

# SISSINGHURST VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 1203326

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2023-05-31

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

## Contact

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**Address** Sissinghurst Village Hall  
St George's Meadow  
Sissinghurst  
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Kent  
TN17 2EW

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF SISSINGHURST AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD 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:** Trustees manage the running of the Village Hall for the benefit of the local community.

## Classification

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

## Geography

- Kent

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31		£0	£0	-
2023-12-31		£0	£0	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Catherine Elizabeth Thompson</b>	Chair	2025-07-15
Andrew Eric Fairweather		2025-06-19
Andrew Gareth William Stiff		2025-06-19
Clare Jennifer Cooper		2025-06-19
Helena Copsey		2025-06-19
JANET ASHLEY		2023-05-31
John Christopher Smith		2023-04-27
Michael Paul Davis		2025-06-19
Stuart William Hunt		2025-06-19

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# Accounts

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## Sissinghurst Village Hall Accounts to 31st December 2024

### General Purposes Fund

	2024	2023
<b>Receipts</b>		
Hiring charges	0.00	0.00
Regular Donations	0.00	0.00
One -off donations	0.00	0.00
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Payments</b>		
Water	0.00	0.00
Electricity	0.00	0.00
Insurance	0.00	0.00
Repairs & maintenance	0.00	0.00
Cleaner	0.00	0.00
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Movement in the year	0.00	0.00
Transfer from St Georges Institute	21,642.04	0.00
b.fwd	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
c.fwd	<u>21,642.04</u>	<u>0.00</u>

## Sissnghurst Village Hall: Hall Development Account

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
<b>Receipts</b>		
Interest	37.27	0
	<u>37.27</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Expenses</b>		
	0.00	0.00
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Movement in the year	37.27	0.00
Transfer from St Georges Institute	24,297.96	0.00
B fwd from previous year	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
C.Fwd	<u>£24,335.23</u>	<u>£0.00</u>

# Sissinghurst Village Hall - Statement of Assets and Liabilities

<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Bank and Cash Balance		
Bank current account	£5,940.00	£0.00
Bank savings account	£40,037.27	£0.00
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	£45,977.27	£0.00
Represented by:		
General Purposes Fund	£21,642.04	£0.00
Hall Devpt Fund	£24,335.23	£0.00
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	£45,977.27	£0.00

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNT AND STATEMENT**

In 2023 the committee took professional advice on the best structure for a village hall charity and, following that advice & a public meeting, changed from a simple charity ' St Georges Institute' (Charity no: 280355) to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, 'Sissinghurst Village Hall' (Charity no: 1203326).

In 2024, the majority of funds were transferred to Sissinghurst Village Hall. As a new hall was being built during the whole of this period (fully funded by the developer) there was no income or expenditure for the year.

## **APPROVAL OF THE ACCOUNTS**

Signed on behalf of the management committee.....  
Chairman

Chairman.....  



Print name: CATHERINE THOMPSON

Date: 22/10/25

## **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

I have examined the accounts of the Village Hall Charity for the year to 31st December 2024, together with the charity's accounting records and report that proper accounting records have been kept and the accounts are in agreement with those records.

Signed .....

Print name: Robin Beck  


Date: 26/3/2025



**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT for  
the period**

**From 01/01/2024 To 31/12/2024**

**SISSINGHURST VILLAGE HALL**

**Charity name: Sissinghurst Village  
Hall**

**Charity registration number:  
1203326**

**Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>Trustees manage the running of the Village Hall for the benefit of the local community.</b>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<b>The provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of Sissinghurst and the neighbourhood without 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 said inhabitants.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.</b>

**Achievements and Performance**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<b>The charity was formed on 23rd May 2023 as a CIO to replace the old village hall charity structure. During the period a new village hall was being built and as at 31.12.24 the new hall had not been completed. There has been no activity or achievements on which to report.</b>

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>During the year the majority of funds were transferred from the old St George's Institute charity (Charity no: 280355). There was no expenditure.</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>N/A</b>

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Trust deed</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>CIO</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<b>Trustees are elected</b>

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	<b>Sissinghurst Village Hall</b>
Other name the charity uses	<b>N/A</b>
Registered charity number	<b>1203326</b>
Charity's principal address	<b>Hillywood House Starvenden Lane Sissinghurst TN17 2AN</b>

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

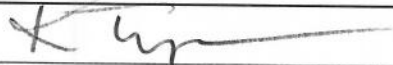
	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	John Smith	Chair		
2	Jan Ashley			
3	Lorraine Fairweather			
4	Tamsin Heard		resigned May'24	
5	Sue McAuley		resigned April'24	
6	Rebecca Smith		resigned May'24	
7	Peter Simpson		resigned May'24	
8	Christopher Page		appointed May'24	

### Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

### Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.  
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) 

Full name(s) CATHERINE THOMPSON

Position(eg Sec, Chair) CHAIR

Date 22/10/25



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
**FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

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**2023**

**Receipts**

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Insurance	0.00
Repairs & maintenance	0.00
Cleaner	0.00
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Bank current account	0
Bank savings account	0
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	£0.00
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Represented by:	
General Purposes Fund	0.00
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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNT AND STATEMENT**

During the course of the year the committee took professional advice on the best structure for a village hall charity and, following that advice & a public meeting, changed from a simple charity ' St Georges Institute' (Charity no: 280355) to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, 'Sissinghurst Village Hall' (Charity no: 1203326). However, at the year-end 31.12.23, all funds remained with St Georges Institute and are disclosed in their accounts.

**APPROVAL OF THE ACCOUNTS**

Signed on behalf of the management committee.....  
Chairman  25/9/24

Chairman.....  


Print name: JOHN SMITH .



**SISSINGHURST VILLAGE HALL**

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**From 23/05/23 To 31/12/23**

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## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>As at the year-end there was no financial activity for the charity. All funds were still held within the old St George's Institute charity (Charity no: 280355)</b>
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Signature(s)

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Full name(s)

JOHN SMITH

Position(eg Sec, Chair)

CHAIRMAN

Date

24/7/24



**CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**