

# **The Prestwood Village Hall**

Charity number 226409

**Trustees Accounts  
for the Year ended  
30th September 2025**

## **The Prestwood Village Hall**

### **Report of the trustees for the year ending 30 September 2025**

The charity was established by Trust Deed dated 15th October 1925 and is registered with the Charity Commissioners under number 226409. The charity's address is The Village Hall, Wycombe Road, Prestwood, Great Missenden, Buckinghamshire, HP16 0NZ.

The trustees who served from 1 October 2024 to the date of approval of this report were:-

Ms W Davis Chairman

Mr M Poole

Mr N Corteen (Resigned 11 November 2024)

Mr C Nicol

Mr M Cunnane

Mr D Yorston

Mr M Wingrove (Appointed 11 November 2024)

Ms A Martin (Appointed 11 November 2024)

As Chairman of the Trustees, I have completed to my satisfaction a risk assessment of the Trustees, Consultant and Management Committee.

The charity is administered by a management committee whose officer members were during the year: -

Mr M Cunnane Chairman

Mr R Scott Treasurer

Ms D Pullin Booking Secretary

Ms S King

Ms K Pither

Mr L Newman

Management committee members are elected or appointed on an annual basis at the annual public meeting held in November each year. The officers are elected from the membership of the management committee.

### **Objects, Organisation and Activities**

The charity is established to provide a village hall to be used for any charitable purpose or purposes calculated to promote the moral intellectual or physical improvement or welfare or the reasonable recreation advantage or benefit of the inhabitants of the village of Prestwood.

The charity is organised by a board of trustees representing local residents with a management committee comprising elected and co-opted members. Activities include the provision of the village hall as a permanent community facility and providing a variety of enhancements as funds permit from time to time.

Trustees are co-opted by existing trustees and are provided with all the information they require to fulfil their role.

## **The Prestwood Village Hall**

### **Annual report for the year to 30th September 2025 (continued)**

#### **Review of progress and achievements**

Another busy year for the Trustees and Management Committee of the Prestwood Village Hall is over. It seems that the demand for our beloved Community Facility grows year on year, both from our regular hirers and from the local families and irregular groups who choose to use the Hall for parties, meetings and other celebrations. We realise that there are a number of other well run facilities in the near vicinity and we thank our customers for making use of our Hall as it approaches its Centenary year in 2028.

Very active fitness classes, dance troupes, karate, our resident Prestwood Players acting group sit alongside more sedate, luncheon clubs, church groups, toddlers, bridge, art & craft classes, our very active Gardening Society and our expanding wine tasting society, just to name a few of our regular hirers. These are the mainstay of our income and with continued rising pressures on all aspects of our operational costs, we need this regular activity to continue.

Where we are truly fortunate are the smaller groups and families who fill in the gaps and who are often really accommodating to flex around our busy calendar, to meet their dates for private party or meetings. Each hour that we are busy, enables us to invest in and maintain our lovely old building. Unlike a retailer, we can't put an empty afternoon on the shelf and sell it next month. Once it's gone it's gone for good. Our website, online calendar and booking Secretary are key to us getting the most efficient use of our availability and maximising our revenues.

This has been key in the last 12-18 months as we continue to invest, maintain and upgrade our facilities. We take our Fire and Safety responsibilities very seriously and have made extensive investments in our facilities to ensure compliance with all the latest changes in regulations and recommendations for the hall. These have included replacement fire doors, a new serving hatch and new extraction hood in the kitchen. We have also improved disabled access with new external ramps and pathways which are due to be finished in the next FY.

All of this has been funded through our operational trading activities and we haven't had to draw down from our Investment Funds at all. We know that our former Chair of Trustees, Michael Hoy, who sadly died in the past year, would have approved of our Financial management. We are very grateful for his services over the years and thank him and the family for their generous donation.

The Management Committee volunteer alongside the trustees and we are always grateful for the time, effort and enthusiasm. As I mentioned last year we are always looking for new volunteers to join us and we welcome those new people who joined us last year and thank those who have retired or moved on to other things or out of the village.

## **The Prestwood Village Hall**

### **Annual report for the year to 30th September 2025 (continued)**

#### **Finances**

The attached Financial Statements show the current situation with our finances, which the Trustees and Management Committee consider to be sound. The Charity's bankers are TSB Bank plc. The Independent Examiner of our accounts is Nigel Hughes of Totteridge Associates Ltd and we thank him once again for acting for us.

Wendy Davis

On behalf of the trustees

Date: 28 February 2026

## The Prestwood Village Hall

### Statement of Financial Activities for the year to 30th September 2025

	Notes	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total £	2024 £
<b>Income</b>					
Donations and grants	2	1,000		1,000	8,000
Charges for hall hire		33,941		33,941	31,148
Interest on deposit account			747	747	772
		34,941	747	35,688	39,920
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Provision of hall facilities					
Heat and light		6,006		6,006	4,494
Rates		319		319	124
Water		329		329	366
Insurances		1,496		1,496	1,584
Caretaker and cleaning		6,709		6,709	5,560
Repairs & Maintenance		20,290		20,290	4,975
Licences		208		208	100
Depreciation		2,181		2,181	2,025
		37,538		37,538	19,228
Other charitable activities					2,558
Management & administration		2,298		2,298	3,238
Independent examiner's fee		350		350	350
	4	2,648		2,648	3,588
Total Expenditure		40,186		40,186	25,374
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		(5,245)	747	(4,498)	14,546
Fund balances brought forward		1,187,365	54,478	1,241,843	1,227,297
Fund balances carried forward		1,182,120	55,225	1,237,345	1,241,843

