

LONG DITTON VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 242801

Details

Other names	DITTON PARISH ROOM AND WORKMEN'S CLUB
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1965-07-09
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: 1)THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF LONG DITTON AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD THEREOF(THE AREA OF BENEFIT) WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL,RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS,INCLUDING USE FOR MEETINGS LECTURES AND CLASSES AND FOR OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS.2)THE SAID LAND AND BUILDINGS SHALL BE HELD UPON TRUST FOR THE PURPOSES OF A VILLAGE HALL AS AFORESAID: PROVIDED THAT THE TRUSTEES SHALL PERMIT THE SAID LAND AND BUILDINGS TO BE USED ONCE A WEEK RENT-FREE FOR ECCLESIASTICAL AND OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND BY THE INCUMBENT OR THE PRIEST-IN-CHARGE FOR THE TIME BEING OF THE BENEFICE OF ST.MARY, LONG DITTON.

Activities: We provide and maintain a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of Long Ditton and the neighbourhood thereof without distinction of politics, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes, and for other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LONG DITTON
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£65,763	£49,656	-	-
2024-12-31	£81,085	£98,639	-	-
2023-12-31	£107,732	£111,578	-	-
2022-12-31	£101,368	£128,213	-	-
2021-12-31	£44,350	£33,943	-	-
2020-12-31	£30,730	£38,304	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DR GARTH GLENTWORTH OBE	Chair	
AILEEN WIDDOWSON		2017-01-09
Aleksandra Veek		2025-04-14
BARRY HITCHENS		
Charlotte Rosa Potter		2025-10-20
DEIRDRE MARY COLE		
Heather Wyhte		2021-01-11
LORRAINE BLACK		2018-04-25
Nick Darby		2022-03-15
Rev Kuhan Satkunanayagam		2016-01-01
Roy Bertrand		2025-10-20
TERRY BOURTON		

Linked charities

- PARISH HALL (242801-1)

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31ST DECEMBER 2025

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Year ended 31st December 2025

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Year ended 31st December 2025

Report of the Board of Trustees



Trust Objectives

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The Trustees also made small grants to local organizations that support community activities in the Long Ditton areas and provide benefits to the community in line with the Charity's trust deed.

Revenues

Total revenue of £65,763 for the year was £25,569 less than in 2024 (£91,332).

This is because of a grant of £34,913 in 2024 to improve the Club Room and an appreciable increase in usage of that room in 2025 as a consequence.

Hall hiring income from the main, the upper and the Wallis halls are broadly in line with 2024. The Club Room has been the main contributor to the increase in hall revenues in 2025 from £55,819 to £65,763.

The Wallis Room, a space for small meetings, remains at low levels of hiring. It remains to be seen whether this will be the long term situation.

Expenditure

Total expenditure of £49,656 during the year was £48,982 less than in 2024 (£98,638).

The program of major improvements in the year cost £9,703 (2024 : £52,940).

The Upper hall was decorated (£5,900) and further improvements were made in the Club Room. In 2024 £35,356 was spent improving the Club Room which explains much of the disparity between 2025 and 2024 expenditure.

The only other significant difference in spend between the years is that we only made 3 grants in 2025 totalling £1,295 whereas in 2024 we made 6 totalling £6,126.

The Trustees inspect the property annually to identify major improvements and repairs needed to be undertaken, schedule a time for their completion and entrust the Works Committee with the responsibility for obtaining quotes (at least 3 for major works) and for commissioning the work. The annual budget of income and expenditure is approved after this inspection by incorporating the estimated cost of the agreed major works into the budgeted expenditure.

The program of general repairs in the year cost £3,632 (2024 : £3,146)

Cleaning and gardening costs in 2025 were £12,814, down on prior year (2024 : £14,883) because we did not perform an annual spring clean this year due to scheduling problems.

To ensure tight control over cash reserves, a second set of bank statements are sent by the bank to the Ex-officio Trustee and all expenditure in excess of £1,000 requires two signatories.

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Report of the Board of Trustees (continued)



Committees

The Board of Trustees meets 4 to 6 times a year to oversee the running of the Trust and set policies and guidelines for decision making by the Bookings Manager and the two committees that were established in 2007 to better run the activities of the Trust.

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The Committee is directed by the Board of Trustees to take responsibility for completing the schedule of work identified by the Trust each year within the budget set by the Board for such work and to identify and respond to minor ad-hoc repair requirements of the halls during the year.

Reserves Policy

Overall, in 2025 the Trust spent £16,107 less than its income (in 2024 : £ 7,306 more) resulting in an increase in reserves to £42,745 at the year end.

The trustees believe that to maintain a reserve of approximately £30,000 is prudent given the age of the building.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees maintain an ongoing assessment of the major risks confronting the Trust that might restrict its ability to meet its objectives.

An imminent risk facing the Trust is to secure grants to continue funding the refurbishment of The Club Room .Approaches are being made to entities that support facilities providing community services to allow the Club Room to be used to its potential.

For and on behalf of the Trustees.

Barry Hitchens
Hon. Treasurer



Date :

1st April 2026

Chairman's Report

1 Two Thousand and Twenty Five was a year of steady though unspectacular growth in numbers of participants and programmes. The Hall continued to operate on what have become normal lines .

2 There were of course one or two issues that need to be reported .A recurrent problem surfaced again: the problem of cleaning capacity. LDVH is a large complex of three halls and one room available for bookings .The Halls needs cleaning every day ,often morning and evening .Fortunately the problem of capacity was resolved by a change of personnel in the existing cleaners .We were very fortunate to find a solution and not have to hire a commercial company -prohibitively expensive and probably not prepared to take on the job anyway as it isn't big enough.

3 We were able to upgrade our internet entry substantially and our utilisation of social media in general(we have joined Instagram). One of our newly recruited trustees is an expert in this field and has made an enormous contribution.

4 Recruitment of new trustees became an issue -to handle the increased workload created by the growth in numbers and activities .Permission was given by the Charities Commission to increase the number of Trustees to twelve .

5 LDVH initially faced the problem shared with other voluntary agencies of a lack of suitable and interested

candidates It was solved by asking for volunteers from among the activity leaders in LDVH. Three leaders came forward ,were met ,deemed suitable and coopted onto the Board of Trustees in its 2025 April and October Meetings. Though it seems like common sense, such appointments had not been considered before .Apart from competence and experience, the three brought to the Board detailed knowledge of the Hall and its problems from the user point of view. These appointments have worked out very well.

6 Thinking about additional views of the Hall and its activities raised the subject of the views of the communities that feed into LDVH. We do not have a regular consultative arrangement and have only had occasional ad hoc surveys of views in earlier years. Arrangements are being made to remedy this in 2026 in what may become an annual pattern.

7 On the horizon: The UK Government passed into law. in 2025 “The Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act., known as “Martyne’s Law” .It applies to all public buildings that host large groups of citizens including village halls .One of its requirements is for each institution to draw up a counter -terrorism strategy though no one in Government has yet mentioned money and resources.

8 Currently the law is suspended for two years so that institutions can make preparations, Unless it is repealed or amended it will become an active law in 2027. It will be a challenge for LDVH among others to come

up with measures to meet these requirements.

9 Overall LDVH progressed through 2025 fairly successfully with no major crises or problems. Smaller problems were dealt with effectively by Trustees with acceptance of solutions by the main body of users.

Admin Report Year 2025

Jan-Mar

With the introduction of a new accounting, we are going to begin using booking system that work in tandem with it. This is going to be a long process, working 2 diaries together for a while. A steady stream of Children's Parties this quarter.

Apr-Jun

Transference of diary still on going, with a view to complete this by the end of July. Children's Parties have dropped off as the weather improves. We have had some community events organised by the local church which have been popular – a quiz night and silent disco.

Jul-Sep

Transition of the diary is now complete. Our new website is up and running, producing several enquiries. Our users are also impressed with the website and keen to add their business details.

Oct-Dec

All the new groups have settled in well. A good number of parties leading up to Christmas.

ANNUAL DONATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT 2025

In January 2025 the donations budget was discussed at a meeting of the full board. Despite the rising costs of hall maintenance and improvement projects it was agreed not to reduce the annual donations budget of £10,000.

The maximum sum which can be donated without reference to the full board of trustees was increased from one thousand to two thousand pounds.

Unusually, there have been few requests this year. All local organisations are regularly reminded of the existence of the LDVH donations policy and there is an advert in the parish magazine.

£1,000 was donated to the Youth Club to enable them to continue for another year. The money was used to fund the training required for Club leaders and to enable extra activities to be offered.

The Christmas Appeal by St Mary's School was supported by LDVH taking out a full-page advertisement in their brochure for £150.

The mince pie and mulled wine stall at the village Lights Up evening was subsidised as usual.

The LDVH defibrillator saved a life in 2025. It was therefore agreed that if other suitable locations in the village could be identified, LDVH would pay for the installation of defibrillators on condition that the organisation receiving one would accept all future responsibility for maintenance and that it would be available at all times for community use. Aileen Widdowson, a member of the donations committee, is actively looking for suitable sites.

It was also agreed that LDVH would pay for a training course in resuscitator/defibrillator use provided that an outside body, e.g. the St John Ambulance, would organise it.

Members of the Donations Committee:

The Rev'd Dr Kuhan Satkunanayagam

Mrs Aileen Widdowson

Mrs Deirdre Cole

Councillor Liz Laino

Ex officio trustee

Trustee

Trustee

Co-opted community representative



REPORT OF MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE 2025.

MAJOR PROJECTS (4 - £9,703).

We continued to upgrade the Club Room in 2025 with the creation of a storage room between the Gents Toilet and the internal access to the Club Room (£1,000) and replacing one of the windows in the Room (£1,300).

Other projects were the redecoration of the Upper Hall (£5,900) and the replacing of the water heating system in the ladies' loo (£1,453).

GENERAL REPAIRS (£3,632).

We fully replaced all the upper hall lighting with LED tubes (£650) and had an electrician replace some fluorescent tubes in the lower room (£170).

We replaced a number of lost keys (£191).

A variety of jobs were completed by our handyman account for the remaining £2,621.

