



The Constable Memorial Hall

Gandish Road, East Bergholt, COLCHESTER, Essex, CO7 6TP
Charity No.: 1200327

TRUSTEES REPORT 2022 - 2023

The original charity was established by the Trust Deed dated 21 January 1956, and is registered with the **Charity Commission, No 304744**. The Charity in September 2022 became a CIO registered with the **Charity Commission, No 1200327**

Objects, Organisation and activities

The charity is established to enhance the community life of the inhabitants of East Bergholt by providing communal facilities and promoting community projects of a charitable nature.

The Village Hall is available for hire by any individual or organisation in accordance with the standard hiring agreement and scale of charges adopted for the year. It is intended that the scale of charges be sufficient to generate enough income to meet all expenditure incurred in providing the Hall.

The charity is organised as an independent association of local residents with a management committee comprising elected and nominated members. Activities include the provision of the Village Hall as a permanent community facility and a variety of community projects as funds permit from time to time.

The Constable Hall re-opened to our customers in January 2021 in accordance with the COVID regulations at the time. Booking receipts have started to pick up throughout the year and resulted in a much needed rise in booking income. The incoming resources for the year have been boosted by grants for setting up the Hall as a 'Warm Space' café allowing for expenditure on capital projects it has been considering for some time such as improving/repairing the internal fabric of the Hall.

The refurbishment of the Benneworth Lounge last year, has seen a steady increase of hirers of this area.

Once again, the Constable Hall Committee wishes to thank the East Bergholt Parish Council for their annual grant of £500 towards the running of the hall and payment of £13.50 for the rent of the playing field. It is much appreciated and not taken for granted.

The Constable Hall is meeting costs and making a surplus. The committee will continue to improve the premises throughout 2023 and beyond.

Constable Hall Financial Summary for period 1.1.23 – 31.12.23

| <u>Income</u> | £ | |
|--|----------------|-----------------|
| Bookings | 16,749.32 | |
| Returnable deposits | 1800.00 | |
| Way leave | 11.50 | |
| Donation | 10.00 | |
| Race night | 1088.25 | |
| Parish Council rent & grant | 513.50 | |
| Other | 2.00 | |
| | ----- | |
| Constable Hall | 20174.57 | |
| Warm Space Cafe | 18532.49 | |
| | ----- | |
| | | <u>38707.06</u> |
| <u>Expenditure</u> | | |
| Returned deposits | 1526.84 | |
| Maintenance | 2201.17 | |
| Cleaner | 2818.25 | |
| Insurance, Legal & Licences | 1540.18 | |
| Water | 155.24 | |
| Fire Ext Service | 176.40 | |
| Race Night | 98.58 | |
| Electricity | 1260.00 | |
| Gas | 1867.28 | |
| Parish Magazine Adverts | 214.00 | |
| Hallmaster, IT & Plusnet | 768.87 | |
| Babergh | 117.52 | |
| Locksmith, Cesspit, Film hire, Interpreter, garden | 1615.41 | |
| TV Licence | 159.00 | |
| | ----- | |
| Constable Hall | 14518.74 | |
| Warm space | 13838.58 | |
| ----- | | |
| | | <u>28357.32</u> |
| | | 10349.74 |
| Surplus for period | Constable Hall | 5655.83 |
| | Warm Space | <u>4693.91</u> |
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Assets as at 31.12.23

Barclays:

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|-------------------|---------------|
| Community Account | 32085.43 |
| Savings account | 8197.44 |
| Lloyds | <u>856.00</u> |
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