# **The Prestwood Village Hall**

## **Balance sheet at 30 September 2025**

	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2025 £</b>	<b>2024 £</b>
Tangible Fixed Assets	6		
Village Hall		1,160,000	1,160,000
Equipment		13,344	13,965
		<u>1,173,344</u>	<u>1,173,965</u>
Deposit account for future repairs		<u>55,225</u>	<u>54,478</u>
Debtors – due from hirers of the hall		2,427	1,880
Prepayments		415	439
Current account		<u>7,478</u>	<u>11,908</u>
		10,320	14,227
Creditors	7	(1,544)	(827)
Net current assets		<u>8,776</u>	<u>13,400</u>
Net Assets		<u>1,237,345</u>	<u>1,241,843</u>
General purposes fund		8,776	13,400
Fixed asset fund		<u>1,173,344</u>	<u>1,173,965</u>
		1,182,120	1,187,365
Reserve designated for future repairs	9	55,225	54,478
		<u>1,237,345</u>	<u>1,241,843</u>

These accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Wendy Davis

Trustee

Date: 28 February 2026

# **The Prestwood Village Hall**

## **Notes to the accounts for the year to 30th September 2025**

### **1) Accounting Policies**

#### **General**

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for the revaluation of the premises and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the statement of recommended practice on accounting by charities.

#### **Incoming resources**

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivables basis. Hirers' deposits and payments in advance are deferred until the accounting period when the relevant event takes place.

#### **Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided on the equipment at the following rates based on the estimated useful life of these fixed assets and their anticipated residual value:-

Equipment until fully depreciated 10%, Straight line

Freehold land and buildings 0%

#### **Valuation of premises**

The village hall is valued at replacement cost, based on periodic valuations. The latest valuation was carried out by Messrs Jaggard Macland in November 2021. Revaluation surpluses are taken to the Fixed Asset Reserve.

#### **Repairs, renewals and upgrading**

Purchases of separately identifiable equipment used in the hall's activities are capitalised and depreciated as stated above.

Expenditure to upgrade the hall's facilities to enhance compliance with best practice relevant to accessibility, fire safety, etc. is written off as incurred.

#### **Reserves**

The trustees have set aside funds for future repairs, to be added to when funds permit. Movements on the reserve for future repairs are stated in note 9.

### **2) Donations and grants**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grant from HS2		8,000
Legacy from deceased former trustee	1,000	
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	1,000	8,000
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## The Prestwood Village Hall

### Notes to the accounts for the year to 30th September 2025 (continued)

#### 3) Employees' Remuneration

	2025 £	2024 £
Caretaker's fees to 31 July 2024		5,544
<b>Committee members:</b>		
Booking Secretary's fees (to 30 June 2024 )		1,350
Caretaker/Booking Secretary's fees	6,990	970
	<u>6,990</u>	<u>7,864</u>

#### 4) Management and administration of the charity

	2025 £	2024 £
Independent examiner's fee	350	350
Booking secretary's fee	750	1,800
Committee and administrative expenses	1,548	1,438
	<u>2,648</u>	<u>3,588</u>

#### 5) Trustees' and Management Committee expenses

The Committee Member who acted as bookings secretary and caretaker for the charity received the remuneration as disclosed in note 3 above.

No remuneration was paid to any trustee, any other committee member or any 'connected person' in either the year under review or the previous year.

#### 6) Tangible Fixed assets

	Hall £	Equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost/Valuation</b>			
at 30 September 2024	1,160,000	29,292	1,189,292
Additions		1,560	1,560
At 30 September 2025	<u>1,160,000</u>	<u>30,852</u>	<u>1,190,852</u>
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>			
at 30 September 2024		15,327	15,327
Charge for the year		2,181	2,181
at 30 September 2025	-	<u>17,508</u>	<u>17,508</u>
Net book value	<u>1,160,000</u>	<u>13,344</u>	<u>1,173,344</u>
at 30 September 2025			
at 30 September 2024	<u>1,160,000</u>	<u>13,965</u>	<u>1,173,965</u>

In the opinion of the Trustees the present value of the Village Hall and land is at least the value stated in the balance sheet and no amortisation is necessary.

The Trustees and Management Committee have had an assessment of the rebuilding costs by chartered surveyors who have indicated that the figure should be £1,160,000. The insurance value has been upgraded so that the value is now covered.



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### Notes to the accounts for the year to 30th September 2025 (continued)

#### 7) Creditors payable within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade Creditors	1,194	0
Accruals	350	827
	<u>1,544</u>	<u>827</u>

#### 8) Summary of net assets by fund

	General purposes	Fixed assets	Designated Future repairs	Total
Fixed assets		1,173,344		1,173,344
Deposit account			55,525	55,525
Net current assets	8,776			8,776
	<u>8,776</u>	<u>1,173,344</u>	<u>55,525</u>	<u>1,237,345</u>

#### 9) Movement on reserve for future repairs

	2025 £	2024 £
Balance at 1 October 2024	54,478	53,706
Interest received in the year	747	772
Balance at 30 September 2025	<u>55,225</u>	<u>54,478</u>

# **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Prestwood Village Hall (Charity Number: 226409)**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 September 2025.

## **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 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 all 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 respect of the trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Nigel Hughes FCA

28 February 2026

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