

## **Shoscombe Village Hall**

Charity number: 213997

### **Annual Report**

1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021

#### **Governance**

Shoscombe Social Welfare Centre and Recreation Ground is registered with the Charity Commission under a Scheme approved by the Commission on 30 August 1973. This document states that the Trustees of the Charity shall be Shoscombe Parish Council and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Parish Council are listed as the Trustees on the Charity Commission website. The Village Hall and Recreation Ground are managed by the Village Hall Committee which is a sub-committee of the Parish Council.

#### **Charitable Objects**

The object of the Charity is the '*provision and maintenance of the Village Hall and Recreation Ground for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Shoscombe and the neighbourhood thereof .... without distinction of sex or of political, religious or other opinions, and in particular for use for meetings, lectures, classes, physical exercise and other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.*'

#### **Activities**

The village hall is available to hire at very reasonable rates and hosts exercise classes, music rehearsals, live music events, dog training classes and table tennis sessions on a regular basis. In addition the hall is used for a wide range of private social events including weddings, children's parties and business meetings. The recreation ground is open to the public during daylight hours and is used for informal games of football, cricket and boules as well as kite flying and dog walking. There is a children's play area which is maintained by the Parish Council.

#### **Fund Raising**

The Village Hall Committee has a licence to run a lottery known as 'The 100 Club'. Members make a monthly payment, normally of £5, and all the names are entered into a monthly draw. Each month prizes of £100, £50 and £40 are awarded. The committee also organises a number of annual events including a flower sale, a village day, and a cider day which bring in additional income.

#### **Licences**

The hall has a local authority licence for the sale of alcohol and a PPL PRS licence for live and recorded music.

#### **Insurance**

The Parish Council maintains an insurance policy with respect to the village hall which provides £10,000,000 of public liability cover.

#### **VAT**

In order to reclaim the VAT on major items of expenditure, the Parish Council pays these bills having received the full amount, including VAT, from the Village Hall Committee. The PC then reclaims the VAT and makes a donation to the VHC equal to the cost of the VAT. As of 1 April 2021 the VHC has paid £25,540.80p to the PC for building works and is therefore expecting to receive a donation of £4,256.80p in due course.

### **COVID-19**

The village hall has been out of action for most of the year because of government lockdown restrictions. This has severely curtailed our income through hall lettings and events, resulting in loss of around £7,500. However, over the year we have received £20,636 in government funded grants that have been distributed by BANES to cover losses due to the disruption.

### **Donations**

Over the past year we have received a donation of £1,000 from the Parish Council to help with the building works. The Boules Club has also made a donation of £190.

### **Events**

Although it was not possible to run any events in the village hall during the year, the plant sale went ahead in May and June using tables and honesty boxes outside committee members' houses. This event was very successful and brought in an income of some £750.

### **Building Works**

The roof was re-clad in 2019-20 and in the current year this treatment was extended to include the re-cladding and insulation of all the external walls. While this work was being undertaken it was discovered that the dwarf walls supporting the south elevation were in a poor state and these were rebuilt and rotten joist ends to the main hall floor replaced. The collapsed floor in the storage area was also replaced and a new floor was installed in the entrance hall. The wall recladding cost some £12.5k excluding VAT and the other works £8.5k excluding VAT.

## Financial Summary

### Assets at 31st March 2021

NatWest Main Account	12,923.26
NatWest 100 Club Account	5,907.33
Event Float	250.00
Cash	0.00
Owed to the Cricket Club	-2,748.69
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,331.90</b>

### Annual Income

Hall lettings	2,447.00
100 Club subscriptions	3,800.00
Donations	1,205.97
Events	799.62
BANES Covid Grants	20,636.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28,888.59</b>

### Annual Expenditure

100 Club prizes	2,040.00
Building works	25,540.80
Cleaning	1,050.00
Cleaning materials	18.98
Licencing fees	90.00
Miscellaneous	128.82
Repairs & maintenance	241.05
Utilities - electricity	669.86
Utilities - water	71.82
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29,851.33</b>



# CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Shoscombe Social Welfare Centre and Recreation Ground

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 March 2021

Charity no  
(if any)

213997

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/3/2021

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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~\*) in connection with the examination which gives 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

*John Richards*

Date:

16<sup>th</sup> November 2021

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qualification(s) or body  
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.