

Hungarton Charities

Registered Charity 1197960

Annual Report 2023-2024

Objectives and activities

The name of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation ("the CIO") is Hungarton Charities

The objects of the CIO are

To advance such charitable purposes (according to the law of England and Wales) as the trustees see fit from time to time in particular but not limited to the village of Hungarton, Leicestershire. This will be for the public benefit of residents and visitors to the village and surrounding area.

Specifically, to provide support by the means of grants, advice and other support as required for

- 1) Amateur Sports, the tennis court within the Village and the Village playground
- 2) The facilities, maintenance and use of the Village Hall
- 3) Protection of and maintenance of the 'Millennium Green' ecology project
- 4) Environmental projects in the village and surrounding area
- 5) The youth group and other such projects aimed at supporting family life.
- 6) St John the Baptist Church

To further such other purposes which may be charitable according to the law of England and Wales as the trustees see fit from time to time.

Achievements and performance

Hungarton Charities considers request from village organisations to support projects for the benefit of the local community towards the preservation, maintenance of village buildings and community areas, as well as supporting projects for young people and families.

The main fund raising event is our biannual Open Gardens weekend where several gardens are open to the public as well as demonstrations, craft stalls, refreshments and games. This brings the community together all working to raise money for our Youth and Sports Clubs, the Millennium Green ecology project, our Parish Church and Village Hall, as well as encouraging other environmental schemes in Hungarton.

The latter half of 2023/24 saw the preparation and planning for the Open Gardens event to be held in June 2024. The organising committee appointed a new chair to oversee and co-ordinate the event. Meetings of the community saw those opening gardens come forward and ideas for further attractions discussed. Voluntary help from within the community was enlisted.

The charity trustees met to consider charity business and to consider the applications for funding which had been received. The outcome of that process is indicated below.

The trustees decided that the board of trustees should be expanded to achieve representation of all the principal funding recipients.

Grant Requests and Outcomes 2023-2024

Requestor	Purpose	Amount	Outcome	Allocated
Environment Sub-Committee of HPC	Leaflets	98.23	approved	100
Village Hall	Broadband	600	approved	600
Millennium Green Trust	Insurance	420.13	approved	420.13
Sports Club	Maintenance	500	approved	500
Sports Club	Tennis Lessons	1620	declined	0
Village Hall	Electrical Work / Inspection	1275	approved*	900
Church	Insurance, Maintenance	2800	approved*	1500
		7313.36		4020.13

*part approval

Plan for the next period (2024-2025), further grants etc.

The main elements of the plans for 2024/25 were to hold the open gardens event in June and to explore further fundraising events to be held in the year between the open gardens. We would continue to encourage and develop the engagement of the community. The distribution of funds, the charity's principal purpose, would continue.

Financial review 23-24

The Charity began the year with £13,222.86 in unrestricted funds.

During this year income from fundraising £1038.02, donations £500 and interest £226.14 totaled £1,764.16.

The Charity's income is largely from fundraising that occurs in alternate years. With this in mind the Trustees maintain an unrestricted reserve fund to ensure adequate funds to enable grants throughout all financial years and for unexpected emergencies.

In accordance with the grant award policy the trustees allocated £4000 for grants in 2023-2024. The remaining funds used towards the running costs of the charity and to maintain the reserve.

Expenditure on charitable activities

In total the Charity approved £4020.13 of grants from overall requests totalling £7313.36. These grants were all used towards the charitable objectives, these are outlined above.

Actual grant expenditure was slightly higher at £4609.60 as not all grants were accessed during the reporting period and some expenditure occurred from previously approved grants.

Grant Recipient	Amount
Village Hall	£1233.34
Sports Club	£750.00
Millennium Green	£420.13
Youth Work	£706.13
Church	£1500.00

Expenditure on Costs

Cost	Amount
Village Hall Fundraiser	£275.08
Fundraising Costs	£297.80
Village Hall Hire	£48.00
Bank & Accounting Charges	£157.60
Repayment	£50.00
<u>Total</u>	£828.48

Balance Sheet

	April 24	April 23	April 22
Fixed assets:			
Intangible assets	-	-	-
Tangible assets	-	-	-
Heritage assets	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	0	0	0
Current Assets:			
Stocks	0	0	0
Debtors	0	0	0
Investments	0	0	0
Cash at bank and in hand	856.95	2528.99	8641.56
Total current assets	856.95	2528.99	8641.56
Liabilities:			
Creditors < 1 year	(100) ⁴	(1006.13)	0
Net Current Assets	756.95	1522.86	8641.56
Provisions for liabilities	520 ¹	1200 ²	0
Total Net Assets	236.95	322.86	8641.56
Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted reserve ³	10,923.25	13,000	0
Total Charity Funds	11,780.20	13,222.86	8641.56

Notes

1. £60 Banking and £460 for Village Hall Wifi
2. £400 Banking and Accounting, £800 for Village Hall Wi-Fi provision
3. Reserve; dedicated CAF Gold Reserve Account
4. Awarded but not paid grant

Structure, governance and management

The charity trustees manage the affairs of the CIO and for that purpose exercise all the powers of the CIO. The CIO is managed in accordance with the foundation document and the Hungarton charities grant making policy.

The CIO does not employ staff or any external advisors.

There must be at least three charity trustees. If the number falls below this minimum, the remaining trustee or trustees may act only to call a meeting of the charity trustees, or appoint a new charity trustee. The maximum number of charity trustees is nine. The charity trustees may not appoint any charity trustee if as a result the number of charity trustees would exceed the maximum.

Current trustees

- 1) Dr Ralph Leighton
- 2) Mrs Sue Edwards
- 3) Mrs Gillian Woodford
- 4) Mr William Stewart

The trustees maintain communication with the local charities and groups that request grants on a frequent basis namely St John the Baptist Church PCC, Hungarton Village Hall, the Hungarton Sports Club and the Hungarton youth group. This is to ensure that activities within the area achieve maximum benefit in accordance with the charitable aims of these organizations.

Reference and administrative details

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