

**Annual Report for the year 21st November 2021 – 31st December 2022 on
The Shabbington Village Community Trust**

Just before Christmas (2021) we received Charitable Status from the Charity Commission and we are now **The Shabbington Village Community Trust** (charity number 1196759). The main objectives of the charity are: “the provision and maintenance of a village hall and recreation ground for the use of the inhabitants of Shabbington and the surrounding area without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures, classes and other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants.”

The main objective of the Trust is to replace the Hut with a more viable and attractive building, a much needed amenity for the Village. Our resident architect drew up plans, made 3D models and there was a great deal of consultation with the village and particularly with those living near to the proposed new building. It was submitted for planning permission in August (21)

On 14th February (22) we heard that planning permission to build our new Village Hall was likely to be refused. We decided to withdraw the application and apply for another Pre-App with detailed design drawings rather than a single plan. This was submitted, taking into account the problems that had been highlighted, in February (22). This new Pre-app will allow us to fully understand the planners concerns and whether we are able to redesign the hall on the site that will provide the requirements of the village or whether any hut bigger than the one that exists is just not possible.

The Village Hut, though desperately in need of replacement, is still very much used by the community as the only other communal space apart from the Church. It is used for yoga and keep-fit classes, meeting space for the parish council, café, venue for Mary's lunch for the elderly, electoral hub amongst other things.

Our existing Lloyds' Bank account is in the name of the Shabbington Village Hall and we would like to change this to our new name The SVCT. We have tried on numerous occasions to do this but as yet have been unable to do so.

Fund-raising

Over the year we have run a Saturday morning café in the Hut over the summer months and lantern making at Christmas. A Burns' Night and Progressive supper event have also helped to raise funds. A lot of the food and drink for these events are often kindly donated by villagers so receipts do not appear on the account. We also regularly give money to the Church.

Sophy Blandy 29.03.23

Shabbington Village Hall year to 31st December 2022

Elec	£332
Water	£138
Insurance	£544
Sec Exp	£0
Maint.	£1,183
Cleaning	£0
Planning	£742
Event Expenditure	£0
Fire Exts	£0
EXPENDITURE	£2,939
Bookings	£1,006
ElecMeter	£0
Events	£1,208
Donation	£44
Grants	£0
Interest	£0
INCOME	£2,257
NET	-£682

Events

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Opening Bal 01/01/22	£20,585
Closing Bal 31/12/22	£19,904
Surplus / Deficit on the year	-£682