

BUCKLAND MONACHORUM VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 1200054

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-08-15

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF BUCKLAND MONACHORUM WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, INCLUDING USE FOR MEETINGS, LECTURES AND CLASSES AND FOR OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION, WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS.

Activities: The object[s] of the CIO are to provide and maintain the Village Hall for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Buckland Monachorum, without distinction of political, religious or other opinion, including use for meetings, lectures and classes and for other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for those inhabitants.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£33,435	£35,621	-	-
2024-03-31	£13,043	£13,452	-	-
2023-03-31	£8,023	£6,818	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
STEPHEN FRYER	Chair	2022-07-07
Dr Tim Alexander		2022-07-07
Jane Beard		2022-07-07
Jon Burnie		2022-07-07
Mandy Robinson		2022-07-07
Nicola Williams		2022-07-07
Nigel Rendle		2022-07-07
Phil Bennett		2022-07-07
Tim Price		2023-05-31

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Buckland Monachorum Village Hall Trustees Annual Report for 2024-2025

Chairman's Report

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Treasurer's Report

1. At first sight, the figures in this year's accounts and our end of year deficit are astronomical! Please be reassured that our annual accounts are skewed by Year End falling between when we paid for the solar panels and batteries and when we received our grant for these from Devon County Council. If you remove these aspects, our income was £16974.91 and expenditure £17701.19 leading to a deficit of £726.28 over the year, - better than feared.
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one or another supplier to install a smart meter. Many thanks to Martyn for all he did that has made the solar panels and batteries happen.

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6. Our caretaker / gardener ceased contracting to us at the end of January 2025, to move to a more secure role with longer hours in the village. He went above and beyond in his care for the Hall and his efforts to maintain the facility. As we no longer pay him, this has reduced our costs in the final quarter of the year. In the short term we have reduced net fees for Beehive as they need to do some daily cleaning of toilets and bins. [In the accounts I am showing their full fees as income and the £5 per day reduction as expenses for the cleaning they do.] Going forward we have commissioned a local gardening service but have not yet organised a cleaning service: our needs will change again when Beehive move to the school, so we are being a little cautious about entering into a new long-term arrangement.
7. Happily the repair to the roof, initially undertaken as a temporary measure, has held well, avoiding the need for what we anticipated might be around £15k costs.
8. The new solar panels and battery capacity will hopefully decrease our electricity costs. In recent years we have contracted our electricity with the help of Utility Aid, who take around 8% of the total cost as their fee. Our current contract through them with EDF terminates at the end of June. Octopus, who do not deal through intermediaries quote about £200 less than the best quote Utility Aid can offer us. Supported by the committee, I plan to abandon Utility Aid and contract with Octopus from 1st July, - initially for a year. After another year we hope that we may have a smart meter and a year of data to inform future decisions. It remains to be seen whether Octopus will apply VAT to our electricity costs. [EDF have applied this where our previous supplier did not.]
9. Richard Mabey has once again kindly checked the accounts and found them satisfactory.

Adoption of the Accounts (copy enclosed) was proposed by Stephen Fryer, seconded by Tim Price and agreed by all present.

6. Reports of the User Groups:

6.1 Beehive Pre-School Playgroup

A year of uncertainty for myself, due to ill health, and a planned move to St. Andrews for the Preschool, which has been put on hold indefinitely. The Academy are waiting for the second phase of funding for schools to develop Early Years Provision on site.

In the meantime, I am very grateful that the Committee agreed for Buckland Beehive to remain at the hall and continue as we were.

We have been full from the Autumn term and currently have 30 children attending. We have 15 children leaving for school at the end of this term. We will be having an Open Morning on Saturday 28th June to recruit new children for next September.

I would like to thank the Committee for their continued support of the Pre-School.

6.2 Drama Group

Stephen reported on a successful panto and plans were underway for a new production later in the year. He also said that the group were on a de-cluttering exercise in the Drama store.

6.3 Art Group

Nichola reported that the recent annual exhibition held in conjunction with other art groups again went very well and the committee were thanked for their assistance in setting up and putting back the display boards. A suggestion was made that perhaps some of the heavier boards could be replaced with lighter ones, for ease of handling.

6.1 Snooker

Phil reported on a 50% increase in income generated through the year, more than covering the cost of the new cloth. Interestingly, he said that there had been a reduction in the regular players but this was compensated by more ad-hoc bookings. He reminded the committee that he would be away again from November for 10 weeks but cover would be arranged through Tony Foss.

6,5 Parish Council

No report.