These include repairing two windows, redecorating the Wallis Room ceiling, disposing of excess material unable to be placed in the council bins, replacing deliberator batteries, dismantling and disposing of an unwanted shed and refitting the disability access door to the Club Room.

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Statement of Revenues and Expenditure for the year ended 31st December 2025



	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Revenues				
Hire of Hall fees		65,763		55,819
Grants Covid 19 support		0		34,913
Donations		0		600
Investment Income		0		0
Total Revenues		65,763		91,332
Expenditure				
Direct Charitable Expenditure				
Hall Major Refurbishments	9,703		52,940	
Cleaning and Gardening	12,814		14,883	
Hall Repairs and Maintenance	3,632		3,146	
Equipment	1,723		1,263	
Service Contracts (Boiler, Fire Alarm, Fire Protection)	1,237		2,005	
Utilities (Electricity, Gas, Water & Waste)	10,792		10,621	
Insurance	2,413		2,355	
Grants to others	1,295	43,609	6,126	93,339
Other Expenditure				
Administration	5,997		5,249	
Independent Examiner's Fee	50	6,047	50	5,299
Total Expenditure		49,656		98,638
Net / Surplus of Revenues to Expenditure in the Year		16,107		-7,306

Statement of Assets and Reserves as at 31st December 2020

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Liquid Assets				
Bank and Cash Balances				
NatWest Current Account		44,512		28,345
Less Deposits for keys (refundable)		-1,800		-1,740
Net Assets		42,712		26,605
Represented by Reserves				
Balance at beginning of year	26,605		33,911	
Net Surplus/(Deficit) of Revenues over Expenditure in the Year	16,107		-7,306	
Balance at end of year		42,712		26,605
Permanent Endowment				
Land and Buildings Insured Value		2,357,450		2,288,786
Other Fixed Assets				
Tables, Chairs, Equipment, Piano etc Insured Value		25,429		24,219

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Board of Trustees of the Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year to 31st December 2025 which are set out on page 10 attached.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity's trustees, 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 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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not comply with the accounting records, or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirement 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.

Name: Peter Drysdale

Address: 37 Effingham Road
Long Ditton

Qualification: *P.D.M.s.c.*
F.C.C.A.

Date: *27/4/26*

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Total revenue of £91,332 for the year was £16,400 less than in 2023 (£107,732).

Hall hiring income was broadly in line with 2023 activity at £55,819 (2023: £57,732).

The main area of reduced demand was from casual rentals reflecting reduced demand for indoor children parties.

The Club Room remains " a work in progress" so demand for its use is significantly less than its potential. Once its decor is improved to the standard of the other halls hire income will increase significantly. We expect to see this increase from early in 2025. The Wallis Room, a space for small meetings, remains at low levels of hiring. It remains to be seen whether this will be the long term situation.

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) administered by Surrey County Council has awarded us £15,713.31 to replace the floor in the Club Room and the National Lottery Community Fund awarded us £19,200 toward the improvement of the kitchen in the Club Room.

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Total expenditure of £98,639 during the year was £12,939 less than in 2023 (£111,578).

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The program of major improvements in the year cost £52,940 (2023 : £55,794).

The major items were upgrading the kitchen and floor in the Club Room and improving the surface of the lower hall floor.

The program of general repairs in the year cost £3,146 (2023 : £4,119)

Cleaning and gardening costs in 2024 were £14,883, significantly down on 2023 (£18,030). In 2023 there was extra need to clean halls due to dust generated by major works done that year.

Extra equipment was bought in 2024 mainly to support the use of the Club Room
Extra chairs and a fridge were purchased costing £ 1,263.

Annual service contracts (Fire protection equipment, boilers, piano tuning etc.) cost £2,005 almost double 2023 - £1,102 mainly due to upgraded Club Room facilities.

Utility costs, of which gas (heating) is the major part, were £10,621 (2023 : £16,825).
The contracts were renegotiated early in the year for 3 years at greatly improved rates that we were required to contract for 12 months in early 2023 when fuel rates were prohibitively high.

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Report of the Board of Trustees (continued)



Expenditure (continued)

In 2024, 6 grants were made totalling £6,126. (2023 - 7 totalling £8,398)
Applications are approved at Trustee meetings based on submissions made to the Donations Committee by Local bodies in need.

Administration costs of £5,249 2023 : £5,150) represent mainly the Booking Manager's costs.

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Reserves Policy

Overall, in 2024 the Trust spent £7,306 more than its income (2023 : £ 3,846 more) resulting in a reduction in reserves to £26,605 at the year end.

The trustees believe that to maintain a reserve of approximately £30,000 is prudent given the age of the building.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees maintain an ongoing assessment of the major risks confronting the Trust that might restrict its ability to meet its objectives.

An imminent risk facing the Trust is to secure grants to help fund the refurbishment of The Club Room. Approaches are being made to entities that support facilities providing community services to allow The Club Room to be used to its potential.

For and on behalf of the Trustees.

Barry Hitchens
Hon. Treasurer

Date : 31-3-25

Chairman's Report:2024

This was the year in which the final vestiges of COVID arrangements were removed and Long Ditton Village Hall (LDVH) returned to "normality". But the question is what is normal. It certainly cannot mean resting on our laurels! Numbers of participants of course vary with different activities and even times of the year ,but collectively now exceed pre-COVID levels. All four halls in LDVH (Lower and Upper Halls , Club Room and Wallis Room) are now open for bookings. There is no problem over lack of demand : the difficulty is the strength of demand at most popular times during the week. But eventually the majority are accommodated with some flexibility. On most week days, the Lower and Upper Halls are booked from 9/10am until 9/10pm in the evening with very few gaps. The Wallis Room and at present the Club Room are less heavily used except at the most popular times. Weekends are less under pressure but are steadily building up.

The need for more space remains one of the Hall's continuing needs and considerable progress was made in 2024 .The context is that while the Hall can meet running costs and minor repairs from fees charged to Hall users, it needs to seek external grant funding for modernisation and other major improvements .In recent years, a number of additions and replacements have been financed including building the Wallis Room and replacing the roof on the Lower Hall .The age of the LDVH make it likely that spending on the buildings will have to continue.

The Hall was successful in obtaining three grants that were utilised in 2024 :£50000 from “Your Fund Surrey”; £ 20000 from Elmbridge’s “Community Infrastructure Levy; and £19200 from The National Lottery “Funds For All” window. These resources have been spent on modernising the Club Room, the former premises of the Hall’s tenant “The Long Ditton Football and Social Club” which closed down during COVID. The programme has been a substantial one :new toilets and kitchen ;replacement ceiling and lighting system; new floor and repainting of the walls and entrance .The results are already beginning to appear; much greater interest and more bookings for the upgraded space.

LDVH is managed by a team of nine volunteer trustees with one part time employee paid as a consultant to be Bookings Manager. Trustees have specific responsibilities for aspects of management from Chairman , Treasurer, and Secretary to Building Maintenance and Safeguarding. There are also four trustees meetings each year at which collective decisions are taken. We feel this system works well as and is cost effective for a charity. We want to recognise the extent and quality of the contributions being made.We have been very fortunate to have the quality and continuity of our trustee team as LDVH expands .

However, one challenge that emerged in 2024 is the need for succession planning among trustees, who in most cases are not getting any younger. Initial soundings have shown how difficult this may be .There is no pipeline of possibilities and a general reluctance (also noted by other charities) to commit

to the input required. We are making limited progress on an individual basis, but nothing conclusive as yet.

Lastly though overall 2024 has been a successful year for LDVH, there are two clouds on the horizon that need to be noted. These are: wider discussion among Village Halls of becoming “Community Emergency Hubs”, which would store suitable resources to be deployed in the event of a major local disaster in their areas and also be used as emergency accommodation .The second is the passage through Parliament of “The Terrorism(Protection of Premises)” Bill, which will require every public building to develop and keep updated an Anti- Terrorism Strategy.

Both of these are really beyond the capabilities of village halls at least in LDVH’s view.We do not have the staff capacity or space to organise and store suitable emergency resources nor the expertise and experience to draw up workable anti-terrorism strategies. Were halls to become i involved on their own, the results in both cases would be confusion, chaos and a waste of resources, undermining the efforts of more professional, expert bodies such as the Police and the Military. This does mean that village halls would not participate, but guided by experts who are aware of their limitations .

Dr Garth Glentworth,OBE
Chair LDVH Trustees

Admin Report Year 2024

Jan-Mar

A steady start to the new year, with some hirers increasing to classes. Unfortunately, a couple of our new businesses are struggling due to take up in numbers. I have agreed to work with them for this quarter and see if things improve.

We have had many enquiries, with a couple looking promising.

We have had a good up take in party bookings.

Apr-Jun

We have 2 new starters with great ambitions, and 2 leavers who just couldn't raise the numbers. A new addition is a Games Café starting that looks to encourage families to come and play board games together with other families and share coffee.

Jul-Sep

July saw the retirement of Miss Winmill after 40 years of running her Ballet School at the hall. She was a huge part of our hall community, a great asset to our hall and the surrounding area.

A new Ballet School started in September, the introduction came from Miss Winmill to take over her pupils and classes.

We had an installation of the new kitchen in the Club Room that went smoothly from a hirers perspective.

Oct-Dec

No great movement of classes this quarter. All the new groups have settled in well. A good number of parties leading up to Christmas.

We will start the replacement of the floor in the Club Room over the Christmas period, so it does not interfere with classes. All the users are grateful for this, but we have a contingency plan in place if the work runs over.

DONATIONS REPORT FOR 2024

March

£1,000 The hardship fund, Long Ditton Infant and Nursery School

In particular so that the school is able to support a bereaved child whose extended family cannot afford to pay for the Breakfast Club or extracurricular activities which she needs.

October

£1,000 Long Ditton Infant and Nursery School

Towards completing a new Sensory Space for children with special needs which was part funded by Elmbridge Borough Council. A dedicated safe, quiet environment will help children who become overstimulated to achieve a calm state of mind in order to engage with school life. The school has seen a substantial increase in children with special educational and emotional needs. Access to Special School places is limited and there are lengthy waits for external support.

November

£1,000 Long Ditton Youth Club

Towards training volunteers and an activity to be chosen by the members.

£1,000 Long Ditton Brownies

Towards activities that otherwise could not be afforded because it is thought that parents cannot be asked for increased subscriptions.

