

Village Hall (Bletchingley)

charity no.230603

78 High Street, Bletchingley, Surrey RH1 4PA

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st December 2025

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Governance

The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out below:

Gillian Margaret Black
Christine Bolshaw
Antoun Edouard Elias
David Martin
Timothy Charles Moore

Trustees meet as required to discuss the charity's affairs. Trustees may serve indefinitely and new trustees may be co-opted by existing trustees.

Objectives

The charity's governing document is a trust deed dated 14th December 1911 as amended by resolution dated 18th November 2024. The charity's objectives are:

A.TO ADVANCE THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FAITH FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC FOR THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF BLETCHINGLEY AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS; B.TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF BLETCHINGLEY AND THE SURROUNDING AREA THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF LIFE OF THE SAID INHABITANTS PROVIDED THAT THE USE OF SUCH FACILITIES IS CONSISTENT WITH THE DOCTRINE AND PRINCIPLES OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND. C.SUBJECT TO CLAUSE 3 AND 10 OF THE INDENTURE DATED 14 DECEMBER 1911, THE LAND AND BUILDINGS FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE CHURCH ROOM AND NOW KNOWN AS THE BLETCHINGLEY VILLAGE HALL ARE DESIGNATED LAND MUST BE USED FOR THE ABOVE CHARITABLE PURPOSES.

Review of activities

The charity has had a satisfactory year and continued to recover from the disruption caused by the Covid lockdown period. Both halls were well used during the year for the benefit of the residents of Bletchingley and the surrounding area.

The charity has no employees and therefore no employee costs were incurred during the year. None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits during the year.

Financial review

During the year, incoming resources of £74,619 were received and £32,005 was expended. Out of the net income of £42,614 a transfer of £35,000 was made to the long term building fund and the balance transferred to the general fund. The net current assets at the end of year amounted to £480,258.

Reserves

The reserves amounted to £480,258 at 31st December 2025.

Gillian Margaret Black

Trustee and Chair

18th March 2026

Village Hall (Bletchingley)**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st December 2025
(Including Income and Expenditure Account)**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Income from:	£	£
Donations and grants	-	-
Interest	5,510.52	6,835.73
Property	69,108.20	60,539.98
Total Income	<u>74,618.72</u>	<u>67,375.71</u>
Expenditure on:		
Property management and administration	27,447.28	28,489.12
Repairs and renewals	4,557.55	3,655.51
Total expenditure	<u>32,004.83</u>	<u>32,144.63</u>
Net Income	42,613.89	35,231.08
Transfer to long term building fund	35,000.00	25,000.00
Net surplus for the year transferred to general fund	<u>7,613.89</u>	<u>10,231.08</u>
Reconciliation of funds	437,643.99	402,412.91
Increase in long term building fund	35,000.00	25,000.00
Increase in general fund	7,613.89	10,231.08
Funds carried forward	<u>480,257.88</u>	<u>437,643.99</u>

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Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Freehold property (note 2)	-	-
Current assets		
Balances at bank and in hand	480,257.88	437,643.99
Current liabilities	-	-
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>480,257.88</u>	<u>437,643.99</u>

Represented by:

Long term building fund (note 3)	442,971.64	407,971.64
General Fund	37,286.24	29,672.35
	<u>480,257.88</u>	<u>437,643.99</u>

Notes

1 Principal accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention on the accruals basis.

2 Fixed assets

Fixed assets consist properties at 76 to 78 High Street, Bletchingley, Surrey owned by the trust. As trustees do not have the right to dispose of these properties without reference to the Charity Commissioners, they have not been given a value for accounting purposes.

3 Long term building fund

The long term building fund is designed to cover a major part of the eventual replacement of the aged properties owned by the trust. The activities of the trust are essentially to provide premises for community use, primarily in the Parish of Bletchingley, but also for people and organisations from a wider geographical area.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Village Hall (Bletchingley)

This report is on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2025, which are set out on pages 1 and 2.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the Accounts under section 145 of the Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145 of the Act; and
- to state whether 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 Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the requirements of the Acthave not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Anthony Cock
The Manse
Stychens Lane
Bletchingley
Surrey

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