

HIGH HURSTWOOD VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 268150

Details

Other names HIGH HURSTWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1974-10-28

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

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Activities

Objects: PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE CIVIL WARD OF HIGH HURSTWOOD IN THE PARISH OF BUXTED 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 WITHE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS

Activities: Our charity was formed to maintain and improve the village hall. This not only includes facilities but also the opportunities for local residents to use it for sports and social clubs as well as an educational centre for children.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** HIGH HURSTWOOD
- East Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£34,790	£28,133	-	-
2024-08-31	£26,277	£36,010	-	-
2023-08-31	£26,804	£25,167	-	-
2022-08-31	£26,942	£26,323	-	-
2021-08-31	£15,559	£15,729	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SANDY BARTON	Chair	
Angela Judith Chapman		2023-08-21
Annette Margaret Duck		2022-10-27
JOHN JEFFREY WOLSEY-COOPER		
Michael Norman Ranft		2022-10-27

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Accounts

High Hurstwood Village Hall

Accounts for the Period :- 01/09/24 - 31/08/25

Profit & Loss Account	2024/25	2023/24	Change £	Change %
Income				
Booking Fees	£29,192.00	£23,424.22	£5,767.78	24.62%
Fete Donation	£2,500.00	£2,000.00	£500.00	25.00%
Other Donations	£2,451.00	£0.00	£2,451.00	n/a
Investment Interest	£646.60	£852.71	-£206.11	-24.17%
Total Income	£34,789.60	£26,276.93	£8,512.67	32.40%
Expenditure				
Building Maintenance	£5,238.59	£12,213.35	-£6,974.76	-57.11%
Gardens	£4,510.00	£1,735.00	£2,775.00	159.94%
Caretaking & Cleaning	£4,858.34	£6,004.02	-£1,145.68	-19.08%
Electricity & Heating	£5,149.09	£6,223.30	-£1,074.21	-17.26%
Rates & Waste	£3,819.54	£2,469.88	£1,349.66	54.64%
Insurance	£2,403.00	£2,560.66	-£157.66	-6.16%
Sundry	£2,154.83	£4,804.28	-£2,649.45	-55.15%
Total Expenditure	£28,133.39	£36,010.49	-£7,877.10	-21.87%
Profit/Loss for Period	£6,656.21	-£9,733.56	£16,389.77	-168.38%

Balance Sheet	2024/25	2023/24	Change £	Change %
Assets				
Nat West Bank Accounts	£21,637.11	£13,700.94	£7,936.17	57.92%
Barclays Bank Accounts	£49,001.70	£48,486.01	£515.69	1.06%
Total Assets	£70,638.81	£62,186.95	£8,451.86	13.59%
less Liabilities				
Deposits held	-£1,545.00	-£2,350.00	£805.00	-34.26%
Village Fete Funds	-£8,739.99	-£5,810.84	-£2,929.15	50.41%
Village Bonfire Funds	-£3,629.50	-£3,958.00	£328.50	-8.30%
Total Liabilities	-£13,914.49	-£12,118.84	-£1,795.65	14.82%
Net Assets	£56,724.32	£50,068.11	£6,656.21	13.29%

John Wolsey-Cooper
(Treasurer)

John Brudenell-Leach
(Honorary Auditor)

High Hurstwood Village Hall - Notes to the Accounts
Accounts for the Period :- 01/09/24 - 31/08/25

Basis of Preparation:

Income and Expenditure are accounted for on a cash basis.

Village Hall Trust and Deed:

The objective of the charity under the Trust Deed is the provision and maintenance of the Village Hall for use of the inhabitants of High Hurstwood. The deed states that the Hall should be managed by the management committee accordingly.

Income:

The Hall continues to generate the vast majority of its income through booking fees and this has enabled the Committee to meet their responsibilities under the Trust Deed. Fireflies Nursery has been using the hall weekdays during the day since January which has provided a more stable income and enabled less reliance on weddings and party bookings from outside of the village. Thanks to the hard work of the bookings and maintenance teams the hall is maintained to a good standard and is in high demand. The booking fees of £29,192 were up on last year.

The Village Hall Fete Committee's generous donation of £2,500 this year has contributed significantly towards running costs. Thank you.

Fireflies have also made contributions to the costs of adjustments to the hall and grounds and along with other donations amount to £2,451.00.

Investment interest has reduced to £646.60 which is due to a decrease in interest rates.

The Committee continues to encourage donations and contributions wherever possible as these funds are important to support new initiatives and offset depreciation of the building, fixtures and fittings.