December

£2,000 Long Ditton Cricket Club

Towards improving the interior of their Club Room including a new kitchen. With better facilities they hope to increase participation in cricket by more people, especially the younger generation, and also to offer the space to the wider community for social activities.

£126.28 The Long Ditton Lights Up evening.

Expenses to run the mulled wine/mince pie stall on behalf of LDVH. All profits went to local charities.

£6,126.28 TOTAL

Members of the Donations Committee

The Rev'd Dr Kuhan Satkunanayagam

Mrs Aileen Widdowson

Mrs Deirdre Cole

Councillor Liz Laino

Ex officio Trustee

Trustee

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Long Ditton Councillor

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REPORT OF MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE 2024.

MAJOR PROJECTS (£52,940).

Much of the major activities of works in 2024 centred around the continuing upgrade of the Club Room to the standard of the other three halls. In total these cost in excess of £35,000.

These included replacing the interior ceiling, upgrading the kitchen, replacing the floor, upgrading the alarm system, repairing the entrance cement slabs and installing a disability access ramp.

Other projects were the repair of the flat roof over the Wallis Room (£3,840), redecoration of the ladies' toilet after water damage (£1,800) and resurface of the lower hall floor (£9,084).

GENERAL REPAIRS (£3,146).

There were a series of "black-outs" in the lower hall during the year and to investigate the cause has resulted in several visits by electricians, the accumulative cost of which makes up the majority of the general repair bill for the year. Key replacement is the other major ongoing cost (£350).

A myriad of minor jobs were carried out by trustees and by local handymen the cost of which was minor but the time and effect of which was substantial. Just some of the jobs were, rehangng or removing curtains, ordering and erecting notice boards, re locating chairs and tables in line with users needs etc.

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Charity Registration Number: 242801

Statement of Revenues and Expenditure for the year ended 31st December 2024



		2024		2023
	£	£	£	£
Revenues				
Hire of Hall fees		45,572		57,732
Grants Covid 19 support		34,913		50,000
Donations		600		0
Investment Income		0		0
Total Revenues		81,085		107,732
Expenditure				
Direct Charitable Expenditure				
Hall Major Refurbishments	52,940		55,794	
Cleaning and Gardening	14,883		18,030	
Hall Repairs and Maintenance	3,146		4,119	
Equipment	1,263			
Service Contracts (Boiler, Fire Alarm, Fire Protection)	2,005		1,102	
Utilities (Electricity, Gas, Water & Waste)	10,621		16,825	
Insurance	2,355		2,110	
Grants to others	6,126	93,340	8,398	106,378
Other Expenditure				
Administration	5,249		5,150	
Independent Examiner's Fee	50	5,299	50	5,200
Total Expenditure		98,639		111,578
Net / Surplus of Revenues to Expenditure in the Year		-17,554		-3,846

Statement of Assets and Reserves as at 31st December 2020

		2024		2023
	£	£	£	£
Liquid Assets				
Bank and Cash Balances				
NatWest Current Account		28,345		35,561
Less Deposits for keys (refundable)		-1,740		-1,650
Net Assets		26,605		33,911
Represented by Reserves				
Balance at beginning of year	33,911		37,757	
Net Surplus/(Deficit) of Revenues over Expenditure in the Year	-17,554		-3,846	
Balance at end of year		16,357		33,911
Permanent Endowment				
Land and Buildings Insured Value		2,288,786		1,990,249
Other Fixed Assets				
Tables, Chairs, Equipment, Piano etc Insured Value		24,219		22,425

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust
Charity Registration Number: 242801



Independent Examiner's Report to the Board of Trustees of the Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year to 31st December 2024 which are set out on page 9 attached.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity's trustees, 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 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.

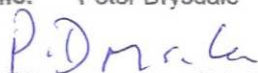
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Address: 37 Effingham Road
Long Ditton


Qualification: F.C.C.A.

Date:

LONG DITTON VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales - Charity number 242801

Accounts



Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Charity Registration Number: 242801

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 2023

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Long Ditton Village Hall Trust **Year ended 31st December 2023** **Charity Information**



Long Ditton Village Hall Trust is a registered charity that provides and maintains the buildings entrusted to it under conveyances dated 15th February 1888 (Parish Room & Workman's Club) and 28th December 1906 (Parish Hall).

The stated objective in the Trust Deed is "...the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of Long Ditton and the neighborhood thereof (the area of benefit) without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes, and for other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants."

Registered Office	2 Ewell Road Long Ditton Surrey KT6 5LE
Governing Body	The Trust is governed by the Deed of Trust (amended July 1996) which is administered by a Board of 8 Trustees who are appointed for a term of five years but may be re-appointed for a further term, plus an Ex-Officio Trustee being the incumbent priest-in-charge of St Mary Long Ditton Church of England. The Trust contracts the services of a professional cleaning company and a bookings manager to supplement the administrative activities of the Trustees. A Works Committee and a Donations Committee, consisting of a mix of trustees and co-opted residents of the community, exist to assist the Charity in meeting its objectives.
Board of Trustees	Dr Garth Glentworth OBE (Chairman) Deirdre Cole (Secretary + Donations Committee+Works Committee) Barry Hitchens (Treasurer + Works Committee) Lorraine Black (Works Committee appointed 25th April 2018) Terry Bourton (Works Committee) Cllr. Nick Darby Aileen Widdowson (Donations Committee) Heather Whyte (Designated safety officer) Rev. Dr Kuhan Satkunanayagam (Ex-officio First Trustee)
Co-Opted	Cllr. Liz Launo (Donations Committee)
Bankers	National Westminster Bank Plc. Victoria Road Surbiton KT6 4JY
Bookings Manager	Michele Aveson
Cleaning Agent/Caretaker	M & S Partnership
Trust Deed Commitment	St Mary Church of England has rent free use of the buildings for ecclesiastical and other charitable purposes on a limited basis.
Independent Examiner	Peter Drysdale F.C.C.A. 57 Effingham Road Long Ditton

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Year ended 31st December 2023

Report of the Board of Trustees



Trust Objectives

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The Surrey County Council has granted us £50,000 (2022 - £ 56,612)

This grant was to install disability toilets and hall access ramps and to upgrade the lighting in The Club Room as the first stage in improving that hall.

Expenditure

Total expenditure of £111,578 during the year was £16,636 more than in 2022 (£128,214).

The Trustees inspect the property annually to identify major improvements and repairs needed to be undertaken, schedule a time for their completion and entrust the Works Committee with the responsibility for obtaining quotes (at least 3 for major works) and for commissioning the work. The annual budget of income and expenditure is approved after this inspection by incorporating the estimated cost of the agreed major works into the budgeted expenditure.

The program of major improvements in the year cost £55,794 (2022 : £93,824).

The major items were installing disability toilets and access ramps plus upgrading lighting in The club Room.

The program of general repairs in the year cost £4,119 (2022 : £2,615)

Cleaning and gardening costs in 2023 were up significantly to £18,030 (2022 : £11,645).

The cleaning hourly rates increased 15% during the year and The Club Room required extra cleaning while work was being done on it. Gardening contractors raised their rates by 25% in the year also.

Annual service contracts (Fire protection equipment, boilers, piano tuning etc.) cost £1,102 almost the same as 2022 - £1,020.

Utility costs, of which gas (heating) is the major part, were £16,825 (2022 : £10,169).

Our long term (3 years) contracts for gas and electricity were renewed during the year at market rates that were close to 200% above the original rates. We renewed for just 12 months in the hope that rates will come down in the future.

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust
Year ended 31st December 2023
Report of the Board of Trustees (continued)



Expenditure (continued)

In 2023, 7 grants were made totaling £8,398.

Applications are approved at Trustee meetings based on submissions made to the Donations Committee by Local bodies in need.

In 2022, two grants were made totaling £1,149.

Administration costs of £5,200 (2022 : £5,840) represent mainly the Booking Manager's costs.

To ensure tight control over cash reserves, a second set of bank statements are sent by the bank to the Ex-officio Trustee and all expenditure in excess of £1,000 requires two signatories.

Committees

The Board of Trustees meets 4 to 6 times a year to oversee the running of the Trust and set policies and guidelines for decision making by the Bookings Manager and the two committees that were established in 2007 to better run the activities of the Trust.

The Donations Committee consists of D Cole (trustee), Clir.Liz Laino (co-opted),

A Widdowson (trustee) and Rev'd Dr K Sakunanayagam (ex-officio First trustee).

The Committee is directed by the Board of Trustees to identify worthy recipients of the Trust's annually budgeted "donations fund" in line with the parameters set by the Board and the objectives of the Trust.

The Maintenance Committee consists of D Cole (trustee), T Bourton (trustee), B Hitchens (trustee) and L Black (trustee).

The Committee is directed by the Board of Trustees to take responsibility for completing the schedule of work identified by the Trust each year within the budget set by the Board for such work and to identify and respond to minor ad-hoc repair requirements of the halls during the year.

Reserves Policy

Overall, in 2023 the Trust spent £3,846 more than its income (2022 : £ 26,845 more) resulting in a reduction in reserves to £33,911 at the year end.

The trustees believe that to maintain a reserve of approximately £30,000 is prudent given the age of the building.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees maintain an ongoing assessment of the major risks confronting the Trust that might restrict its ability to meet its objectives.

An imminent risk facing the Trust is to secure grants to help fund the refurbishment of The Club Room. Approaches are being made to entities that support facilities providing community services to allow The Club Room to be used to its potential.

For and on behalf of the Trustees.

Barry Hitchens
Hon. Treasurer

Date :

Chairman's Report 2023

2023 was the first year that could be said to be an almost complete return to pre- COVID normality. But one caution here: events move on and normality is never the same for very long.

User Groups and LDVH Halls

By the end of 2023 , classes and group meetings were back up in numbers to the levels of 2019, though the mix is different. For example: I do not remember Taekwando pre –pandemic, though it now books the largest number of hours and is our busiest set of classes. The Lower and Upper Halls are full at peak times and we are turning away users unless they can meet at off –peak times .The Wallis Room was built in 2016 to cater for the different needs of smaller groups and is becoming more used again, but almost by definition is unlikely ever to be completely full.

