

Murrow Community Facilities AGM

Chairman's Report 2025

During the past 12 months the Murrow Community Facilities committee has been busy with running the village hall, managing the playing field and discussing the future plans for both.

Christine Patrick has again successfully organised a number of events throughout the year. Holly has helped with these events also, so thanks goes to both. The village hall bingo has remained profitable, however the annual Lego Event has unfortunately been put on hold due to poor attendance. Christine and Holly organised another Christmas Treats Fayre which remained successful, with a good turnout from the local community. New this year were the children's events organised by Holly Boughen, Liana Hunns, Julia Ward and Michelle Compton. These were very well attended and good feedback was received from village residents, so thanks goes to this team too.

I must also thank Maureen Woollard for all her many years hard work on the committees for both the village hall and playing field. Every year she has organised the very popular Fruit and Vegetable Show, which remains a huge success, along with many other events over the years. It has been a huge privilege to have had Maureen on the committee and she will be sorely missed.

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 joins the committee and is willing to lock up at the end of the booking then the decision can be reconsidered.

Christine Carr has continued working on the merger of the Playing Field and Village Hall Committees, using a solicitor recommended by ACRE. We hope the merger will be completed very soon. We would like to thank Christine for her work on this.

Again this year there have been ongoing issues with the play equipment on the playing field. The swing has been stolen and the usual issues with vandalism. The play equipment was inspected during the year and as a result some items have had to be removed. The committee hopes that new equipment will be installed soon. 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 we are trying to keep this under control with signs and patrols.

The lights in the main hall have been replaced recently, however the floor repairs were not carried out due to the contractor being ill. This has been put on hold for now. Further roof repairs were carried out in the year, the roof is in poor condition but the committee do not want to replace this because the village hall will be relocated in due course. 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 2024

2023	INCOME	2024
205.00	Hall Hire Murrow Street Pride	90.00
	Wisbech St Mary Parish Council grass cutting & playing field grant	2,784.00
122.43	Nat West Bank Raise Roof Account Interest	456.03
	Wisbech St Mary Parish Council grant	3,555.60
5.00	Hall Hire Macmillan Cancer Coffee Morning	
250.00	Hall Hire FDC Elections	500.00
90.00	Hall Hire Wisbech St Mary Parish Council	135.00
194.50	3 Quiz Evenings	
11,156.00	Zurich Insurance Village Hall Roof damage claim	
315.00	Hall Hire Private Lettings	172.50
187.50	Leggo Fund Raising Event	
300.00	Planet Aid Recycling Clothes donation	75.00
216.90	Christmas Treats Fayre	351.65
	Charities Aid Foundation Grant	100.00
846.95	3 Bingo's	513.75
	Summer Craft Event	158.35
463.60	Flower & Vegetable Show	496.00
	Hall Hire Murrow Primary Academy	40.00
	Childrens Halloween Event	192.40
8,587.79	Playing Field Association Funds paid over to Murrow Community Facilities	
£ 22,940.67	TOTAL INCOME	9,620.28
	EXPENDITURE	
517.06	EON Electricity	621.29
73.59	Anglian Water Business Ltd	79.66
20.00	Fenland District Council Lotteries Licence Renewal	40.00
60.00	Cambridgeshire ACRE Membership Fee	65.00
1,215.90	Heating Oil	688.28
1,184.84	Insurance	1,797.09
20.00	Bookings Secretary Phone Top Up	
29.49	Secretary Expenses - printer cartridge	
58.22	PRS Music Licence	154.80
331.13	Cleaners Wages & Cleaning materials - supplies	189.75
28.28	First Aid Materials	
80.00	B & P Oil Boiler Services - boiler service	95.00
100.00	Purchase of Leggo from Sarah Bligh	
83.40	Fenland Fire Appliance Check	83.40
470.92	Fenland District Council Rates	501.42
180.00	FDC Premises Licence renewal	180.00
144.00	Fenland Leaisure Playing Field Inspection	
1,188.00	Fishlocks Ground Works on Playing Field	
1,020.00	Bowles Tree & Garden Services felling of tree on playing field entrance	
67.92	Bingo Books & Raffle Draw Ticket books	
210.00	Alan Clarke Electrical Ltd 5 yearly Inspection & Test on Village Hall	
500.00	Solicitors Fees for Merger	
8,448.00	Turners Roofing Contractors - roof repairs under insurance claim	
1,289.56	Gopack Ltd replacement tables for village hall	
204.00	Turners Roofing Contractors - subsequent roof repairs	102.00
1,620.30	T A Blackamore Ltd Murrow Playing Field Grass Cutting	1,669.80
985.00	Gary Matthew hall ceiling decoration claim for roof damage	
23.00	Replacement Kettle for hall	
	Repairs to play equipment	831.60
£ 20,152.61	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	7,099.09

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Balance sheet as at 31st December 2024

Opening Bank Balances at 1st January 2024	
Nat West Current Account	37,936.73
Nat West Raise the Roof Account	5,323.01
Cash in hand	413.33
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	43,673.07
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Income received	9,620.28
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Total	53,293.35
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Expenditure	(7,099.09)
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Current Funds Balance	<u><u>46,194.26</u></u>
Closing Bank Balances at 31st December 2024	
Nat West Current Account	19,954.24
Nat West Savings Account	25,779.04
Cash In Hand	460.98
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Total	<u><u>46,194.26</u></u>
Balance Sheet and Accounts Prepared by	
Yvonne Reader Treasurer	
Independently checked and verified	