Expenditure:

The cost of running the charity has reduced to £28,133.39. This was due to a number of improvements made to the hall last year.

Building maintenance cost £5,238.59 which included changes to the store to allow easier movement of chairs and tables to give more space for the nursery inside the hall.

The annual amount for garden maintenance increased to £4,510.00. This included providing a safe garden area for the nursery so the children can play outside.

Caretaking and Cleaning has decreased to £4,858.34. The bookings are now done in house and there are less event cleans.

Electricity & Heating has reduced to £5,149.09 due mainly to reduced electricity prices.

Rates and waste have increased to £3,819.54. This is due to increased waste costs.

Insurance has reduced slightly to £2403.00.

Sundry payments are down significantly to £2,154.83. This is because last years costs included a new website and laptop.

The profit for the year was £6,656.21.

Reserves:

The Hall has increased it's reserves by 13.29% over the last year to £56,724.32.

Capital commitments:

There are commitments outstanding of £1,545.00 due to Damage Deposits held and a further £8,739.99 and £3,629.50 relating to the Village Fete and Village Bonfire respectively.

John Wolsey-Cooper
Treasurer



date

02/11/25

Auditor's Certificate:

I confirm that the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance sheet and notes to the accounts are in accordance with the books and records of the High Hurstwood Village hall Committee.



John Brudenell-Leech
Honorary Auditor

date

4/11/25

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Accounts

High Hurstwood Village Hall

Accounts for the Period :- 01/09/23 - 31/08/24

Profit & Loss Account	2023/24	2022/23	Change £	Change %
Income				
Booking Fees	£23,424.22	£23,314.60	£109.62	0.47%
Fete Donation	£2,000.00	£2,500.00	-£500.00	-20.00%
Other Donations	£0.00	£643.71	-£643.71	n/a
Investment Interest	£852.71	£345.36	£507.35	146.90%
Total Income	£26,276.93	£26,803.67	-£526.74	-1.97%
Expenditure				
Building Maintenance	£12,213.35	£3,819.55	£8,393.80	219.76%
Gardens	£1,735.00	£2,707.00	-£972.00	-35.91%
Caretaking & Cleaning	£6,004.02	£6,381.67	-£377.65	-5.92%
Electricity & Heating	£6,223.30	£5,875.51	£347.79	5.92%
Rates & Waste	£2,469.88	£2,098.88	£371.00	17.68%
Insurance	£2,560.66	£2,149.97	£410.69	19.10%
Sundry	£4,804.28	£2,134.65	£2,669.63	125.06%
Total Expenditure	£36,010.49	£25,167.23	£10,843.26	43.08%
Profit/Loss for Period	-£9,733.56	£1,636.44	-£11,370.00	-694.80%

Balance Sheet	2023/24	2022/23	Change £	Change %
Assets				
Nat West Bank Accounts	£13,700.94	£32,911.51	-£19,210.57	-58.37%
HSBC Bank Accounts	£0.00	£5,201.00	-£5,201.00	n/a
Barclays Bank Accounts	£48,486.01	£33,368.86	£15,117.15	45.30%
Total Assets	£62,186.95	£71,481.37	-£9,294.42	-13.00%
less Liabilities				
Deposits held	-£2,350.00	-£950.00	-£1,400.00	147.37%
Village Fete Funds	-£5,810.84	-£5,528.70	-£282.14	5.10%
Village Bonfire Funds	-£3,958.00	-£5,201.00	£1,243.00	-23.90%
Total Liabilities	-£12,118.84	-£11,679.70	-£439.14	3.76%
Net Assets	£50,068.11	£59,801.67	-£9,733.56	-16.28%



John Wolsey-Cooper
(Treasurer)



John Brudenell-Leach
(Honorary Auditor)

High Hurstwood Village Hall - Notes to the Accounts
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Basis of Preparation:

Income and Expenditure are accounted for on a cash basis.

Village Hall Trust and Deed:

The objective of the charity under the Trust Deed is the provision and maintenance of the Village Hall for use of the inhabitants of High Hurstwood. The deed states that the Hall should be managed by the management committee accordingly.

Income:

The Hall continues to generate the vast majority of its income through booking fees and this has enabled the Committee to meet their responsibilities under the Trust Deed. Thanks to the hard work of the bookings and maintenance teams the hall is maintained to a good standard and is in high demand. The booking fees of £23,424 were slightly up on last year.

The Village Hall Fete Committee's generous donation of £2,000 this year has contributed significantly towards running costs. Thank you.

Investment interest has increased significantly to £852.71 which is due to more funds being held on deposit and a slight increase in interest rates.