What we now call the Club Room-the fourth and oldest part of the LDVH complex -has a different history. It was rented out to the Long Ditton Football and Social Club for about forty years until 2021, when LDFSC went bankrupt because of the closures during COVID and consequent lack of revenue. Over the years it had been open effectively as a pub, but latterly in a very run-down state due to lack of investment. On its return to the management of the main Hall, the decision was to modernise it so that it again became a part of the opportunities offered by the other halls .The extra space could certainly be utilised.

Maintenance and Modernisation

A complex as old in parts and as heavily used as LDVH creates a constant demand for maintenance. It has similarities with what used to be called “The Forth Bridge Syndrome- you no sooner finish at one end when you have to start again at the other”. Problems range from

leaking toilets and leaking flat roofs to replacing fluorescent light tubes and broken chairs. Cleaning is major challenge in spaces that are so intensively used every day .Our Hall Trustees who are all volunteers take responsibility for organising maintenance in different areas and I need to thank them for their efficiency in keeping everything going and dealing with the (polite) complaints of users.

Concurrently we now have a programme of replacement and modernisation. These involve much larger tasks than maintenance. The two most recent have been replacing the roof over the Lower Hall and –one which is ongoing-and has already been mentioned in this Report-modernising the Club Room. The roof was relatively straightforward –apart from weather disruption and Covid among the roofers- and was completed in 2022. The Club Room is much more complex: new toilets , new kitchen ;new ceiling and lighting; new floor, new heating system –boiler and radiators; general redecoration and replacement of chairs and tables.

While LDVH can and cover running costs and most maintenance from fees in spite of these being kept low as a service to the community, we have to fund raise for the bigger replacement and modernisation projects. We have been comparatively successful: Platinum Village Halls' Improvement Fund; Community Infrastructure Levy (both for the roof replacement): and most recently The Your Fund Surrey Small Grants Scheme. The £50000 we received from the YFS in September allowed us to complete Phase 1 of the Club Room Modernisation Project in 2023 involving new toilets and a new ceiling and lighting system. Much more is needed and 2024will involve a further application for a substantial grant, initially to the National Lottery Community Fund.

It has to be mentioned that grant applications have to respond to the requirements of the different funding agencies and are normally quite complicated and time consuming. Competition is intense and

growing .Again completion of applications depends on the voluntary work of our Trustees for which we are very grateful.

Other Developments

A small range of issues have come to the fore during the year, involving the Chairman and other Trustees.

Specifically:

- Switching the Hall's account to electronic , internet banking.
- Making a major contribution to the costs of the Community defence case in the Public Enquiry about building on parts of the Green Belt- Stokes Field and One Tree Hill.
- Reviewing and improving The Hall Safeguarding Policy and appointing a LDVH Safeguarding Officer.
- Over two cases of breaking and entry and small scale vandalism, liaising with the Police with the objective of future deterrence.

Dr Garth Glentworth,OBE

Chairman of Trustees



DONATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2023

March

£500 The Long Ditton Youth Project

Towards the cost of an activity of their choice for the members of the Youth Club. It will be something like First Aid or Self-Defence.

£915 The Dittons Scout Group

To purchase kit needed for day and night hikes including their first D of E Gold Challenge. It will pay for 5 Trangia stove sets, 10 survival bags, 10 OS maps and cases and 10 compasses.

£748.97 The Sugden Allotment Association

To purchase a barbecue, an all-weather marquee and a bench. They are hoping that these things will enable them to invite members of the wider community, particularly nursery schools, to events. They would not otherwise be able to afford to do this as subscriptions have been kept low since many members are on low incomes.

April

£900 The 1st Long Ditton Guides

To purchase a large tent needed for Guide camps. The unit has grown since LDVHT bought the first tent in 2017. The chairman was invited to present the cheque at a Guide meeting; a photo in local publications generated publicity for both the Guides and the Hall.

A special meeting of the trustees agreed the following by a majority vote:

£4,000 The HWLD Green Belt Campaign

Towards the cost of representation by a specialist barrister at the public enquiry held at the Village Hall. Local opinion is overwhelmingly in favour of having a local space declared a Village Green, thus protecting it from development on a permanent basis.

June

£1,076.70p St Mary's PCC

To upgrade the AV system in the Community Hall. The equipment was originally funded by LDVHT and due to its age could no longer be used with confidence. It is not for exclusive use by the Church but is used by a wide range of community groups including a film and afternoon tea for the elderly.

December

£257.18 The Long Ditton Lights Up evening

Expenses to run the mulled wine/mince pie stall on behalf of LDVHT. The annual tree lighting event was well attended and raised a total of £1800 for local charities.

£8397.85 TOTAL

Members of the donations committee

The Rev'd Dr Kuhan Satkunanayagam
Mrs Aileen Widdowson
Mrs Deirdre Cole
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Ex officio trustee
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REPORT OF MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE 2023

MAJOR PROJECTS (£ 55,794).

With the support of a grant from Surrey County Council of £50,000, the trustees were able to install a disability access to the Club Room (£ 2,460), a disability toilet in the Club Room (£ 43,688) and improve the ceiling lighting in the Club Room (£ 9,646). These three improvements to the Club Room are the first stage of a three stage program to bring the Club Room up to the standard of the other three halls in the complex.

We hope to complete stage two in 2024 (replace the floor for around £20,000, replace the heating system for around £15,000 and install a modern kitchen for around £ 15,000). However, we will not be able to achieve this without further grants.

Applying for such grants is a major priority for the trustees.

GENERAL REPAIRS (£ 4,119)

The halls were broken into twice during the year and minor vandalism was experienced during these events. The resultant repairs and improving security (upgrading locks/keys etc) cost in excess of £2,000.

Replacing lighting with LED as the non-LED lighting fails cost approximately £ 1,000.

General repairs, replacing broken items and maintaining the general fabric of the halls cost a further £1,000 in the year – not a major cost compared to prior years.

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Registered charity: 242801

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Admin Report Year 2023

Jan-Mar

2023 started smoothly. All classes have come back and a small increase in children's parties. We get numerous interests for Baby Showers and family gatherings. I have allowed a couple to be held in halls which have been run successful, they were in the day and all adults, but small gatherings with little or no alcohol involved. Plenty of enquiries that do not result in long term hirers, mainly do to them being new businesses and not attracting the clients.

Apr-Jun

Surrey County Council held a large public enquiry in April. This was about a highly contentious local issue. It involved displacing all the daytime occupants from our largest hall for a week, finding alternatives where possible.

A new group started this quarter to encourage young teenage girls to sport. They started very strong and continue to grow.

Jul-Sep

We have new children's holiday group started, this is local council funded, for families that need childcare support in the school holidays.

The slow time of the year. Most business and children's group stop for the summer, which gives us chance to close for a deep clean and maintenance.

Oct-Dec

This quarter saw the start of some work in the Club room – new toilet facilities including an accessible toilet. This caused disruption to the users. Where possible we moved them out into the other halls, unfortunately due to one user having to use another premises, she decided to stay with that facility.

Again, lots of enquiries with the promise of 4 new users starting next year.

Good increase in children's parties this quarter.

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Charity Registration Number: 242801

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P. Drysdale 1/4/24

Peter Drysdale (FCCA Rtd)

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Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Year ended 31st December 2023

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The Trustees inspect the property annually to identify major improvements and repairs needed to be undertaken, schedule a time for their completion and entrust the Works Committee with the responsibility for obtaining quotes (at least 3 for major works) and for commissioning the work. The annual budget of income and expenditure is approved after this inspection by incorporating the estimated cost of the agreed major works into the budgeted expenditure.

The program of major improvements in the year cost £55,794 (2022 : £93,824).

The major items were installing disability toilets and access ramps plus upgrading lighting in The club Room.

The program of general repairs in the year cost £4,119 (2022 : £2,615)

Cleaning and gardening costs in 2023 were up significantly to £18,030 (2022 : £11,645).

The cleaning hourly rates increased 15% during the year and The Club Room required extra cleaning while work was being done on it. Gardening contractors raised their rates by 25% in the year also.

Annual service contracts (Fire protection equipment, boilers, piano tuning etc.) cost £1,102 almost the same as 2022 - £1,020.

Utility costs, of which gas (heating) is the major part, were £16,825 (2022 : £10,169).

Our long term (3 years) contracts for gas and electricity were renewed during the year at market rates that were close to 200% above the original rates. We renewed for just 12 months in the hope that rates will come down in the future.

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust
Year ended 31st December 2023
Report of the Board of Trustees (continued)



Expenditure (continued)

In 2023, 7 grants were made totaling £8,398.

Applications are approved at Trustee meetings based on submissions made to the Donations Committee by Local bodies in need.

In 2022, two grants were made totaling £1,149.

Administration costs of £5,200 (2022 : £5,840) represent mainly the Booking Manager's costs.

To ensure tight control over cash reserves, a second set of bank statements are sent by the bank to the Ex-officio Trustee and all expenditure in excess of £1,000 requires two signatories.

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The Board of Trustees meets 4 to 6 times a year to oversee the running of the Trust and set policies and guidelines for decision making by the Bookings Manager and the two committees that were established in 2007 to better run the activities of the Trust.

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The Committee is directed by the Board of Trustees to take responsibility for completing the schedule of work identified by the Trust each year within the budget set by the Board for such work and to identify and respond to minor ad-hoc repair requirements of the halls during the year.

Reserves Policy

Overall, in 2023 the Trust spent £3,846 more than its income (2022 : £ 26,845 more) resulting in a reduction in reserves to £33,911 at the year end.

The trustees believe that to maintain a reserve of approximately £30,000 is prudent given the age of the building.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees maintain an ongoing assessment of the major risks confronting the Trust that might restrict its ability to meet its objectives.

An imminent risk facing the Trust is to secure grants to help fund the refurbishment of The Club Room. Approaches are being made to entities that support facilities providing community services to allow The Club Room to be used to its potential.

For and on behalf of the Trustees.

Barry Hitchens
Hon. Treasurer

Date :

Chairman's Report 2023

2023 was the first year that could be said to be an almost complete return to pre- COVID normality. But one caution here: events move on and normality is never the same for very long.