Buckland Monachorum Village Hall Annual Accounts
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Buckland Monachorum Village Hall
Annual Accounts Year Ended 31st March 2025

Income	2025	£	2024	£
Hire of / Use of Hall				
BMVH Snooker Club	2234.43		1239.50	
Buckland Art Group	752.00		471.00	
Buckland Beehive	5449.99		4453.41	
Buckland Monachorum Parish Council	27.75		62.00	
Charleston Friendship Cafe [Trish Topham]	444.00		432.00	
Devon Dance	682.53		1388.25	
Drama Group	1105.50		555.00	
Keep Fit [Denise Avent]	666.00		426.00	
Ladies Fitness [Cally Barnes]	0.00		120.00	
Meg Burnie (Dance Practice)	36.00		34.00	
Private Hire	731.80		608.25	
Scouts	108.00		0.00	
	12238.00		9789.41	
Other Income				
Coffee Mornings	700.94		494.55	
Bank Interest - CCLA 2023 Co-op 2024	436.34		181.79	
June Fair	225.00		240.00	
Equipment sales	0.00		0.00	
Fundraising income - Co-op	1862.63		1130.43	
Fundraising income - Quiz nights	211.00		498.00	
	3435.91		2544.77	
Private Donations				
Drama Group	600.00		599.00	
Buckland Beehive	700.00			
Individuals	1.00		110.00	
	1301.00		709.00	
Loan				
Interest free Loan to cover Solar panel and Battery payment	16460.00			
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TOTAL INCOME	33434.91		13043.18	
Expenditure				
Utilities				
British Gas <i>Gas</i>	112.82		99.18	
EDF Energy [1444.41] + Corona Energy [1666.41] <i>Electricity</i>	5152.06		5220.34	
Pennon Water Services <i>Water</i>	561.00		381.50	
Skylight Broadband <i>Internet</i>	345.60		345.60	
	6171.48		6046.62	
Cleaning and Maintenance				
Shane Willson	3370.00		3960.00	
Mileage	6.21			
Cleaning done by Beehive Staff	100.00			
	3476.21		3960.00	
Annual Expenses				
Allied Westminster (Insurance Services) Ltd - <i>Annual Insurance</i>	1160.03		1088.39	
Building Survey fee for Insurer	75.00		0.00	
Chubb Fire and Security[2023] B-safe[2024] - <i>Fire extinguisher service</i>	403.00		46.00	
PPL PRS - <i>Music performance license</i>	0.00		291.94	
Wix.Com - <i>Calendar booking program</i>	169.53		147.93	
Devon Communities Together - <i>Local Community Halls Association</i>	50.00		50.00	
The Play Inspection Company - <i>Outdoor play area check</i>	222.00		210.00	
DACB - <i>Annual Garden Waste collection fee</i>	0.00		107.00	
Snooker room Camera Information Commissioner	35.00		0.00	
PAT testing - <i>Electrical equipment testing</i>	99.00		0.00	
Lawnmower fuel	7.10		0.00	
	2220.66		1941.26	
Fundraising Expenses				
Devon Community Trust courses	0.00		50.00	
			50.00	
Cleaning Products and Minor Repairs / Expenses				
Cleaning Supplies	405.19		365.92	
Minor repairs and renewals	206.63		357.21	
Supplies for floor polishing	106.88			
	718.70		723.13	
New or Replacement Equipment				
Kettles	59.98		0.00	
Toilet	84.42		0.00	
Water Heater parts	104.54		0.00	
Hedge Trimmer	199.00		0.00	
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Andrew Creber - Renewal of Fencing	2880.00		0.00	
NSD Construction - Roof inspection and basic repair[2023] Definitive re	811.20		360.00	
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Gift to resigning employee	35.00	35.00		731.16
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Closing Balance	17563.23	19749.51
Represented by:		
Co-op Business account	2225.62	2804.77
Co-op Savings account	15277.61	16841.27
Cash	60.00	103.47
TOTALS	17563.23	19749.51

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*I have examined the accounts
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*Richard Mabey
21 April 2025.*

