

# **Murrow Community Facilities AGM**

## **Chairman's Report 2024**

The past 12 months seem to have flown by, during which time the Murrow Community Facilities committee have been busy with running the village hall, managing the playing field and discussing exciting future plans for them both.

Christine Patrick has again successfully organised a number of events throughout the year. Though the quiz nights have been temporarily put on hold, the village hall bingo nights have remained successful. The annual Lego Event held in October was not as well attended as it was in 2023, however we believe the cost of living crisis has contributed to this. The next Lego event will be organised for early 2025. Christine organised another Christmas Treats Fayre which remained successful, with a good turnout from the local community.

I must also thank Maureen Woollard for organising the popular Fruit and Vegetable Show which was again a well attended success.

The hall has been booked for a number of parties and celebrations. Evening parties are still not being accepted due to a couple of bad experiences in the past, meaning that none of the current keyholders are willing to lock up after them. If anyone comes on the committee and is willing to lock up at the end of the booking then the decision can be reconsidered.

Christine Carr has made good progress with the merger of the Playing Field and Village Hall Committees, using a solicitor recommended by ACRE. We hope the merger will be completed in the coming year. The committee would like to thank Christine for her work on this.

There have been ongoing issues with the play equipment on the playing field. The manhole has been particularly troublesome to successfully rectify, as it seems very appealing to local vandals. This will be completely filled in in due course. The play equipment was inspected during the year and as a result, some items have had to, or will be, removed. This has led to complaints online, which the committee has taken on board. The committee are currently in the early stages of planning an overhaul of the playing field and its facilities. Murrow Street Pride are still litter picking the field regularly, for which we thank them. There has been a problem with dog fouling as in previous years, however there are now patrols being made and extra signs have been put in place.

There have been ongoing difficulties getting the decorating and floor repairs carried out throughout the year which isn't helped by the poor condition of the roof tiles, which lead to water damage inside the hall. The committee are considering different options regarding the future of the hall. I must thank all those committee members who have taken the time to organise repairs throughout the year.

Finally, I would like to thank the committee for their hard work and dedication in keeping the playing field in order, and the village hall functioning.

Luke Patrick  
Chairman

## MURROW COMMUNITY FACILITIES

### Income & Expenditure Account year ending 31st December 2023

2022	INCOME	2023
30.00	Unpresented cheque from 2021 Crystal Clear Windows	
275.00	Hall Hire Murrow Street Pride	205.00
100.00	Hall Hire Cambridge Acorn Project	
23.14	Nat West Bank Raise Roof Account Interest	122.43
0.77	Interest on National Savings & Investment Account	
1.00	Hall Hire Macmillan Cancer Coffee Morning	5.00
	Hall Hire FDC Elections	250.00
105.00	Hall Hire Wisbech St Mary Parish Council	90.00
110.00	3 Quiz Evenings	194.50
	Zurich Insurance Village Hall Roof damage claim	11,156.00
747.00	Hall Hire Private Lettings	315.00
583.00	Leggo Fund Raising Event	187.50
275.00	Planet Aid Recycling Clothes donation	300.00
223.50	Christmas Treats Fayre	216.90
5.00	Sale of drinks	
293.04	3 Bingo's	846.95
2,667.00	FDC Covid Grants	
392.75	Flower & Vegetable Show	463.60
368.80	Race Night	
	Playing Field Association Funds paid over to Murrow Community Facilities	8,587.79
<b>£ 6,200.00</b>	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>22,940.67</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
497.11	EON Electricity	517.06
57.70	Anglian Water Business Ltd	73.59
	Fenland District Council Lotteries Licence Renewal	20.00
57.00	Cambridgeshire ACRE Membership Fee	60.00
817.16	Heating Oil	1,215.90
789.26	Insurance	1,184.84
	Bookings Secretary Phone Top Up	20.00
	Secretary Expenses - printer cartridge	29.49
132.00	PRS Music Licence	58.22
90.76	Replacement locks and keys	
250.00	Roof Repairs T G Roofing	
436.49	Cleaners Wages & Cleaning materials - supplies	331.13
	First Aid Materials	28.28
75.00	B & P Oil Boiler Services - boiler service	80.00
120.00	Boiler control & repairs	
	Purchase of Leggo from Sarah Bligh	100.00
44.40	Fenland Fire Appliance Check	83.40
445.44	Fenland District Council Rates	470.92
99.54	PAT Testing Portable Appliances	0.00
180.00	FDC Premises Licence renewal	180.00
111.50	Loss on Gin Feast Evening	
132.00	Fenland Leisure Playing Field Inspection	144.00
	Fishlocks Ground Works on Playing Field	1,188.00
	Bowles Tree & Garden Services felling of tree on playing field entrance	1,020.00
	Bingo Books & Raffle Draw Ticket books	67.92
	Alan Clarke Electrical Ltd 5 yearly Inspection & Test on Village Hall	210.00
	Solicitors Fees for Merger	500.00
	Turners Roofing Contractors - roof repairs under insurance claim	8,448.00
	Gopack Ltd replacement tables for village hall	1,289.56
	Turners Roofing Contractors - subsequent roof repairs	204.00
	T A Blackamore Ltd Murrow Playing Field Grass Cutting	1,620.30
	Gary Matthew hall ceiling decoration claim for roof damage	985.00
	Replacement Kettle for hall	23.00
<b>£ 4,335.36</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>£ 20,152.61</b>

## MURROW COMMUNITY FACILITIES

### Balance sheet as at 31st December 2023

Opening Bank Balances at 1st January 2023	
Nat West Current Account	35,339.37
Nat West Raise the Roof Account	5,200.58
Cash in hand	345.06
	<b>40,885.01</b>
Add	
Income received	22,940.67
Income includes	
Insurance Claim Payment of £1,480	
for hall floor repairs that are still to be	
completed and Invoice settled.	
Total	<b>63,825.68</b>
Less	
Expenditure	(20,152.61)
Current Funds Balance	<b>43,673.07</b>
Closing Bank Balances at 31st December 2024	
Nat West Current Account	37,936.73
Nat West Savings Account	5,323.01
Cash In Hand	413.33
Total	<b>43,673.07</b>
Balance Sheet and Accounts Prepared by	
Yvonne Reader Treasurer	
Independently checked and verified	