User Groups and LDVH Halls

By the end of 2023 , classes and group meetings were back up in numbers to the levels of 2019, though the mix is different. For example: I do not remember Taekwando pre –pandemic, though it now books the largest number of hours and is our busiest set of classes. The Lower and Upper Halls are full at peak times and we are turning away users unless they can meet at off –peak times .The Wallis Room was built in 2016 to cater for the different needs of smaller groups and is becoming more used again, but almost by definition is unlikely ever to be completely full.

What we now call the Club Room-the fourth and oldest part of the LDVH complex -has a different history. It was rented out to the Long Ditton Football and Social Club for about forty years until 2021, when LDFSC went bankrupt because of the closures during COVID and consequent lack of revenue. Over the years it had been open effectively as a pub, but latterly in a very run-down state due to lack of investment. On its return to the management of the main Hall, the decision was to modernise it so that it again became a part of the opportunities offered by the other halls .The extra space could certainly be utilised.

Maintenance and Modernisation

A complex as old in parts and as heavily used as LDVH creates a constant demand for maintenance. It has similarities with what used to be called “The Forth Bridge Syndrome- you no sooner finish at one end when you have to start again at the other”. Problems range from

leaking toilets and leaking flat roofs to replacing fluorescent light tubes and broken chairs. Cleaning is major challenge in spaces that are so intensively used every day .Our Hall Trustees who are all volunteers take responsibility for organising maintenance in different areas and I need to thank them for their efficiency in keeping everything going and dealing with the (polite) complaints of users.

Concurrently we now have a programme of replacement and modernisation. These involve much larger tasks than maintenance. The two most recent have been replacing the roof over the Lower Hall and –one which is ongoing-and has already been mentioned in this Report-modernising the Club Room. The roof was relatively straightforward –apart from weather disruption and Covid among the roofers- and was completed in 2022. The Club Room is much more complex: new toilets , new kitchen ;new ceiling and lighting; new floor, new heating system –boiler and radiators; general redecoration and replacement of chairs and tables.

While LDVH can and cover running costs and most maintenance from fees in spite of these being kept low as a service to the community, we have to fund raise for the bigger replacement and modernisation projects. We have been comparatively successful: Platinum Village Halls' Improvement Fund; Community Infrastructure Levy (both for the roof replacement): and most recently The Your Fund Surrey Small Grants Scheme. The £50000 we received from the YFS in September allowed us to complete Phase 1 of the Club Room Modernisation Project in 2023 involving new toilets and a new ceiling and lighting system. Much more is needed and 2024will involve a further application for a substantial grant, initially to the National Lottery Community Fund.

It has to be mentioned that grant applications have to respond to the requirements of the different funding agencies and are normally quite complicated and time consuming. Competition is intense and

growing .Again completion of applications depends on the voluntary work of our Trustees for which we are very grateful.

Other Developments

A small range of issues have come to the fore during the year, involving the Chairman and other Trustees.

Specifically:

- Switching the Hall's account to electronic , internet banking.
- Making a major contribution to the costs of the Community defence case in the Public Enquiry about building on parts of the Green Belt- Stokes Field and One Tree Hill.
- Reviewing and improving The Hall Safeguarding Policy and appointing a LDVH Safeguarding Officer.
- Over two cases of breaking and entry and small scale vandalism, liaising with the Police with the objective of future deterrence.

Dr Garth Glentworth,OBE

Chairman of Trustees



DONATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2023

March

£500 The Long Ditton Youth Project

Towards the cost of an activity of their choice for the members of the Youth Club. It will be something like First Aid or Self-Defence.

£915 The Dittons Scout Group

To purchase kit needed for day and night hikes including their first D of E Gold Challenge. It will pay for 5 Trangia stove sets, 10 survival bags, 10 OS maps and cases and 10 compasses.

£748.97 The Sugden Allotment Association

To purchase a barbecue, an all-weather marquee and a bench. They are hoping that these things will enable them to invite members of the wider community, particularly nursery schools, to events. They would not otherwise be able to afford to do this as subscriptions have been kept low since many members are on low incomes.

April

£900 The 1st Long Ditton Guides

To purchase a large tent needed for Guide camps. The unit has grown since LDVHT bought the first tent in 2017. The chairman was invited to present the cheque at a Guide meeting; a photo in local publications generated publicity for both the Guides and the Hall.

A special meeting of the trustees agreed the following by a majority vote:

£4,000 The HWLD Green Belt Campaign

Towards the cost of representation by a specialist barrister at the public enquiry held at the Village Hall. Local opinion is overwhelmingly in favour of having a local space declared a Village Green, thus protecting it from development on a permanent basis.

June

£1,076.70p St Mary's PCC

To upgrade the AV system in the Community Hall. The equipment was originally funded by LDVHT and due to its age could no longer be used with confidence. It is not for exclusive use by the Church but is used by a wide range of community groups including a film and afternoon tea for the elderly.

December

£257.18 The Long Ditton Lights Up evening

Expenses to run the mulled wine/mince pie stall on behalf of LDVHT. The annual tree lighting event was well attended and raised a total of £1800 for local charities.

£8397.85 TOTAL

Members of the donations committee

The Rev'd Dr Kuhan Satkunanayagam
Mrs Aileen Widdowson
Mrs Deirdre Cole
Councillor Liz Laino

Ex officio trustee
Trustee
Trustee
Long Ditton council



REPORT OF MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE 2023

MAJOR PROJECTS (£ 55,794).

With the support of a grant from Surrey County Council of £50,000, the trustees were able to install a disability access to the Club Room (£ 2,460), a disability toilet in the Club Room (£ 43,688) and improve the ceiling lighting in the Club Room (£ 9,646). These three improvements to the Club Room are the first stage of a three stage program to bring the Club Room up to the standard of the other three halls in the complex.

We hope to complete stage two in 2024 (replace the floor for around £20,000, replace the heating system for around £15,000 and install a modern kitchen for around £ 15,000). However, we will not be able to achieve this without further grants.

Applying for such grants is a major priority for the trustees.

GENERAL REPAIRS (£ 4,119)

The halls were broken into twice during the year and minor vandalism was experienced during these events. The resultant repairs and improving security (upgrading locks/keys etc) cost in excess of £2,000.

Replacing lighting with LED as the non-LED lighting fails cost approximately £ 1,000.

General repairs, replacing broken items and maintaining the general fabric of the halls cost a further £1,000 in the year – not a major cost compared to prior years.

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Registered charity: 242801

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Admin Report Year 2023

Jan-Mar

2023 started smoothly. All classes have come back and a small increase in children's parties. We get numerous interests for Baby Showers and family gatherings. I have allowed a couple to be held in halls which have been run successful, they were in the day and all adults, but small gatherings with little or no alcohol involved. Plenty of enquiries that do not result in long term hirers, mainly do to them being new businesses and not attracting the clients.

Apr-Jun

Surrey County Council held a large public enquiry in April. This was about a highly contentious local issue. It involved displacing all the daytime occupants from our largest hall for a week, finding alternatives where possible.

A new group started this quarter to encourage young teenage girls to sport. They started very strong and continue to grow.

Jul-Sep

We have new children's holiday group started, this is local council funded, for families that need childcare support in the school holidays.

The slow time of the year. Most business and children's group stop for the summer, which gives us chance to close for a deep clean and maintenance.

Oct-Dec

This quarter saw the start of some work in the Club room – new toilet facilities including an accessible toilet. This caused disruption to the users. Where possible we moved them out into the other halls, unfortunately due to one user having to use another premises, she decided to stay with that facility.

Again, lots of enquiries with the promise of 4 new users starting next year.

Good increase in children's parties this quarter.

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Charity Registration Number: 242801

Statement of Revenues and Expenditure for the year ended 31st December 2023



	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Revenues				
Hire of Hall fees		57,732		44,663
Grants Covid 19 support		50,000		56,612
Donations		0		65
Investment Income		0		29
Total Revenues		107,732		101,369
Expenditure				
Direct Charitable Expenditure				
Hall Major Refurbishments	55,794		93,824	
Cleaning and Gardening	18,030		11,645	
Hall Repairs and Maintenance	4,119		2,615	
Service Contracts (Boiler, Fire Alarm, Fire Protection)	1,102		1,020	
Utilities (Electricity, Gas, Water & Waste)	16,825		10,169	
Insurance	2,110		1,952	
Grants to others	8,398	106,379	1,149	122,374
Community Expenditure				
Administration	5,150		5,790	
Independent Examiner's Fee	50	5,200	50	5,840
Total Expenditure		111,578		128,214
Net / Surplus of Revenues to Expenditure in the Year		-3,846		-26,845

Statement of Assets and Reserves as at 31st December 2020

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Liquid Assets				
Bank and Cash Balances				
NatWest Current Account		35,561		39,377
Less Deposits for keys (refundable)		-1,650		-1,620
Net Assets		33,911		37,757
Represented by Reserves				
Balance at beginning of year		37,757		64,602
Net Surplus/(Deficit) of Revenues over Expenditure in the Year		-3,846		-26,845
Balance at end of year		33,911		37,757
Permanent Endowment				
Land and Buildings Insured Value		1,990,249		1,777,088
Other Fixed Assets				
Tables, Chairs, Equipment, Piano etc Insured Value		22,425		20,764

To The Trustees of Long Ditton Village Hall

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2023

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

The charity's gross income did not exceed £250,000 and so a full audit is not required

I have completed my examination.

I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which would give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records;
- the accounts did 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.

P. Drysdale 1/4/24

Peter Drysdale (FCCA Rtd)

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LONG DITTON VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales - Charity number 242801

Accounts



Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Charity Registration Number: 242801

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

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Long Ditton Village Hall Trust
Year ended 31st December 2022
Charity Information



Long Ditton Village Hall Trust is a registered charity that provides and maintains the buildings entrusted to it under conveyances dated 15th February 1888 (Parish Room & Workman's Club) and 28th December 1906 (Parish Hall).

The stated objective in the Trust Deed is "...the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of Long Ditton and the neighbourhood thereof (the area of benefit) without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes, and for other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants."