The Committee continues to encourage donations and contributions wherever possible as these funds are important to support new initiatives and offset depreciation of the building, fixtures and fittings.

Expenditure:

The cost of running the charity has increased significantly this year to £36,010.49. This was mainly due to planned 'one off' expenditures on the building and its services. The costs are expected to drop back to normal levels next year.

Building maintenance has increased by £8393.80 to £12,213.35. New lighting and an electrical report plus resulting recommendations came to £4587.84. Repairs to building cladding and carpentry £1857.44. Repairs and treatment to doors and windows £1241.97. New wifi controlled heating thermostats and heating valve repairs £996.00. New CCTV £2,228.52.

The annual amount for garden maintenance has reduced to £1,735.00. Last year's increase was due to new fencing around the oil tank.

Caretaking and Cleaning has decreased slightly to £6,004.02.

Electricity & Heating has increased by £347.79 to £6,223.30.

Rates and waste have increased by £371.00 to £2,469.88. This is due to increased waste costs.

Insurance has increased by 19.1% to £2,560.66. This is mainly due to the Fete and Bonfire now being included in the same policy. This has reduced the cost of insurance to each organisation with the Fete and Bonfire now paying 10% of the cost each.

Sundry payments are up by £2,669.63 to £4804.28. The new website has cost £2,421.05 this year. There was also a new laptop for the bookings clerk at £462.95.

The loss for the year was £9,733.56.

Reserves:

The Hall has reduced its reserves by 16.28% over the last year but it still has a healthy balance of £50,068.11.

Capital commitments:

There are commitments outstanding of £2,350 due to Damage Deposits held and a further £5,810.84 and £3,958.00 relating to the Village Fete and Village Bonfire respectively.

John Wolsey-Cooper
Treasurer



date 17/10/24

Auditor's Certificate:

I confirm that the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance sheet and notes to the accounts are in accordance with the books and records of the High Hurstwood Village hall Committee.



John Brudenell-Leech
Honorary Auditor

date 19/10/24

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High Hurstwood Village Hall

Accounts for the Period :- 01/09/22 - 31/08/23

Profit & Loss Account	2022/23	2021/22	Change £	Change %
Income				
Booking Fees	£23,314.60	£23,430.75	-£116.15	-0.50%
Fete Donation	£2,500.00	£3,500.00	-£1,000.00	0.00%
Other Donations	£643.71	£0.00		
Investment Interest	£345.36	£11.63	£333.73	2869.56%
Total Income	£26,803.67	£26,942.38	-£138.71	-0.51%
Expenditure				
Building Maintenance	£3,819.55	£6,544.23	-£2,724.68	-41.63%
Gardens	£2,707.00	£1,260.00	£1,447.00	114.84%
Caretaking & Cleaning	£6,381.67	£6,602.58	-£220.91	-3.35%
Electricity & Heating	£5,875.51	£5,151.97	£723.54	14.04%
Rates & Waste	£2,098.88	£3,275.93	-£1,177.05	-35.93%
Insurance	£2,149.97	£2,086.56	£63.41	3.04%
Sundry	£2,134.65	£1,402.56	£732.09	52.20%
Total Expenditure	£25,167.23	£26,323.83	-£1,156.60	-4.39%
Profit/Loss for Period	£1,636.44	£618.55	£1,017.89	164.56%

Balance Sheet	2022/23	2021/22	Change £	Change %
Assets				
Nat West Bank Accounts	£32,911.51	£31,375.05	£1,536.46	4.90%
HSBC Bank Accounts	£5,201.00	£0.00	£5,201.00	
Barclays Bank Accounts	£33,368.86	£27,540.18	£5,828.68	21.16%
Total Assets	£71,481.37	£58,915.23		
less Liabilities				
Deposits held	-£950.00	-£750.00	-£200.00	26.67%
Village Fete Funds	-£5,528.70	£0.00	-£5,528.70	
Village Bonfire Funds	-£5,201.00	£0.00	-£5,201.00	
Total Liabilities	-£11,679.70	-£750.00		
Net Assets	£59,801.67	£58,165.23	£1,636.44	2.81%

John Wolsey-Cooper
(Treasurer)

John Brudenell-Leach
(Honorary Auditor)

High Hurstwood Village Hall - Notes to the Accounts
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Basis of Preparation:

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Village Hall Trust and Deed:

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Income:

The Hall continues to generate the vast majority of its income through booking fees and this has enabled the Committee to meet their responsibilities under the Trust Deed. Thanks to the hard work of the bookings and maintenance teams the hall is maintained to a good standard and is in high demand. The booking fees have held up post covid with a slight reduction of £116.15 compared to last year.