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- For the year 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024, the accounts show a loss of £409. However, we had £1400 of debtors at year end, so effectively this was a £1k surplus.
- This is not as good as it sounds because as a “one-off” we are one of Yelverton Co-op's Charities of choice this year and our income from them was £1130. While we should get similar in 2024-5, it will not recur thereafter.
- Further to this, we received £1388 from a new regular user, Devon Dance. Without this, we would have made a loss, - largely because income from most other regular users has not risen by the 20-30% we needed to fund the doubling of utility bills.
- The Snooker club has bucked that trend with its 26% rise in income: we are very grateful to Phil Bennett for his continued work in attracting new players and setting reasonable usage fees.
- The accounts show a more than doubling of our electricity bill from £2476 to £5220, with only 9 months of the year under the new increased tariff. Regrettably, where our previous supplier charged us 5% VAT, the current supplier charged 20% VAT on all but 2% of our usage. We are continuing to try to claw some of this back, but the current supplier is stricter in applying VAT to all hire income in months where daily usage exceeds 33kWh [6 months of the year], where the old supplier just viewed us as a charity for all usage.
- The new electricity contract from 1st July 2024 drops our electricity prices to around 75-80% of current price [with reductions in unit tariffs but increase in daily standing charge]. The

best price available was to stay with our current supplier, EDF. I would expect our electricity charges to be around £4500 for the current year.

- Meanwhile our water supplier has just announced an increase in our monthly price from £32.50 to £51.50 per month, which seems to reflect increased usage as well as increased unit charges.
- Despite the likely decrease in electricity costs, this will be far less than the previous year's increase, in a climate where other costs continue to rise. Our hire charges therefore cannot decrease.
- Two of us have, between us, attended all 8 meetings in the recent Devon Communities Together Enterprising Halls programme, which has allowed us some ideas and benchmarking.
- We are currently trying to raise money to cover a permanent repair to the leaking roof, following the successful temporary repair.
- We are ambitious to future proof the hall by renewing windows and doors, improving external wall and roof insulation and addressing damp issues.
- These improvements will be costly. We are slowly building up a learning curve in applying for grants. We are very grateful to Martyn Williams for his facilitation and support in this.

Adoption of the Accounts (copy enclosed) was proposed by Stephen Fryer, seconded by Tim Price, and agreed by all present.

Reports of the User Groups:

Beehive Pre-School Playgroup

- Although costs have continued to rise the Government have now finally invested in the early years sector and the voucher system is in line with our hourly rate at last. As well as enabling working parents of 2-year-olds to claim 15 hours of vouchers, we have seen an increase in enquiries and subsequent bookings.
- As a result, after a slow start to the year we are now full and are taking bookings for Spring 2025. We currently have 33 children attending Beehive weekly, with a maximum of 16 per day. Although we could have more children per day, I cap it at 16 to enable us to provide the maximum amount of care to each child. We are also restricted to 10 children on a Monday and Wednesday afternoons as we are in the Richard Mabey room.
- Ten of our children will be starting School this September, so we will be holding an Open Morning on the 15th of June 2024 to hopefully replenish our numbers ready for the Autumn Term.
- We held a sponsored cycle in April and raised the staggering amount of £802, which we spent on some new tricycles and an outdoor playhouse.
- This last term before the Summer holidays is usually our busiest, as we have transition sessions at the school once a week for the children starting in September, we also take the children swimming at the school pool, (weather permitting), we have Sports Day and

finally we finish the term with our yearly trip, which this year takes us to Collytown Stud in Bere Alston, which ties up with our theme of the Farm & Farm Animals.

- We would like to thank the Village Hall Trustees for their continued support and encouragement, and we would like to thank Shane for keeping the hall so clean and for doing the odd repair job on the toys when needed!

Drama Group

Stephen reported on a disappointing year with the cancellation of their main event due to cast sickness. The search is on for a new play though finding the right script is proving demanding..

Art Group

Nichola reported that the revived annual exhibition held in conjunction with other art groups went very well, with the potential for future new members. The committee were thanked for their assistance in setting up and storing of the display boards.

Snooker Club

In a phone call prior to the meeting Phil said that it had been a particularly good year, as evidenced by the comments in the Treasurer's report, with income up 26% on the previous year.. He was thanked again for all the hard work that has ensured this success.

Parish Council

No report.

Election of Village Hall Charity Trustees

a) Officers:

Chairman - Stephen Fryer was proposed by Nigel Rendle, seconded by Mandy Robinson, and approved.

Treasurer – Tim Alexander was proposed by Stephen Fryer, seconded by Nigel Rendle and approved.

Secretary - Nigel Rendle was proposed by Stephen Fryer, seconded by Jane Beard, and approved.

b) User Group Nominated Members

Beehive Pre- School Playgroup – Jane Beard
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Our contractor Shane Wilson was once again thanked for his tremendous service during the year and reconfirmed as Caretaker/ Groundsman.

9. Honorary Examiner of the Accounts

Richard Mabey [a past Treasurer] has confirmed that he is happy to continue in this role.