Registered Office 2 Ewell Road
 Long Ditton
 Surrey KT6 5LE

Governing Body The Trust is governed by the Deed of Trust (amended July 1996) which is administered by a Board of 8 Trustees who are appointed for a term of five years but may be re-appointed for a further term, plus an Ex-Officio Trustee being the incumbent priest-in-charge of St Mary Long Ditton Church of England.
 The Trust contracts the services of a professional cleaning company and a bookings manager to supplement the administrative activities of the Trustees. A Works Committee and a Donations Committee, consisting of a mix of trustees and co-opted residents of the community, exist to assist the Charity in meeting its objectives.

Board of Trustees Dr Garth Glentworth OBE (Chairman)
 Deirdre Cole (Secretary + Donations Committee+Works Committee)
 Barry Hitchens (Treasurer + Works Committee)
 Lorraine Black (Works Committee)
 Terry Bourton (Works Committee)
 Cllr. Nick Darby
 Aileen Widdowson (Donations Committee)
 Heather Whythe (Designated safety officer)
 Rev. Dr Kuhan Satkunanayagam (Ex-officio First Trustee)

Donations Committee co-opte Cllr. Liz Laino

Bankers National Westminster Bank Plc.
 Victoria Road
 Surbiton KT6 4JY

Bookings Manager Michele Aveson

Cleaning Agent/Caretaker M & S Partnership

Trust Deed Commitment St Mary Church of England has rent free use of the buildings for ecclesiastical and other charitable purposes on a limited basis.

Independent Examiner Peter Drysdale F.C.C.A.
 57 Effingham Road
 Long Ditton

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Year ended 31st December 2022

Report of the Board of Trustees



Trust Objectives

In line with the overall objectives of the Trust, in 2022 the Trustees continued to explore ways of making the halls available to the community while maintaining the fabric of the halls and not causing disruption to the near neighbours.

The Trustees also made small grants to local organisations that support community activities in the Long Ditton area and provide benefits to the community in line with the Charity's trust deed.

Revenues

Total revenue of £101,368 for the year was £57,018 more than in 2021 (£44,350).

The halls are close to being used as frequently as before Covid - 19. Hire income of £44,663 compares with the pre-pandemic year of £50,916 in 2019.

The Pandemic forced the closure of The Ditton's Football & Social Club and the Trustees explored various options for the use of the area that was always referred to as "The Annex". The Trustees decided to use the area in the same way as the other 3 halls. Take-up by users has been slow due to the area needing considerable improvement. Revenues from use of the area, now referred to as The Club Room, was £4,607 in the year. Once the room is upgraded to the level of the other three halls, it should generate the same level of usage and fee income as the others (between £10,000 and £ 15,000 a year).

The Trust obtained two grants to replace the main hall roof;
£13,945 from the Village Hall Improvement Grant Fund via ACRE
£40,000 from the Community Infrastructure Levy Fund via Elmbridge County Council
The Government supported the Trust with a grant totalling £2,667 to compensate it for the loss in revenue due to Government imposed restrictions on use of the Trust facilities during the Pandemic.

Investment income of £29 (2021 : £375) decreased due to using our reserves on deposit to fund the new roof to the main hall.

Expenditure

Total expenditure of £128,213 during the year was £94,270 more than in 2021 (£3,943).

The Trustees inspect the property annually to identify major improvements and repairs needed to be undertaken, schedule a time for their completion and entrust the Works Committee with the responsibility for obtaining quotes (at least 3 for major works) and for commissioning the work. The annual budget of income and expenditure is approved after this inspection by incorporating the estimated cost of the agreed major works into the budgeted expenditure.

The program of major improvements in the year cost £93,824 (2021 : £0).
The major items were replacing the main hall roof (£77,466) and installing a new fire alarm system (£ 16,358).
The program of general repairs in the year cost £2,615 (2021 : £2,720)

Cleaning and gardening costs in 2022 of £11,645 (2021: £ 7,869) increased significantly due to the replacement of the mail hall roof creating extra dirt and to the employment of a professional gardening firm.

Annual service contracts (Fire protection equipment, boilers, piano tuning etc.) cost £1,020 (2021: £1,344).

Utility costs, of which gas (heating) is the major part, were £10,169 (2021 : £4,800).
The Club Room (Annex) utilities cost £2,350 which contributed to the increase.
Two long term gas and electricity contracts were renewed during the year at rates in excess of 200% of historical rates explain the rest of the increase.
Utility costs are expected to be in the vicinity of £15,000 in 2023.

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust
Year ended 31st December 2022
Report of the Board of Trustees (continued)



Expenditure (continued)

In 2022 two requests were received from local bodies to support community activities. Applications are approved at Trustee meetings based on submissions made to the Donations Committee by these bodies.
In 2021, eight grants were made totalling £ 7,000.

Administration costs of £5,790 (2021 : £5,400) represent mainly the Booking Manager's costs.

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Reserves Policy

Overall, in 2022 the Trust spent £26,845 more than its income (2021 : £ 10,407 less) resulting in a reduction in reserves to £37,756 at the year end.

The trustees believe that, to maintain a reserve of approximately £50,000 is prudent given the age of the building.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees maintain an ongoing assessment of the major risks confronting the Trust that might restrict its ability to meet its objectives.

An imminent risk facing the Trust is to secure grants to help fund the upgrade of The Club Room in the near future. Grant applications will be made in 2023 to begin the process of improving The Club Room

For and on behalf of the Trustees.

Barry Hitchens
Hon. Treasurer

Date :



The Board of Trustees

(Registered Charity No. 242801)

2 Ewell Road, Long Ditton, Surrey. KT6 5LE

Chairman's Report 2022

Following two turbulent years dominated by frequent opening and closing and strict movement and sanitisation controls to safeguard against COVID, 2022 was year of returning to normality. Not that activities in the Hall are in any way standard or static –quite the reverse. But in a broad sense we were able to concentrate on the overall objective in our 1996 Constitution:

“Improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants of Long Ditton and the neighbourhood ... including use for meetings, lectures and classes and for other forms of recreation and leisure –time occupation.”

Numbers of groups and courses are rising steadily again, and are nearly back to pre -Covid levels. There is also a small but growing number of new bookings. One constraint is space even though we actually have four halls: Upper Hall and Lower Hall, Wallis Room and Club Room.

This brings up one of the Trustees' central responsibilities: maintenance and up- grading of the Hall buildings- the original having been built in the late nineteenth century. The main task this year was to replace the roof over the Lower Hall- completed successfully, though with a major delay due to COVID among the roofers. Preparations were begun for the next priority: upgrading the Club Room which had reverted to the Hall, having been let out to the Long Ditton Football and Social Club for many years. Obtaining funds for the costs will be a major challenge.

There were two changes among the Trustees during the year. We were very fortunate to have Councillor Nick Darby from

Surrey Council join the Board replacing Councillor Barry Fairbank from Elmbridge who has retired.

Aileen Widdowson has taken a sabbatical from her Trustee role, due to a range of family responsibilities. She has not been replaced and we are managing without her for the time being. Though this has created more work for the other Trustees, they have responded very willingly and effectively.

Like every institution, during the year, we began to experience the impact of much higher utility costs. As mentioned earlier, the Hall has four separate rooms to heat which creates a very large bill. Fortunately our Treasurer has managed our finances to avoid any crises over costs. This is helped by having volunteer Trustees and only cleaners and the Bookings Manager to pay on a part time basis.

Two other issues became important during the year:

- To comply with Government statutory requirements, a sub-committee of Trustees developed a draft Safeguarding Policy and Risk Analysis for the Hall which will be finalised in 2023.
- Following an informal review, The Trustees decided the Hall needed a (low cost) publicity drive. This was only partly because of the need for new activities and participants-they are coming back gradually and new contacts are approaching our Bookings Manager. It was equally the feeling that LDVH and what it provides is not well enough known in the local community. A lot of people do not know anything about the large building on the Ewell Road!
- Adverts were placed in three issues of the area's free Newspaper "The Good Life" and the Editor persuaded to write an article about the Hall and its activities. In 2023 we intend to upgrade our entries on the internet and Facebook as sources of information. These are limited measures which may need to be followed -up in 2023

Dr Garth Glentworth OBE, Chair of Trustees



DONATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2022

Donations were suspended for a year at the start of 2022 so that the budget of £10,000 was available to be spent on the Club Room if necessary.

By November the Club Room had been made safe to use while waiting for grants for a complete restoration.

Grant giving was therefore reinstated in order to make the following donations:

£1,000 The Long Ditton Youth Club

This went towards the training of volunteers and the activities programme. The Youth Club keeps parental contributions to a minimum in order to keep activities accessible to all.

£149.26 The Long Ditton Lights Up evening

This was re-imbursement of expenses incurred in setting up the mince pie/mulled wine stall run this year by two LDVH trustees with all profits donated to the Youth Club.

£1,149.26 Total

Members of the donations committee

The Rev'd Dr Kuhan Satkunanayagam

Mrs Aileen Widdowson

Mrs Deirdre Cole

Ex officio trustee

Trustee

Trustee



Works Committee Report 2022

THE CLUB ROOM (formally known as the Annex)

Options to lease the Annex to potential long term users were explored and rejected.

Options to upgrade the space to attract users similar to those using the other halls were costed. A total upgrade will cost approximately £150,000. Grants will be applied for to achieve this. In the interim, it was decided to delay any commitment to major upgrades until the replacement of main hall roof has been successfully completed.

To make the space safe for use in the interim, electrical, heating, fire and alarm systems were serviced and a full cleaning was completed. The space remains fairly unattractive to potential users when compared to the other halls so is not in great demand. However, £7,070 was spent on redecorating the area, removing the old bar and repairing the back entrance to the area.

ROOF REPLACEMENT

Government grants totalling approximately £54,000 were received to help us cover the cost of almost £80,000 to replace the main hall roof. Work commenced after long delays in December 2021. Despite assurance that the work will not inhibit the use of the hall, removing the old material on the roof has dislodged large amounts of dirt that has fallen intermittently onto the floor of the hall causing considerable complaint from users. The work was completed in August, 9 months after commencement!

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

The old system began being triggered for no apparent reason in the early months of the year. The fault could not be identified so a new system was installed at a cost of £9,288.

GENERAL REPAIRS

LED tube lighting was tested in the upper and lower halls and was accepted as appropriate. As the florescent tube lights fail, they are being replaced with LED ones. £360 was spent in the year.

