

Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 4th April 2025

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Stainland and District Community Charity

Trustees' report for the year ended 4th April 2025

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its Trustees and advisors

Charity number 1202494 Registered in England and Wales

Trustees	Position	
Janice Booth	Chair	
Simon Bottomley	Treasurer	
Paul Bellenger		Resigned in 2025/6
Alison Deighton		
David Mitchell		Resigned in 2025/6
Joan Bottomley		Resigned in 2025/6
Vanessa Mayall		Appointed 25/3/2025

Registered address

The Old Library
Westgate
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Structure, governance and management

The charity was formed as a CIO on 27th March 2023 and registered with the Charity Commission using their template.

Method of recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The Trustees of the charity are drawn from Stainland and District Parish Council (SDPC) and local people to give a range of views and skills.

The charity's objects and activities

Operating within the Stainland area the charity was set up to take over the building that had been Stainland Library from Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council under a Community Asset Transfer (CAT) on a 125-year peppercorn lease. The object was to then carry out remedial work identified by a surveyor's report and to also upgrade the building for use as a community facility.

This would then be run as a Community Hall allowing different groups to hire as well as to promote events for the community.

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees of Stainland and District Community Charity have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements

The process of completing the CAT took 2 years to complete and our thanks must go to Locality for their support through this process. Initially the application was driven by the then chair of SDPC Guy Liddell and passed on to our Chair Jan Booth. None of what we have done could have been achieved without these two individuals. Thanks to the financial support of SDPC, for which we are very grateful, we were able to make this happen much quicker than anticipated.

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Work has continued to improve the condition of the building with the electrics having been brought up to current standards and a suspended ceiling fitted to improve heat retention. Ongoing issues with both damp and the floor have been addressed. There have been several successful events, some to raise funds such as the gin festival and Burns night, and others to encourage community involvement such as the D Day celebration. There was also an organised coach trip and meal to Lytham St Annes, which was principally funded by the charity.

Financial Review

To keep things simple for the future we have opted to file our accounts on a Receipts and Payments basis. In our first full year of operating the building we have had a very successful start. Generating income of £21.3k through hiring the hall and running a number of events that allowed us to increase our Unrestricted funds by £4.4k in the year and a cumulative of £7.4k.

We received Grants of £12.0k with the largest being from the National Lottery towards further development of our facilities. Smaller grants were received towards the ongoing improvement to the building and also to support events such as the D Day celebration.

The charity has no financial debts and its obligation to CMBC is to keep the building in a condition no worse than at the point of transfer.

This was a very good second set of accounts and sets the charity firmly on its way to being financially independent.

Reserves Policy

As a new charity our initial aim was to become financially self sufficient and to carry out the necessary improvements to the building. Therefore our initial aim was to have at least 6 months of core running costs, which we have at the end of the financial year.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Stainland and District Community Charity

No (if any)
1202494

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from	Period start date April 5th 2024	To	Period end date April 4th 2025
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Grants received		12,011	-	12,011	49,072
Room Hire	10,814		-	10,814	2,074
Events	9,596		-	9,596	2,308
Misc incl donations	865		-	865	875
Interest	48	-	-	48	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	21,323	12,011	-	33,334	54,329
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	21,323	12,011	-	33,334	54,329
A3 Payments					
Cleaning	837		-	837	-
Compliance incl legal	2,868	36	-	2,904	329
Equipment	1,434	281	-	1,715	1,834
Events	5,347	435	-	5,782	1,100
Insurance	1,133		-	1,133	1,184
IT/website	316	950	-	1,266	1,233
Misc costs	78			78	76
Print, Admin, Marketing etc	158	81	-	239	36
Repairs and renewals	3,730	7,781	-	11,511	38,149
Utilities - rates, Gas, Electric, Water & WiFi	987	1,857	-	2,844	1,351
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	16,888	11,421	-	28,309	45,292
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,888	11,421	-	28,309	45,292
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,435	590	-	5,025	9,037
A5 Transfers between funds	- 53	53	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,055	5,982	-	9,037	-
Cash funds this year end	7,437	6,625	-	14,062	9,037

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Stainland and District Community Charity

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 4 April 2025, which are filed using CC16a.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the charitable company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102)].

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Signed
Christopher Foley

23/02/2026

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