

LINTON VILLAGE HALL TRUST
REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st OCTOBER 2025

REFERENCE & ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Name	Linton Village Hall Trust
Registered Charity Number	1203741
Contact Address	Linton Village Hall, Linton, Ross-on-Wye HR9 7RS
Trustees	Carol Wood (Chair), Timothy Baldwin (Secretary), Paul Squires (Treasurer), Sally Boyland, Elizabeth Davies, Claire Hodgson, Barbara Isle, Ernst Zillekens.

TRUSTEES' REPORT - FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st OCTOBER 2025

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 October 2025. The trustees have adopted the Receipts & Payments method of accounts presentation.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity was Registered on 26th June 2023 as a CIO with the purpose of replacing Linton Village Hall Committee (Charity 520967). The Charity has identical Charitable Objects to Linton Village Hall Committee which had been responsible for maintaining and operating the village hall since the 1960s. The Charity Commission approved the new charity and the transfer of funds from the old charity ahead of its closure.

Recruitment & Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are selected from those living in or near the village of Linton who are willing to serve and support the ongoing operation and maintenance of the Village Hall.

Organisational structure

The Trustees are the decision-making body of the Charity. The administration of the Charity is carried out by the Trustees.

Charitable Objects

The Village Hall is for the use of the inhabitants of Linton and the neighbourhood without distinction of sex or of political, religious or other opinions and in particular for use for meetings, lectures, classes, and for other forms of recreational and leisure time occupations with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

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Activities & Achievements

Through the efforts of the Charity and its supporters Linton Village Hall is operated as a venue to serve the local community in line with its Charitable Objects.

The Hall may be booked by individuals, groups, clubs and societies for a wide range of purposes. In the period covered by this report these included use for Yoga, T'ai Chi and Art classes, a Weavers group, the Linton Brownies, Parish Council meetings, Linton & District History Society lectures, Church meetings, as a walking group meeting point, birthday parties, funeral gatherings and the community lunch club. The hall is also hired for use as a Polling Station.

The Hall is the venue for regular community events organised by the Committee including live music & theatre shows, some of which are supported by Arts Alive, in addition, in the last year, to a VE Day celebration, coffee mornings and quiz evenings organised by & in aid of both St Mary's Church and Friends of Linton Yews.

To raise additional funds the Committee, with the help of many volunteers, sold cake at the Summer Sessions event, held by the Alma Inn in September and held various other fund-raising events during the year. Thanks go to all those who make such events possible.

The Hall has received kind donations from individuals, the Summer Sessions music event and the local community lunch club.

The Trustees would like to thank all of our volunteers and helpers, all those who book and use the Hall and those who attend events which take place there as it is vital that the building continues to be well used and enjoyed by as wide an audience as possible.

Financial Review

The charity received the entire assets of Linton Village Hall Committee (Charity 520967) in June 2024 amounting to £65,865 by transfer, as notified to the Charity Commission in October 2024, and noted on the charity record by the Commission as of 23rd January 2025.

The attached Accounts cover the year ended 31st October 2025 with comparative figures for the year ended 31st October 2024. As noted in last year's Report & Accounts, for purposes of clarity and comparison the income & expenditure for the full year from 1st November 2023 to 31st October 2024 are shown as the comparative to this year's figures.

The Accounts show the distinction between the General Fund (held to meet the general operating expenses of the hall on a day-to-day basis) and the Property Refurbishment Fund (held for the long-term maintenance of and improvements to the Hall). Both these Funds are Discretionary. A surplus of £2,946 was achieved within the General Fund for the year (£4,913 for the prior year). Expenditure of £6,581 was made from the Refurbishment Fund (£3,580 in the prior year).

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Financial Review continued.

At the end of the year the Trustees agreed a transfer of £25,000 from General Reserves to the Refurbishment Fund Reserves.

The Charity received notification from HM Land Registry dated 2nd October 2025 that with effect from 22nd July 2024 the Charity gained Registered Legal Title to Linton Village Hall and the associated land. Such Legal Title was held previously by Linton Parish Council (as bare legal owner of unregistered title) with the Charity (and its predecessor charity, Linton Village Hall Committee) holding the Beneficial Title since the 1960's. Legal (Possessory) Title was vested in the Charity upon incorporation as a CIO for no monetary consideration and therefore no value is shown in the attached Accounts.

