

**Norton Sub Hamdon Village Hall Trust  
Balance Sheet at 31st December 2024**

<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>Value</b>
New Hall at cost	£340,000.00
Changing Rooms at cost	£33,574.35
<b>Current Assets</b>	
Santander Current Account	£20,893.16
Deposit Account	£26,810.50
Shawbrook Savings Account	£0.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>£421,278.01</b>
<b>Profit/loss for 2024</b>	<b>£8,338.85</b>
Total Surplus of Receipts over payments	

The Charity's Trustees [ Village Hall Committee ] are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and have agreed that the accounts should be kept on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act. The Trustees have opted for the accounts to be examined by an Independent Examiner.

**Report of the Independent Examiner**

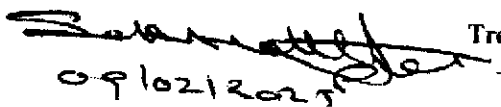
I have examined the accounts for the year ending 31st December 2024 which are summarised on the attached receipts and payments account and balance sheet. In connection with my examination I believe that proper accounting records have been kept and that these summaries agree with those records.

Signed  
Date

  
09/01/25

Independent Examiner

Signed  
Date

  
09/02/2025

Treasurer

Signed  
Date

Chair

**Norton Sub Hamdon Village Hall Trust**

**Receipts & Payments for Year ending 31st December 2024**

**Total Income**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
Venue & Furniture Hire	£17,183.35	£19,332.05
Donations/fundraising	£2,767.43	£4,380.89
Panto Reserve	£0.00	£650.00
Grants	£0.00	£0.00
Gas/electricity credits	£154.00	£3,179.99
Interest	£190.32	£298.82
Miscellaneous	£1,401.98	£238.08
	<b>£21,697.08</b>	<b>£28,059.63</b>

**Total Running costs**

Repairs & Maintenance	£21,076.00	£1,607.00
Gas & Electricity	£3,949.57	£6,496.78
Water & Sewage	£706.00	£836.94
Cleaning Materials	£614.30	£865.57
Wages & HMRC	£3,760.00	£3,372.20
M/slips & licences	£170.00	£439.00
Insurance	£1,888.12	£1,866.77
Website/WIFI	£634.68	£786.78
Marketing /Stationary	£21.59	£116.84
Hirers refunds & Deposits	£903.00	£772.80
Miscellaneous	£369.23	£2,560.10
	<b>£34,092.49</b>	<b>£19,720.78</b>
Plus depreciation	£0.00	£0.00
	<b>£34,092.49</b>	<b>£19,720.78</b>

**Total Surplus of Receipts over payments**

**£8,338.85**

# NORTON-SUB-HAMDON VILLAGE HALL TRUST

## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Held on Tuesday 18th February 2025

**Those Present:** Chairman: Head of Trustees                      Julian Cole  
Vice Chairman:                      Nigel Laing  
Treasurer:                      Sarah Hallett  
Secretary: Trustee                      Jennie Harris  
Minutes Secretary: Trustee                      Sophie Holm  
Committee Members: Trustees                      Lindsay Elliott, Sara Vann

**Apologies:** Ruth Cannon

**Present:** Liz Fish, Janet Hutton & Peter Callaghan

1.	<b>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS AGM</b> The Minutes of the 2024 AGM were approved. Proposed by Sara, seconded by Nigel.
2.	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.</b> None.
3.	<b>CHAIRMANS REPORT</b> 2024 has been a quiet year for the hall with no major maintenance carried out. The electric meters have been replaced and adjusted to allow for the increase in the price of energy. Currently, there are no weddings booked for 2025. The Chairman thanked the committee for their continued efforts in running the hall.
4.	<b>TREASURERS REPORT</b> The Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024 show a surplus of £8338.85. The accounts are drawn up on a cash basis and do not include accruals. The hall generated income of £28,059. 69% of the income came from hirers, an increase of 12% on 2023 figures. 16% of income was thanks to fundraising activities, including the pantomime, Hamstone live events and key committee members running fundraising events. The remaining income came via credit from utilities & bank interest.  The hall's running costs totalled £19720.78. 33% of this related to gas & electricity. Increased prices in both gas and electricity were higher than planned, it did not help that with a faulty smart meter & change of supplier, we were overcharged 3 times. Credits did subsequently come. 18% of costs can be contributed to wages & HMRC. Hall repairs & maintenance were considerably lower than 2023 as no major repairs were

	<p>required. We are also fortunate that members of the committee gave up their time to undertake running repairs, maintenance which would in other circumstances been paid work, thus saving additional expenditure.</p> <p>At the close of business 31st Dec 2024, our business account at Santander held £20,893.16. The Santander deposit account held £26,810.50.</p> <p>This brings the 2024 financial report to an end, on acceptance of the accounts, they will be uploaded to the Charity Commission website by the 1st April 2025.</p>
5.	<p><b>BOOKING SECRETARYS REPORT</b></p> <p>The upgrade of the website enabled online bookings to be easier for both the potential hirer and reduces double handling of paperwork for the Treasurer/Booking Secretary. The investment in local /regional advertising did contribute to both enquires about the hall and into bookings.</p> <p>We had fewer weddings in 2024 compared to 2023. We increased our regular hirers by one, to a second Pilates teacher on Thursdays. Many of the hirers were repeat business from parties, club activities, church celebrations, meetings and the election. New bookings came from the Forestry Commission, Yeovil Churches, Taunton based businesses and individuals for family events.</p>
6.	<p><b>SECRETARYS REPORT</b></p> <p>Thanks were given to the committee for the continued support during the year.</p>
7.	<p><b>USER GROUP REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT</b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
8.	<p><b>FUNDING GROUP REPORT</b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
9.	<p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>

**Next Meeting: 6.30pm Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

The meeting closed at 6.50pm.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Norton sub Hamdon Village Hall**

I report on the accounts of Norton sub Hamdon Village Hall for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024, which have been prepared by the trustees in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

**Responsibilities and Basis of Report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. I have carried out an independent examination of these accounts in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011. An independent examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view." Instead, I confirm the following statement.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011, and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

I am satisfied that the accounts have been properly prepared, the records kept are in order, and there are no matters which need to be brought to the attention of the trustees or the Charity Commission.

Signed:

  
Adrian Pipe

Date: 23 September 2025

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