

EARL STONHAM VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 225172

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1965-09-22

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

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Activities

Objects: TO BE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF PHYSICAL AND MENTAL TRAINING AND RECREATION AND SOCIAL AND MORAL AND INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF READING AND RECREATION ROOMS LIBRARY LECTURES CLASSES RECREATIONS AND ENTERTAINMENTS OR OTHERWISE AS MAY BE FOUND EXPEDIENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF EARL STONHAM AND ITS IMMEDIATE VICINITY.

Activities: Village Hall facilities for the use of the parish of Earl Stonham and the immediate vicinity.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** PARISH OF EARL STONHAM AND ITS IMMEDIATE VICINITY
- Suffolk

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£20,222	£17,402	-	-
2024-03-31	£22,739	£15,146	-	-
2023-03-31	£19,167	£14,691	-	-
2022-03-31	£27,470	£23,652	-	-
2021-03-31	£50,214	£59,542	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Anthony Turner	Chair	
Anne Perkins		2017-01-01
Barbara Heard		2020-07-27
Edward William Battle O'Connell		2020-07-27
Margaret Craig Anthony		
Mark Gillett		2020-07-27
Ruth Ellen Mann		2025-08-04

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Earl Stonham Village Hall Annual Report - 2021-22

With the gradual easing of Covid restrictions over the last year, in recent months hall use has been almost back to pre-covid levels but we have still ended the year several thousand pounds down on our normal rental income. Fortunately this has been offset by a further government business continuity grant and income from pub nights, so our overall financial position remains comfortable.

As reported in the last annual report, the Committee have been focussing on taming the wild area behind the hall to produce a tranquil outdoor space. This is now mostly complete and it has been named in honour of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a formal opening ceremony planned to coincide with the Jubilee celebrations in June.

Quiz nights have continued over the year with them returning to face-to-face in June. David Wicks took a break from quiz-mastering and Norman Davis has again joined the team.

Pub nights continue to be popular and make a significant contribution to hall finances.

Despite all the concerns around Covid in November and December, the STG pantomime went ahead with a live audience - albeit rather reduced in numbers.

One concern for the next financial year is the massive increase in electricity costs that we are facing. The per-unit cost will increase by almost 120% in April and it looks unlikely that this can be absorbed within the current hire rates, so an increase in the Autumn looks inevitable. The only consolation is that prior to installing the new heating, the per-hour cost to run the old heating would have been an eye-watering £6 per hour!

Tony Turner
Chairman - Earl Stonham Village Hall Management Committee

Earl Stonham Village Hall Management Committee

Registered Charity 225172

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st March 2022

	2022			2021		
	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total
Bank opening balance - TSB			17,707			8,221
Close Bros			8,354			27,168
Total	23,949	2,113	26,061	25,559	9,831	35,389
Receipts						
Hall lettings	5,934		5,934	1,051		1,051
Electricity meter			-	64		64
R&R including Key Monies	20		20			
Recycling Monies	374		374	338		338
Fund Raising		4,969	4,969		1,259	1,259
Misc	29		29			
Quiz	589		589	1,119		1,119
Bar	1,322		1,322	609		609
Water			-	306		306
Donations-Variou	796		796	585		585
Amazon	42		42	40		40
Outstanding Deposit	138		138			
Grants		12,559	12,559		44,817	44,817
Jubilee	700		700			
Commission	(2)		(2)			
Intrest Close Bros				26		26 *
Total receipts	9,942	17,528	27,470	4,138	46,076	50,214
Payments						
Cleaning wages	1,515		1,515	440		440
Booking clerk	305		305	200		200
Cleaning expenses	22		22	220		220
Window cleaner	155		155	205		205
Electricity	890		890	1,044		1,044
Water	169		169	306		306
Insurance	1,009		1,009	1,068		1,068
Business rates			-			-
Performing Rights Society	132		132	309		309
Annual fee Soc Lotteries	20		20	20		20
Premises licence	70		70	70		70
Repairs and renewals	3,388		3,388	684		684
Sundries	126		126	14		14
Quiz donations	315		315	821		821
Bar purchases	558		558	347		347
Fund Raising Exp		770	770		268	268
Hall refurbishment costs		14,208	14,208		53,526	53,526
			-			-
	8,674	14,978	23,652	5,748	53,794	59,542
Surplus/(Deficit)	1,268	2,550	3,818	(1,610)	(7,718)	(9,328)
Ending bank balances TSB account			11,525			17,707
Close Brothers account			18,354			8,354
	25,217	4,663	29,879	23,949	2,113	26,061
TSB Bank statement			11,824			
Unpresented payments			299			
As spreadsheet balance above			11,525			

Balance check

Angela Hayward Accountant



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Earl Stonham Village Hall

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

225172

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2022^{YYY}.

**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:

Angela Hayward Accountant

Date:

04/08/2022

Name:

Angela Hayward

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ACA

Address:

17 High Street, Needham Market, Ipswich IP6 8AL

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.

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Along with all other similar establishments, it has been a very chequered year, with hardly any bookings and all our normal events cancelled. As I write this in April however, it does look like there might be light at the end of the tunnel with limited re-opening possible from mid-May. Of course it remains to be seen how long it takes for everyone to feel confident about meeting face to face again but you can rest assured that the hall committee will do all that is necessary to provide a safe environment for all our users.

As they say, every cloud has a silver lining and in the case of the hall, the forced closure and availability of both Covid business continuity grants and a capital grant from Mis Suffolk District Council, together with the money we have raised through fundraising provided the necessary funding to proceed with the long awaited refurbishment of the main hall. A huge amount of the work was done by volunteers and the savings made by not having to pay specialists and getting much better prices on materials, meant that we ended up being able to do far more work than originally planned.

The original scope of work was all completed as planned, including the new roof, air source heat pump heating, new suspended ceiling and lighting, the new beech semi sprung floor, new audio video system and curtains including black-out blinds. In addition to these main items, we also managed to complete the following:

Improved under-stage storage

Timber cladding of the external gable end wall

A new PA system

New padded chairs

Plaster-boarding the rear corridor ceiling

New entrance mats and stage carpet - thanks to a donation from the Stonham Theatre Guild

The other major improvement has been to the car park entrance. Even with the additional items above, we still had some of the original funding left over and with the Parish Council and Earl Stonham Trust contributing to the work, as well as funding from our District Councillor locality budget, this gave us sufficient funds to rebuild 100sq m of the drive and improve areas of the main car park itself. This also allowed us to move the recycling bins nearer the entrance which has freed up car park space.

We have managed to keep the village quiz nights running on Zoom and thanks to David Wicks and John Jones for their quiz-master help. Hopefully before too long we will be able to return to face to face quizzes in the hall.

Tony Turner

Chairman - Earl Stonham Village Hall Management Committee

Never content to rest on our laurels, the committee are now planning on tackling the 'wild' area behind the hall. This has been an eyesore for a long time and we want to make it into a useful and restful area that can be used by villagers. We plan to put up a fence along the ditch as this is very deep and a risk to children, clear the rest of the area and remove all the rubble and rubbish and then plant some attractive trees, plant a grass area and provide seating. As always, a project like this works best with village involvement and help so if you have any ideas or suggestions, can help with any of the work or even with loaning some of the necessary equipment, the committee would really like to hear from you!

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of Earl Stonham Village Hall

I report on the financial statements of the trust for the year ended 31st March 2021. This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees) are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the '2011 Act') and that an independent examination is needed. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b)^ of the 2011 Act; and
- state where particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities
- have not been met; or

b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



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31st March 2022