The Land Registry Title notes a Restriction on disposition of the legal estate. The Trustees understand this to mean that the Land & Building can only be used for the Charity's Objects as noted earlier in this report. Due to this restriction the Trustees do not consider it helpful to estimate a commercial value of the property. This paragraph in the Report which accompanies the Accounts is intended to make clear to readers that the Land & Building known as Linton Village Hall is a capital asset of the Charity.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees agreed at a meeting in May 2025 that a General Fund Reserve should be maintained between £4,000 and £8,000 as a minimum, and a Property Refurbishment Fund Reserve should be maintained between £10,000 and £15,000 as a minimum. Higher levels than these figures are quite acceptable to the Trustees given the nature of the Charity's activities; primarily to operate and maintain an old building (The Village Hall) for the long-term, to meet the Charity's objects.

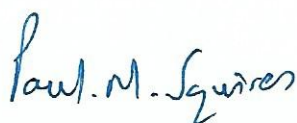
Governance Costs

As all administrative efforts are voluntary, the Governance Costs for the year were £Nil.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



Mrs C Wood
Chair



Mr P Squires
Treasurer

Dated 17th January 2026

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Charity Number 1203741
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (the Trust") for the year ended 31st October 2025 set out on pages 5 & 6.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 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 which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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:

Amanda A Smith FCA

Dated 5th January 2026

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**General Fund - Income & Expenditure
for the year ended 31/10/2025**

Income	This Year	Last Year
Hire of Hall	4,483	4,146
Hire of Equipment	60	98
Events & Fundraising	3,913	4,610
100 Club	666	722
Donations Received	845	556
Electric Meter	173	177
Other	0	12
Bank Interest	1,221	852
Total Income	11,362	11,173

Expenditure	This Year	Last Year
Electricity	1,264	1,352
Insurance Premium	1,254	1,219
Maintenance & Repairs	1,599	240
Cleaning	2,470	2,118
Equipment	0	268
Licences	183	245
Fire Precautions	0	193
Water	89	66
Advertising	526	60
Gardening	435	0
Wifi	497	497
Miscellaneous Expenses	99	2
Total Expenditure	8,416	6,260

Net Income	2,946	4,913
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Details of Events & Fundraising Surpluses	This Year	Last Year
Music / Theatre Events	2,366	1,671
Bar at 2 Foly Quiz evenings	275	0
VE Day Tea	322	0
Summer Sessions Cake Tent	290	394
Coffee Morning	54	0
Teas & Cakes at Greener Living Show	190	0
Xmas Coffee Morning	417	0
Festival Tea & Cake Tent	0	1,639
Festival Breakfasts	0	906
Total	3,913	4,610

Expenditure through Refurbishment Fund	This Year	Last Year
Improved Audi-visual & Theatre Equipment	3,745	0
Repairs to Fire Exit / Damp issues	2,106	0
New Handrail to front steps	730	0
Legal Fee (Gabbs) re. CIO Formation	0	2,476
Repairs to Porch	0	1,104
Total	6,581	3,580

Opening & Closing Position of Funds

General Fund	This Year	Last Year
Opening position at 1st November	32,578	31,664
Surplus in the Year	2,946	4,913
Transfer to Refurbishment Fund	-25,000	-4,000
Closing Position at 31st October	10,524	32,578

Refurbishment Fund		
Opening position at 1st November	33,487	33,067
(Expenditure) in the Year	-6,581	-3,580
Transfer from General Fund	25,000	4,000
Closing Position at 31st October	51,906	33,487

Reconciliation of Assets & Funds	This Year	Last Year
Bank Current Account	9,836	25,252
Bank Deposit Account - 32 day	25,636	25,087
Bank Deposit Account - 95 day	25,729	15,057
Total Bank Accounts	61,201	65,396
Cash on Hand	888	500
Bar Stock	341	168
Total Assets	62,430	66,065

General Fund	10,524	32,578
Refurbishment Fund	51,906	33,487
Total Funds	62,430	66,065