for our floral display; but even more importantly, our village hall and gardens look fantastic. So thank you Jane and the whole team!

Now onto item #4 on your agendas,

FINANCIAL REPORT DELIVERED BY TREASURER Jo Willis

Thank you, Jo

And now onto item #5:

Election of Officers:

Item #6:

the Hall redevelopment project Update so I'll hand over to. ...

Finally item #7:

AOB and Matters Arising

So that completes our business of this evening. Thank you for coming and I would like to invite you to join us for glass of wine and refreshments.

Thank you

Management Report

Waterford Recreation Committee
For the period ended 31 March 2022



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Financial Activities

14 September, 2021 - 31 March, 2022

	Total
INCOME	
Balloon Race	-36.00
Bonfire Night	1,582.84
Charitable activities	276.39
Christmas Fete	88.89
Services	6,102.62
Summer Fete	178.69
Total Income	8,193.43
TOTAL	8,193.43
EXPENDITURES	
Event	82.25
Gifts	50.00
Hall Maintenance	2,573.87
Insurances	1,157.37
New Village Hall	2,338.00
Office/General Administrative Expenses	362.11
Phone Costs	115.15
Playing Field	1,256.80
Utilities	926.01
Total Expenditures	8,861.56
NET OPERATING INCOME	-668.13
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	£ -668.13

Balance Sheet

As of March 31, 2022

	Total
FIXED ASSET	
Total Fixed Asset	
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	
HSBC	51,376.63
Land Fund	2,130.83
Paypal	8,392.29
Petty Cash	26.31
Total Cash at bank and in hand	61,926.06
DEBTORS	
Debtors	707.00
Total Debtors	707.00
CURRENT ASSETS	
Stock Asset	176.69
Total Current Assets	176.69
NET CURRENT ASSETS	62,809.75
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	62,809.75
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	62,809.75
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£62,809.75
CHARITY FUNDS	
Opening Balance Equity	33,361.50
Retained Earnings	24,373.76
Surplus/(Deficit)	5,074.49
Total Charity funds	£62,809.75