

Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
From	Period start date			To	Period end date	
	01	April	2024		31	March

## Section A Reference and administration details

<b>Charity name</b>	Stocklinch Community Association		
<b>Other names charity is known by</b>			
<b>Registered charity number (if any)</b>	1203434		
<b>Charity's principal address</b>	The Village Hall		
	Stocklinch		
	Ilminster		
<b>Postcode</b>	TA19 9JG		

### 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	Russell Kent	Chair		
2	Barry Hooper	Vice Chair		
3	Mike Dobson	Treasurer		
4	Julie Roberts	Secretary		
5	Rob Rainbow			
6	Susi Mount			
7	Deanne Campbell			
8	Gail Hooper			
9	Ann Kent			
10	Sam James			
11	Katherine Crowle			
12	Caitlin Faulkner			
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

## Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

## Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Open to nomination of Stocklinch parishioners and voted on by Trustees

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

#### Policies:

- Complaints
- Fire Safety
- Health & Safety
- Finance & Insurance
- Risk Management
- Safeguarding
- Hall Hiring

#### Relationships (each with an associate [non-voting] member:

- Stocklinch Parish Council
- PCC of St Mary Magdalen Church, Stocklinch

## Section C Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO (Objects) are, for the benefit of the public:

(a) To operate and maintain a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the parish of Stocklinch in Somerset, regardless of political, religious or other opinions, or of gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality or race, including use for:

(i) meetings, lectures and classes; and

(ii) other forms of recreation and leisure-time activities, with the

<p>object of improving life for the said inhabitants</p> <p>and for the avoidance of doubt, the CIO may also arrange or make provision for such activities as aforesaid whether held in the village hall or elsewhere in the village;</p> <p>(b) To promote the preservation of St Mary Magdalen Church, Stocklinch by supporting the upkeep and repair of the fabric of the building, fixtures, fittings and the grounds of the church</p>	<p>All of the above objects</p>
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**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

## Section D Achievements and performance

This is the second annual report since Stocklinch Community Association (SCA) was formed. Our constitution, in summary, sets out our 'Objects' as:

- To operate and maintain the village hall (on behalf of the owner, Stocklinch Parish Council [SPC]), for recreational etc. purposes, and to facilitate activities in the village hall or elsewhere in the village, and
- To assist the Parochial Church Council (PCC) with the upkeep of the fabric of St Mary Magdalen church, Stocklinch.

We continue to have a full complement of trustees – 12, plus a non-voting representative for each of the PCC and SPC. We've held quarterly meetings throughout the year and our AGM will be on 26th April 2025. Stocklinch residents are encouraged to contribute to these meetings.

We are fiscally sound and our treasurer will provide details in his annual report. Suffice to say, at the end of the financial year, our accounts showed a balance of £29373.86, of which £11534.58 is ring-fenced for use for PCC projects and £195.29 are funds of Stocklinch History Group which we hold for them. This leaves £17643.99 to be used for our other responsibilities next year.

We invested in several new double-glazed UPVC windows and doors. This was necessary because some were old and failing. We now have openings that are water-tight, capable of opening and closing properly, will reduce the risk of damp, improve aesthetics, enhance security - the latter has also meant a reduction in our insurance premium – and improve disabled access/egress.

In common with other properties in Stocklinch, the hall was not immune to a 'flash flood' that occurred in January. But water ingress was minimal (into the porch and inner lobby), and there is no doubt that it would have been worse if SPC and various villagers hadn't, previously, spent considerable time and effort in ensuring the main drainage ditch was kept clear. SPC has since hosted village-wide consultations about ways of reducing the risks further and we are involved in those discussions.

We are currently investigating potentially expensive matters: i) to comply with regulations, and in the interests of the safety of village hall users, there is a need to enhance our fire safety and prevention measures. Following a survey by Chubb Ltd (no charge as we already have a extinguisher servicing contract with them), we believe we need a mains fire alarm system (we presently only have battery operated smoke detectors) and additional emergency lighting, ii) internal wood panelling along one side of the hall is showing signs of rot, and iii) repointing needs to be done to paving slabs. We are getting quotes for all and when these are known we will need to

ensure we have funding in place for them and routine running costs. In short, we will need to monitor spending and are likely to need to up our game in terms of fundraising.

At our request, the Chubb report also addressed the matter of occupancy/capacity levels in the hall for various events, functions etc. and we are currently working our way through some complicated formulae to arrive at safe and practical solutions.

Our trustees agreed a range of policy documents which have been implemented. These have formalised much of what we were already doing and embrace good practise suggested by the Charity Commission. Each has a 'lead' trustee who is responsible for ongoing compliance checks and an annual review. Subject to the above comments, the Chubb survey found our fire safety policy documents meet their standards.

During the year we set up a working group to investigate village communications. While we don't 'own' this subject, our trustees believe we have a significant role to play as we are one of the main village communicators. Their report found that while existing arrangements overall worked well there were a few 'tweaks' that could improve things. This is still work in progress but will include ongoing liaison with David Tucker re the great work he does for all of us in circulating emails etc. and maintaining the village website, and an 'Information Sheet' that will go to all households (service providers, etc.) and will be a benefit to all, particularly new arrivals.

Numerous events have been staged in the hall over the last year – all well attended – including the annual Panto (again written again by Rob Rainbow and involving many Stocklinchers), the now also annual 'Quiz & Chips' (Jen & John) and Murder Mystery (Gail & Barry) events were big hits. We are currently working on a programme for this year. Regular use includes table tennis, keep fit, SPC and history group meetings.

We have supported the work of the PCC in maintaining the fabric of the building and grounds of our beautiful church. This has included contributions to internal plastering, repairs to the organ and tree works.

Finally, I'd like to convey my thanks to fellow trustees and co-opted members for their continuing support to our small village community – none of what we do would happen without their ongoing commitment.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

## Section E Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

We ensure funds are available for a minimum of 12 months maintenance/running costs of the village hall.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

Nil

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Section F Other optional information

## Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

<b>Signature(s)</b>	R Kent	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Russell Stuart KENT	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	
<b>Date</b>	28 April 2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Stocklinch Community Association

No (if any)  
1203434

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

Period start date  
01.04.2024

To

Period end date  
31/03/2025

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	1 460	-	-	1 460	1 386
Fund Raising	3 992	-	-	3 992	2 131
Solar Panels	1 351	-	-	1 351	1 087
Interest	402	-	-	402	241
Hall Hire	300	-	-	300	40
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>7 505</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7 505</b>	<b>4 885</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>7 505</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7 505</b>	<b>4 885</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Insurance	621	-	-	621	551
light and heat	415	-	-	415	301
Water	192	-	-	192	109
Fund raising Expenses	865	-	-	865	1 200
TV Licence	170	-	-	170	159
Repairs	558	-	-	558	-
Double Glazing	4 740	-	-	4 740	-
Church Expenses	4 510	-	-	4 510	-
Misc	1 601	-	-	1 601	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>13 672</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13 672</b>	<b>2 320</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>13 672</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13 672</b>	<b>2 320</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 6 167</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 6 167</b>	<b>2 565</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>- 6 167</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 6 167</b>	<b>2 565</b>



## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	National Westminster Interest account	27 774	-	-
	National Westminster Current Account	2 700	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>30 474</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	