The Defibulator's battery was replaced costing £204.

An asbestos test of the Club Room was undertaken before remedial work began costing £270.

The issue of keys to new users of the halls was a major cost (£346) compared to earlier years.

Numerous minor repairs were completed thought the year by a trustee and a handyman who is proving reliable.

GARDEN

It was agreed to employ a professional firm, GCB Gardens, to service the small space facing Ewell Road and the hedge bordering Thorkhill Road after several years of unsuccessfully looking for a reliable local gardener. This has cost £1,740 in 2022.

Members of the works committee (all LDVHT Trustees)

Lorraine Black

Terry Bourton

Deirdre Cole

Barry Hitchens

Administration Report 2022

Jan-Mar

The year has started where 2021 finished with the cementing of the Pandemic closures coming to an end. Most regular users returning. Requests for kitchens to be opened have been increasing. Cleanliness would be an issue between bookings. It was agreed all cups/cutlery to be removed to help eliminate cross-infections between groups as much as we can. All rubbish must still be taken home by the group leaders.

The Annex, now known as The Club room, is getting more enquiries for use. But the space needs attention.

The Roof on the Lower Hall continues to disrupt the users. Resulting in moving people from the Lower Hall and resulting in cancellations where suitable alternatives could not be found.

Apr-Jun

The new starter in the Club room is very happy with their space, taking on several times slots.

2 more events that went well. The events attract large numbers of people, so we had included an extra charge for cleaning, but will now corporate furniture be moved. Our chairs and tables are distributed through the building and to have numerous people carrying chairs around is a safety liability. So, we now ask for confirmation prior to events for the number of chairs required so the correct equipment will be in the hall. The cleaning company will then return the correct chairs and tables to each hall after the event.

More interest in children's parties and enquiries for longer term hire.

July-Sep

Everything slows down with term time bookings stopping for the summer break in July. No annual closure as we have had to so much disruption with the roof replacement.

September showed a good return with no one delaying.

Enquiries for hiring for long-term increasing but not producing many bookings.

Oct-Dec

As Covid is now part of our lives without restrictions, the old occurrence of lights being left on, doors left open, chairs not being put away properly have resurfaced.

The removal of the bar area has gone down well with the users and did not interfere with bookings.

We are getting a good rate of enquiries for new business unfortunately; they are not resulting in a huge number of new bookings. The current financial climate and fuel austerity people are being very cautious with their expenditure. All prospective clients that have seen our halls have loved the spaces, and have commented that our fees are very reasonable.

WiFi is again being requested; with the cold weather some businesses would like the option of have members join online if they are unable to attend on person. I do not think we can keep ignoring the lack of this service.

It was discovered we had some young boys getting onto our flat roof, and they broken into the small storage room attached to the Upper Hall. They caused mischief, taking items from the judo club. The police are involved.

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Charity Registration Number: 242801

Statement of Revenues and Expenditure for the year ended 31st December 2022



	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Revenues				
Hire of Hall fees		44,663		23,468
Donations		65		3,600
Grants Covid 19 support		56,612		16,907
Investment Income		29		375
Total Revenues		101,368		44,350
Expenditure				
Direct Charitable Expenditure				
Hall Major Refurbishments	93,824		0	
Cleaning and Gardening	11,645		7,869	
Hall Repairs and Maintenance	2,615		2,720	
Service Contracts (Boiler, Fire Alarm, Fire Protection)	1,020		1,344	
Utilities (Electricity, Gas, Water & Waste)	10,169		4,800	
Insurance	1,952		2,543	
Grants to others	1,149	122,373	7,000	26,276
Other Expenditure				
Administration	5,790		5,400	
Covid - 19 related costs	0		2,217	
Independent Examiner's Fee	50	5,840	50	7,667
Total Expenditure		128,213		33,943
Net / Surplus of Revenues to Expenditure in the Year		-26,845		10,407

Statement of Assets and Reserves as at 31st December 2022

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Liquid Assets				
Bank and Cash Balances				
NatWest Current Account		39,376		30,151
NatWest Liquidity 30 day Account		0		0
Cambridge & Counties Bank 95 day notice Bond (1.5% p.a.)		0		35,800
Total Liquid Assets		39,376		65,951
Less Deposits for keys (refundable)		-1,620		-1,350
Net Assets		37,756		64,601
Represented by Reserves				
Balance at beginning of year	64,601		54,194	
Net Surplus/(Deficit) of Revenues over Expenditure in the Year	-26,845		10,407	
Balance at end of year		37,756		64,601
Permanent Endowment				
Land and Buildings Insured Value		1,777,088		1,725,251
Other Fixed Assets				
Tables, Chairs, Equipment, Piano etc Insured Value		20,764		20,159

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust
Charity Registration Number: 242801



Independent Examiner's Report to the Board of Trustees of the Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year to 31st December 2022 which are set out on page 9 attached.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity's trustees, 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 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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not comply with the accounting records, or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirement 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.

Name: Peter Drysdale

Address: 37 Effingham Road
Long Ditton


Qualification: F.C.C.A.

Date:

LONG DITTON VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales - Charity number 242801

Accounts



Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Charity Registration Number: 242801

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

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Long Ditton Village Hall Trust
Year ended 31st December 2021
Charity Information



Long Ditton Village Hall Trust is a registered charity that provides and maintains the buildings entrusted to it under conveyances dated 15th February 1888 (Parish Room & Workman's Club) and 28th December 1906 (Parish Hall).

The stated objective in the Trust Deed is "...the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of Long Ditton and the neighborhood thereof (the area of benefit) without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes, and for other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants."

Registered Office	2 Ewell Road Long Ditton Surrey KT6 5LE
Governing Body	The Trust is governed by the Deed of Trust (amended July 1996) which is administered by a Board of 8 Trustees who are appointed for a term of five years but may be re-appointed for a further term, plus an Ex-Officio Trustee being the incumbent priest-in-charge of St Mary Long Ditton Church of England. The Trust contracts the services of a professional cleaning company and a bookings manager to supplement the administrative activities of the Trustees. A Works Committee and a Donations Committee, consisting of a mix of trustees and co-opted residents of the community, exist to assist the Charity in meeting its objectives.
Board of Trustees	Dr Garth Glentworth OBE (Chairman) Deirdre Cole (Secretary + Donations Committee+Works Committee) Barry Hitchens (Treasurer + Works Committee) Lorraine Black (Works Committee) Terry Bourton (Works Committee) Cllr. Barry Fairbank (Donations Committee)-Resigned 20th January 2022) Heather Whyte (appointed 11th January 2021) Aileen Widdowson (Donations Committee) Judy Wilson (Donations Committee - resigned 1st July 2021) Rev. Dr Kuhan Satkunanayagam (Ex-officio First Trustee - Donations Committee)
Bankers	National Westminster Bank Plc. Victoria Road Surbiton KT6 4JY
Bookings Manager	Michele Aveson
Cleaning Agent/Caretaker	M & S Partnership
Long Term Tenant	The Ditton Football & Social Club has a rolling 10 year lease of the Workman's Club building (referred to in the Trust Deed as "the Annex"). The renewal date was 16th February 2015. As at 31st December 2021, the Club closed and the Annex reverted back to the control of the Trust.
Trust Deed Commitment	St Mary Church of England has rent free use of the buildings for ecclesiastical and other charitable purposes on a limited basis.
Independent Examiner	Peter Drysdale F.C.C.A. 57 Effingham Road Long Ditton

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust

Year ended 31st December 2021

Report of the Board of Trustees



Trust Objectives

In line with the overall objectives of the Trust, in 2021 the Trustees continued to explore ways of making the halls available to the community while maintaining the fabric of the halls and not causing disruption to the near neighbors.

The Trustees made the halls available to the community during the year in accordance with the government directives relating to indoor community facilities by implementing recommended rules and providing equipment to reduce the spread of Covid - 19 at the facility.

The Ditton Football & Social Club was unable to survive the restrictions placed on its activities due to Covid -19. It closed as at 31/12/2020. The Trust had not charged the Club rent since the start of restrictions in April 2020.

Revenues

Total revenue of £44,350 for the year was £13,621 more than in 2020 (£30,729).

The halls were only able to be used as normal intermittently during the year as government rules changed. Facilities were adapted to meet these directives as they changed.

Hire fees consequently only generated £23,468 for the year (2020 : £17,361).

In normal times the Trust expects to generate fees in excess of £40,000 per year.

The Dittons Football & Social Club was granted a 7 months rent holiday due to the pandemic.

Several long term users and interested local residents generously donated, in total, £3,600 towards the replacement of the Main Hall Roof work on which began late in the year.

The Government supported the Trust with three grants totaling £16,907 to compensate it for the loss in revenue due to Government imposed restrictions on use of the Trust facilities.

In 2020 , two grants totaling £11,334 were received from the government

Investment income of £375 (2020 : £534) decreased as market interest rates dropped.

Expenditure

Total expenditure of £33,943 during the year was £4,360 less than in 2020 (£38,303).

The Trustees inspect the property annually to identify major improvements and repairs needed to be undertaken, schedule a time for their completion and entrust the Works Committee with the responsibility for obtaining quotes (at least 3 for major works) and for commissioning the work. The annual budget of income and expenditure is approved after this inspection by incorporating the estimated cost of the agreed major works into the budgeted expenditure.

As the Trustees decided to replace the main hall roof at a projected cost of £80,000, all other potential major improvements were put on hold to preserve reserves to cover this cost.

The program of general repairs in the year cost £2,720 (2020 : £2,526).

Cleaning and gardening costs in 2021 were £7,869 (2020 : £6,448) because the halls were significantly under used for much of the year. Historically these items around cost £10,000 per annum.

Service contracts (Fire protection equipment, boilers, piano tuning etc.) cost £1,344 (2020 : £1,288)

Utility costs, of which gas (heating) is the major part, were £4,800 (2020 : £6,760).

Although the halls were not fully used during the period it was not practical to change the timing of heating halls to accurately identify when the halls were not in use and to turn the heating off accordingly. The Trust changes its utility suppliers regularly in an attempt to keep such costs to a minimum.

