



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/09/2022 Period start date To 31/08/2023 Period end date

Charity name: Blencogo and District Village Hall

Charity registration number: 1198251

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The Old School Blencogo together with such other property as may be acquired by the Organisation shall be held for the purposes of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the parish of Bromfield and neighbouring areas, without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for lectures, meetings, classes and for other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants of the area (from CIO constitution)</p> <p>Objective 1: To be accessible, welcoming and affordable for individuals and organisations both in and outside the parish</p> <p>Objective 2: To provide attractive, clean, accessible and safe facilities for large and small meetings, social gathering, sporting events, lectures and educational events</p> <p>Objective 3: To generate income to maintain the facilities to a high standard</p> <p>Objective 4: To consult the community to identify and continue to meet its needs.</p>
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	<p>The Hall Committee put on regular events (quizzes, ceilidh, carnival, food evenings etc) and it has regular weekly user-groups (scouts, art group, garden club, dog training, craft and chat, WI, book Club, Wine Circle etc). Everything is aimed at encouraging and protecting a sense of community.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The Trustees have regard to the Charity Commission Guidance on public benefit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. There must be an identifiable benefit; and</li><li>2. The benefit must be to the public or section of the public</li></ol> <p>(see achievements and performance below)</p>

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not applicable – the Village Hall does not make grants
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	A group of over 20 local volunteers (from teenagers to retired) help with the running and maintenance of the Village Hall (Cleaning, grounds maintenance, event organisation, minor maintenance etc.). All community events are organised by the volunteer committee
Other		Blencogo & District Village Hall has recently (15/3/22) changed its charitable status to be a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Charity no. 1198251). Previously from 05 January 2001: Standard registration, Charity No. 1084346

**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	<p>No activities or events are recorded in this annual report as they are provided under the old charity number (see above). The previous charity will be closed down (as of 31/08/23) once the accounts have been prepared</p> <p>A key ambition of Blencogo and District Village Hall is to engender community spirit and a sense of communal worth. All the activities provided in the Village Hall aim to improve the physical, mental and emotional wellbeing of people of all ages in the Parish and surrounding area by providing a range of activities that will help to improve an individual's overall health and contribute towards a collective feeling of 'being part of the community'.</p> <p>By continuing to widen the range of opportunities that Blencogo and District Village Hall can deliver it is hoped that individuals might try new experiences and take part in the hobbies and social activities that they enjoy; so engendering a sense of</p>

		<p>belonging, self-worth and improved wellbeing.</p> <p>Activities provided locally reduce the need for car usage (as noted earlier there is little/ no public transport serving the area) to travel to other local centres 5 miles or more away.</p> <p>Many in the community both young and old and have limited incomes. The activities provided in the hall are priced so as to encourage their participation (hence there is not a 'standard' letting fee). Similar activities at other venues in Wigton or Aspatia are considerably more expensive. It is the ethos of Blencogo and District Village Hall to keep fees low to maximise participation.</p> <p>It is hoped that participation in a wide range of community activities will continue to build a strong community and create better mental and physical health for everyone.</p>
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#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	<b>Para 1.21</b>	Blencogo and District Village Hall had not managed to complete the process of transitioning from a trust to Charitable Incorporated Organisation in this financial year so the trading for FY 22/23 has been submitted under The trust Charity No. 1084346
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	N/A.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### 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	N/A
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	N/A
Other		N/A

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
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	<p>Eligibility for trusteeship (from constitution):</p> <p>(a) Every charity trustee must be a natural person.</p> <p>(b) No one may be appointed as a charity trustee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• if he or she is under the age of 16 years; or</li> <li>• is disqualified from acting as a charity trustee by virtue of section 178-180 of the Charities Act 2011 (or any statutory re-enactment or modification of that provision)</li> </ul> <p>(c) No one is entitled to act as a charity trustee whether on appointment or on any re-appointment until he or she has expressly acknowledged, in whatever way the charity trustees decide, his or her acceptance of the office of charity trustee.</p>

### 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	N/A
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		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Blencogo and District Village Hall
Other name the charity uses	BLENCOGO AND DISTRICT VILLAGE HALL: 1084346
Registered charity number	1198251
Charity's principal address	The Old School Blencogo WIGTON CA7 0BZ

### **Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Gary Bickley	Chairman		
2	Paul Benson	Treasurer		
3	Adrian Cozens			
4	Rebecca Blake			
5	Melanie Woolfenden	Secretary		
6	Sarah Chapman			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
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	Address

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

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## 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)

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Full name(s)

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Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

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Date

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01/09/2022

To

31/08/2023

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Hall hire	-	-	-	-	-
Bowls	-	-	-	-	-
Wine Circle/Craft Club	-	-	-	-	-
WI	-	-	-	-	-
Produce show	-	-	-	-	-
Allerdale	-	-	-	-	-
Toddler group	-	-	-	-	-
Art Group	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Polling Station	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Non Charitable Trading Income	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Caretaker	-	-	-	-	-
Rent	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	-	-	-
Light & Heat	-	-	-	-	-
Water	-	-	-	-	-
Repairs & Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Mowers	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
Transfer from Trust (Charity No. 1084346) to CIO (Charity no. 1198251)					
Current Account	5,992	-	-	5,992	-
Reserve Account		1,243	-	1,243	-
Cash in Hand	3,431			3,431	
Ride-on Mower	2,000			2,000	
Push Lawn Mower	500			500	
20 Tables and 150 Chairs	1,000			1,000	
Kitchen Equipment	5,000			5,000	
Misc. Hall equipment	1,000			1,000	
Scaffold Tower	1,200			1,200	
Staging	3,000	-	-	3,000	
<b>Sub total</b>	23,123	1,243	-	24,366	-
<b>Total payments</b>			-		-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	23,123	1,243	-	24,366	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	23,123	1,243	-	24,366	-

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	5,992	-	-
	Reserve Account	-	1,243	-
	Cash in Hand	3,431	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>9,423</b>	<b>1,243</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments)	Agreement Error	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Ride-on Mower	Unrestricted	2,000	-
	Push Lawn Mower	Unrestricted	500	-
	20 Tables and 150 Chairs	Unrestricted	-	1,000
	Kitchen Equipment	Unrestricted	-	5,000
	Misc/ Hall Equipment	Unrestricted	-	1,000
	Scaffold Tower	Unrestricted	-	1,200
	Staging	Unrestricted	-	3,000
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		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		-	-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature



Print Name

G.BICKLEY  
M.WOOLFENDEN

Date of approval

12/07/2024  
12/07/2024