Buckland Monachorum Village Hall Annual Accounts
1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024

Buckland Monachorum Village Hall
Annual Accounts Year Ended 31st March 2024

Charity Number 1200054

Income	2024		2023
		£	£
Hire of / Use of Hall			
BMVH Snooker Club	1239.50		1113.58
Buckland Art Group	471.00		868.00
Buckland Beehive	4453.41		4766.50
Buckland Monachorum Parish Council	62.00		105.00
Charleston Friendship Cafe	432.00		420.00
Creative Writing Class	0.00		22.00
Drama Group	555.00		1230.00
Keep Fit	426.00		705.00
Ladies Fitness	120.00		521.25
Dance Practice	34.00		205.00
Devon Dance	1388.25		0.00
Private Hire	608.25		1050.50
	9789.41		11006.83
Other Income			
Coffee Mornings	494.55		455.82
Bank Interest - CCLA 2023 Co-op 2024	181.79		268.11
June Fair	240.00		210.00
Equipment sales	0.00		300.00
Fundraising income - Co-op	1130.43		0.00
Fundraising income - Quiz nights	498.00		191.30
	2544.77		1425.23
Private Donations			
Drama Group	599.00		300.00
Individuals	110.00		300.00
	709.00		600.00
TOTAL INCOME	13043.18		13032.06
Expenditure			
Utilities			
British Gas <i>Gas</i>	99.18		96.64
EDF Energy [1444.41] + Corona Energy [1666.41] <i>Electricity</i>	5220.34		2475.77
Pennon Water Services <i>Water</i>	381.50		360.00
Skylight Broadband <i>Internet</i>	345.60		345.60
	6046.62		3278.01
Cleaning and Maintenance			
Contractor	3960.00		3630.00
	3960.00		3630.00
Annual Expenses			
Allied Westminster (Insurance Services) Ltd - <i>Annual Insurance</i>	1088.39		1016.42
Chubb Fire and Security - <i>Fire extinguisher service and check</i>	46.00		45.00
PPL PRS - <i>Music performance license</i>	291.94		135.72
Wix.Com - <i>Calendar booking program</i>	147.93		133.53
CCD Number 1 - <i>Local Community Halls Association</i>	50.00		0.00
The Play Inspection Company - <i>Outdoor play area check</i>	210.00		210.00
DACB - <i>Annual Garden Waste collection fee</i>	107.00		40.00
PAT testing - <i>Electrical equipment testing</i>	0.00		105.00
	1941.26		1685.67
Fundraising Expenses			
Devon Community Trust courses	50.00		0.00
Leaflet printing	0.00		75.00
	50.00		75.00
Cleaning Products and Minor Repairs / Expenses			
Cleaning Supplies	365.92		284.54
Minor repairs and renewals	357.21		174.14
	723.13		458.68
New Equipment			
Floor polisher / stripper	0.00		260.00
Microwave oven	0.00		69.98
Cabinet cupboard for servery	0.00		105.00
Christmas lights	0.00		34.93
			469.91
Major work			
Alan Hughes t/a Totally Wired - New heaters and Lighting	0.00		368.03
NSD Construction - Roof inspection and basic repair	360.00		0.00
Tree safety inspection	371.16		565.92
	731.16		933.95
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	13452.17		10531.22
In year Surplus / (Deficit)	408.99		2500.84

Buckland Monachorum Village Hall Charity Number 1200054
Annual Accounts Year Ended 31st March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
RECONCILIATION AND MOVEMENT OF FUNDS		
Opening Balance	20158.50	17657.66
Surplus / Deficit in Year	408.99	2500.84
Closing Balance	19749.51	20158.50
Represented by:		
Barclays bank balance	0.00	14819.73
Co-op Business account	2804.77	2945.30
Co-op Savings account	16841.27	2300.00
Cash	103.47	93.47
TOTALS	19749.51	20158.50

Cash balance includes Raffle and Coffee floats of £30 each - total £60

Notes

1) These accounts look less favourable than our actual position as we had no outstanding debtors at 31/3/23, whereas this year we are owed £1305.11, (similar to the position at 31/3/22). Last year I suggested we should therefore construe it as a £1.5k surplus and this year I would therefore suggest we view it as a £1k surplus.

2) £1k surplus sounds relaxing, - but bear in mind that we were given more than that by the Co-op. While we will get a similar amount from them in the next financial year, we won't get more after that. We were also fortunate to receive £1388 hire charges from the Dance Group, but this has come to an end.

*I have examined the accounts
and Bank Statements and find
all in order.
Richard Moly.*

BUCKLAND MONACHORUM VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales - Charity number 1200054

Accounts

BUCKLAND MONACHORUM VILLAGE HALL

Registered Charity 1200054

Trustees Annual Report 31st May 2023

Chairman's Report

Since the last AGM, I hope that I have led the Committee to everyone's satisfaction, and I am happy to continue in the role for the forthcoming year if required. I would like to thank both Nigel and Tim for their work as Secretary and Treasurer, and for the rest of the Committee for their support.