Long Ditton Village Hall Trust
Year ended 31st December 2021
Report of the Board of Trustees (continued)



Expenditure (continued)

In 2021 eight grants totaling £7,000 were made to local bodies to support community activities. Applications are approved at Trustee meetings based on submissions made to the Donations Committee by these bodies.
In 2020, no grants were made.

Administration costs of £5,400 (2020 : £5,361) represent mainly the Booking Manager's costs.

The Trustees took responsibility for the Annex, the area leased to The Dittons Football & Social Club. Costs relating to checking the electrics, heating and cleaning of the Annex totaled £2,217.

To ensure tight control over cash reserves, a second set of bank statements are sent by the bank to the Ex-officio Trustee and all expenditure in excess of £1,000 requires two signatories.

Committees

The Board of Trustees meets 4 to 6 times a year to oversee the running of the Trust and set policies and guidelines for decision making by the Bookings Manager and the two committees that were established in 2007 to better run the activities of the Trust.

The Donations Committee consists of D Cole (trustee), Clir.B Fairbank (trustee), A Widdowson (trustee) and Rev'd Dr K Sakunanayagam (Ex-officio First Trustee)

The Committee is directed by the Board of Trustees to identify worthy recipients of the Trust's annually budgeted "donations fund" in line with the parameters set by the Board and the objectives of the Trust.

The Maintenance Committee consists of D Cole (trustee), T Bourton (trustee), B Hitchens (trustee) and L Black (trustee).

The Committee is directed by the Board of Trustees to take responsibility for completing the schedule of work identified by the Trust each year within the budget set by the Board for such work and to identify and respond to minor ad-hoc repair requirements of the halls during the year.

Reserves Policy

Overall, in 2021, the Trust spent £10,407 less than its income (2020 : £7,574 more) resulting in an increase in reserves to £64,601 at the year end.

The trustees believe that, to maintain a reserve of approximately £50,000 is prudent given the age of the building.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees maintain an ongoing assessment of the major risks confronting the Trust that might restrict its ability to meet its objectives.

An imminent risk facing the Trust is that the replacement of the main hall roof will identify more serious structural problems with the building. Also that the work will upset long term users to a degree that they lose confidence in the halls being safe and useful for their purposes.

For and on behalf of the Trustees.

Barry Hitchens
Hon. Treasurer

Date :



The Board of Trustees

(Registered Charity No. 242801)

2 Ewell Road, Long Ditton, Surrey. KT6 5LE

Chairman's Report 2021

In my Report for 2020 I wrote that the year had been extremely challenging and hoped the it would not be repeated. Unfortunately, I have to report that it has been more than matched by 2021.

Last year I reported on 2020 as follows.

“Activities were dominated by the closures and openings during the lockdowns decided upon by Government. These involved a variety of tasks: keeping up with the lengthy and sometimes repetitive and uncoordinated guidance circulars issued by different ministries, and the commentaries supplied by ACRE; informing group leaders of developments and particularly establishing their intentions on stopping and re-starting activities; ensuring sign-up to our Pandemic Conflict Annex, setting out the Code of Conduct during Covid; and in some cases enforcing the rules.”

This was the pattern of activity that had to be repeated in 2021. It took up a great deal of the time and energy of the Hall Trustees who are all volunteers, and of the part-time, paid Bookings Manager. Fortunately, perhaps because of prior experience, activities ran smoothly. I would like to pay tribute to all my colleagues on the Board for making this possible.

Another major stream of activity followed on from the closure of our tenants, the Long Ditton Football and Social Club, in December 2020. Their premises, which are an integral part of our building, reverted to the Hall once they had been emptied. We have rechristened their space as the “Annex”. It is a large suite with separate entrances, several rooms and a medium sized central hall. Our initial intention was to sublet it again as a self- contained unit, but in the event this did not prove successful. We have decided now to add it to the Hall range of facilities. (the Lower and Upper Halls and the Wallis Room). We have a range of inquirers who cannot be accommodated at present and the Annex would be suitable for a number of them.

However though it is just beginning to be booked, it is in need of major refurbishment before it will be entirely suitable for many of our users,

especially the disabled and the elderly. Our cost estimate for the improvements required is just over £100000.

Raising this money has to be considered along with one other major task which began in late 2021: replacing the Lower Hall roof. This has not been replaced for decades or maybe since the Hall was built in the early 20th century, and has been leaking and generally showing signs of wear and tear.

We do have enough funds for the roof unless it totally exceeds the estimate. But we do not want to begin on the Annex upgrading until we have fully met the roofing cost. Another consideration is the increase in normal running costs especially gas and electricity (the Hall is big space to heat!). Fortunately, bookings are steadily increasing and becoming more diverse and may exceed pre-pandemic levels, especially when the Annex becomes fully available.

In this context, we are partially dependant for the large projects on successful grant applications. We have secured funds from the Village Halls Improvement Fund and The Community Infrastructure Levy and are awaiting the result of our application to "Your Fund Surrey".

All in all, a successful year in the prevailing circumstances.

Dr Garth Glentworth OBE,
Chair of Trustees



DONATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2021

Long Ditton Infant and Nursery School

£500 A contribution to the hardship fund. The school has ten families on the Free School Meals Register plus other families who do not qualify but who are nevertheless struggling to feed their children during lockdown and have appealed to the head for help.

£1000 A contribution towards music workshops for the benefit of the whole school.

Long Ditton St Mary's Junior School

£500 A contribution to the hardship fund, in particular to buy a Chromebook for £300 which will be used by the children of a refugee family who are working hard to adapt to the British curriculum during lockdown when remote learning is necessary.

£1000 Towards the purchase of iPads for the use of children taking part in the catch-up programme when the school re-opened after lockdown.

Hinchley Wood School

£1000 A contribution to the hardship fund to spend as the head sees fit.

Long Ditton Residents' Association

£1500 Towards purchasing a permanent Christmas lighting system for the village tree. The lighting-up evening is a community event open to all.

The Friends of Long Ditton Infant and Nursery School

£500 To sponsor the refreshments at the Christmas lighting-up evening.

Long Ditton PCC

£1000 Towards the purchase of a defibrillator which will benefit the whole community, not just the Church congregation. Both the Church and the Community Hall are used by a diverse number of groups. It will be mounted on the outside wall of the Community Hall.

£7000 Total

Members of the donations committee (all LDVH Trustees)
The Rev'd Dr Kuhan Satkunanayagam
Councillor Barry Fairbank
Mrs Aileen Widdowson
Mrs Deirdre Cole



Works Committee Report 2021

ANNEX

Options to lease the Annex to potential long term users were explored and rejected.

Options to upgrade the space to attract users similar to those using the other halls were costed. A total upgrade will cost approximately £100,000. Grants have been applied for to achieve this. In the interim, it was decided to delay any commitment to major upgrades until the replacement of main hall roof has been successfully completed.

To make the space safe for use in the interim, electrical, heating, fire and alarm systems were serviced and a full cleaning was completed. The space remains fairly unattractive to potential users when compared to the other halls so is not in great demand.

ROOF REPLACEMENT

Government grants totalling £54,000 have been approved to help us cover the cost of £80,000 to replace the main hall roof. Work commenced after long delays in December. Despite assurance that the work will not inhibit the use of the hall, removing the old material on the roof has dislodged large amounts of dirt that has fallen intermittently onto the floor of the hall causing considerable complaint from users. This will need to be addressed as work continues throughout early 2022.

GENERAL REPAIRS

Various notice boards around the halls were upgraded.

LED tube lighting was tested in the upper and lower halls and was accepted as appropriate. As the florescent tube lights fail, they are being replaced with LED ones.

Mares' tail was successfully eradicated from the car park pavement.

Fencing along the boarder with the Ewell road neighbour was replaced.

Numerous minor repairs were eventually completed in October and November after several potential handymen agreed to but then failed to provide their services.

GARDEN

It was agreed to have a budget of £2,000 per annum to look after the small garden area facing Ewell Road. We have had difficulty retaining a gardener having had two start and then leave us.

FIRE RISK

Several requests for the main hall entailing large numbers of attendees necessitated us upgrading our Fire Risk Assessment for the hall. It identified limits to the numbers allowed in the main hall. The building fire alarm system has malfunctioned on several occasions through out the year . It is over 20 years old and will need replacing in 2022.

Members of the works committee (all LDVHT Trustees)

Lorraine Black

Terry Bourton

Deirdre Cole

Barry Hitchens



Administration Report 2021

Jan-Mar

Due to the Pandemic the halls were closed during this period. We received a number of enquiries by email and phone with a view starting once the lockdown was raised.

Apr-Jun

With the promise of lockdown lifting and in line with Government Guidance we opened our hall with children's groups, family groups and one to one classes invited to use the hall first, with adult groups invited back from 17th May.

The onus is once again for the users to understand their responsibility - they must protect themselves and others from spreading the virus while at our halls – we do not have an onsite manager. Some groups/businesses implemented more layers of safety features to help stop the spread within their groups.

Jul-Sep

We saw the beginnings of a relatively normal return of most of our long-term users. We have taken the decision not to start back with ad hoc parties and social gatherings until after the summer. So that we can formulate a cleaning plan around them.

Oct-Dec

September started well with many groups/business back and enjoying the halls. There is still some hesitancy from a couple of the less mobile groups, who we will work with to help them restart when they are ready.

We have now opened up the Annex building, formerly the Long Ditton Football Club's residence, for use. They had vacated at the beginning of the Pandemic. It will be a work in progress and it does need some attention to its décor and facilities. We have a Drama Club using this and hope to make it its permanent base.

November we had our first event – Barn Dance held by the Drama Club – it went very well. We now incorporate an extra cleaning fee to sure the halls to be clean sufficiently for the next users.

December saw another event – South London Wrestling – hold their first event. They hope you become a regular at our halls. We also had our first Children's party.

Many business users have requested Wi-Fi at our premises, which we currently do not have. Most have continued through Lockdown running their classes via the internet (Teams/Zoom/Houseparty). Many of the groups have elderly clients/clients shielding/at risk who were still not ready to return to a physical class. The installation of Wi-Fi would enable the yoga teachers to run their class from the hall for those wishing to return and at the same time include those at home wanting to attend, thus enticing them back to the halls quicker.

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Total Expenditure		33,943		38,303
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