Since taking on the Bookings & Calendar, it is pleasing to see the number of bookings continuing to keep the Hall busy. However, our monthly Market & Coffee Shop really needs to see an increase in visitors but how we achieve that I don't know. I really hope to follow up my thoughts last year, on creating some evening events in the Hall. We have run three Quiz Nights in the Drake Manor which have proved very popular and these will continue later this year.

I was very pleased that we were able to finalise converting the Hall Charity to a CIO. This included resolving the issue of the Hall's ownership. The title deeds confirm that it is owned by the Management Committee. The next step is to register title with the Land Registry (which is in hand) and to formally close the old Village Hall Charity.

We have some challenges to face in the coming year, but hopefully we can also enjoy celebrating the Hall's 100th Birthday.

Treasurer's Report

- I took over from Tony Chilvers in Summer 2021 but was unable to attend last year's AGM.
- We attempted to further rationalise user charges and to even them out across regular users in Spring 2022.
- Frustration with Barclays has finally provoked a change to the Co-operative Bank. For simplicity we have also closed our CCLA deposit account and placed funds in a Co-op Savings Account.
- Last year's Covid grants allowed us to fund new heating and lighting during the year, so expenditure exceeded income. This year, income has exceeded expenditure, - but not by as much as the year-end figures suggest. We had no outstanding debtors at 31/3/2023, in contrast to £1,100 of outstanding debtors at 31/3/2022.
- As Covid restrictions have eased we have seen increased use for private and other hire over the year. We owe particular thanks to Shane, who provides caretaking services, for facilitating this and for ensuring the Hall is ready for regular users. There have been a couple of difficulties around Private Hirings that have caused us to revisit Terms and Conditions of use: we're very grateful to Nichola for co-ordinating this.

- The biggest cloud on the horizon is the end to our 2-year fixed contract for electricity on 30th June. Our new contract, for 1 year from 1st July, sees a doubling in price [considerably less increase than originally envisaged] taking our likely spend from £2.5k to around £4.8k. To cover this, we need to increase income by approximately 20%, - without using more electricity. As such, we have warned user groups that hire charges are likely to increase by about 30% from 1st July. Private hire charges will increase similarly at that time.
- We have some concerns about roof leaks and are awaiting a builder's opinion and advice: this could be costly.
- The Village Hall has been in action [in various guises] for 100 years. In celebration, we would like to upgrade windows and doors and generally improve insulation / heat retention in the building. With a view to this we leafleted every house in the village in February, inviting donations. We received £300 in donations. We hope to pursue charitable and grant funding: applying for such funds is something of a learning curve and granting bodies often look to match locally raised funds, rather than just give their own funds.

Election of Village Hall Charity Trustees

a) Officers:

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15th August 2022 - 31st March 2023

Buckland Monachorum Village Hall

Charity Number 1200054

Accounts 15th August 2022 - 31st March 2023

Income	2023	
Hire of / Use of Hall		
Regular Users	5922.75	
Private Hire	753.00	6675.75
Other Income		
Coffee Mornings	326.82	
Bank Interest	228.86	
Private Donations	300.00	
Equipment sales	300.00	
Fundraising income	191.30	1346.98
TOTAL INCOME	8022.73	
Expenditure		
Utilities		
<i>Gas</i>	72.46	
<i>Electricity</i>	1235.78	
<i>Water</i>	200.00	
<i>Internet</i>	201.60	1709.84
Caretaker		
Contractor	2430.00	2430.00
Annual Expenses		
<i>Annual Insurance</i>	1016.42	
<i>Fire extinguisher service and check</i>	0.00	
<i>Music performance license</i>	0.00	
<i>Calendar booking program</i>	133.53	
<i>Outdoor play area check</i>	0.00	
<i>Annual Garden Waste collection fee</i>	0.00	
<i>Electrical equipment testing</i>	105.00	1254.95
Fundraising Expenses		
Leaflet printing	75.00	75.00
Cleaning Products and Minor Repairs / Expenses		
Cleaning Supplies	138.01	
Minor repairs and renewals	174.14	312.15
New Equipment		
Floor polisher / stripper	260.00	
Microwave oven	69.98	
Cabinet cupboard for servery	105.00	
Christmas lights	34.93	469.91
Major work		
Tree safety inspection	565.92	565.92
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6817.77	
In year Surplus / (Deficit)	1204.96	