The Village Hall Fete Committee's generous donation of £2,500 this year has contributed significantly towards running costs. Thank you.

Other donations mainly relate to the King's Coronation party held at the hall in the spring which was well attended and a great success.

Investment interest has increased significantly to £345.36 which is due to an increase in interest rates.

The Committee continues to encourage donations and contributions wherever possible as these funds are important to support new initiatives and offset depreciation of the building, fixtures and fittings.

Expenditure:

The cost of running the charity has decreased slightly this year to £25,167.23.

Building maintenance has decreased by £2,724.68 this year to £3,819.55 although £4,100 of last year's costs related to a new boiler. This year we have fitted new lighting around the main hall and adjusted the curtains on the large window.

The annual amount for garden maintenance has increased by £1,447.00 to £2,707.00. £987.00 of this increase relates to new fencing around the oil tank for security and health & safety reasons. The rest of the increase is extra work undertaken by Great Guns for hedge and shrub trimming.

Caretaking and Cleaning has decreased slightly to £6,381.67.

Electricity & Heating has increased by £723.54 to £5,875.51. The increase is mainly due to electricity prices. The hall's supplier contract was up for renewal last autumn at the height of the increases caused by the war in Ukraine. We signed a one year contract which was the minimum available and have now renewed this autumn at just over half the price of last year's contract.

Rates and waste have decreased by £1,177.05 to £2,098.88. This is mainly due to a change in direct debit level for water rates but better bin management has also saved some waste costs.

Insurance has increased by 3% to £2,149.97.

Sundry payments are up by £732.09 to £2,134.65 mainly due costs relating to the King's Coronation party and adjustments to the hall's website.

The profit for the year was £1,636.44 up £1,017.89 from last year.

Reserves:

The Hall has increased its reserves by 2.81% over the last year, with the balance now standing at a healthy £59,801.67.

Capital commitments:

There are commitments outstanding of £950 due to Damage Deposits held and a further £5,528.70 and £5,201.00 relating to the Village Fete and Village Bonfire respectively.

John Wolsey-Cooper
Treasurer



date

26/10/23

Auditor's Certificate:

I confirm that the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance sheet and notes to the accounts are in accordance with the books and records of the High Hurstwood Village hall Committee.

John Brudenell-Leech
Honorary Auditor



date

10/11/2023

HIGH HURSTWOOD VILLAGE HALL

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Accounts

High Hurstwood Village Hall

Accounts for the Period :- 01/09/21 - 31/08/22

Profit & Loss Account	2021/22	2020/21	Change £	Change %
Income				
Booking Fees	£23,430.75	£5,644.50	£17,786.25	315.11%
Fete	£3,500.00	£0.00	£3,500.00	0.00%
Investment Interest	£11.63	£7.48	£4.15	55.48%
Donations/Grants	£0.00	£9,907.43	-£9,907.43	-100.00%
Total Income	£26,942.38	£15,559.41	£11,382.97	73.16%
Expenditure				
Building Maintenance	£6,544.23	£1,873.64	£4,670.59	249.28%
Gardens	£1,260.00	£1,360.00	-£100.00	-7.35%
Caretaking & Cleaning	£6,602.58	£3,398.97	£3,203.61	94.25%
Electricity & Heating	£5,151.97	£2,801.27	£2,350.70	83.92%
Rates & Waste	£3,275.93	£3,110.26	£165.67	5.33%
Insurance	£2,086.56	£1,960.42	£126.14	6.43%
Sundry	£1,402.56	£1,225.08	£177.48	14.49%
Total Expenditure	£26,323.83	£15,729.64	£10,594.19	67.35%
Profit/Loss for Period	£618.55	-£170.23	£788.78	-463.36%

Balance Sheet	2021/22	2020/21	Change £	Change %
Assets				
Nat West Current Account	£15,362.79	£14,855.87	£506.92	3.41%
Nat West Deposit Accounts	£16,012.26	£16,004.77	£7.49	0.05%
Barclays Deposit Account	£27,540.18	£27,536.04	£4.14	0.02%
less Liabilities				
Deposits held	-£750.00	-£850.00	£100.00	-11.76%
Net Assets	£58,165.23	£57,546.68	£618.55	1.07%

John Wolsey-Cooper
(Treasurer)

John Brudenell-Leach
(Honorary Auditor)

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Village Hall Trust and Deed:

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Income:

This is the first year since 2018/19 that the Hall has generated its income from normal bookings without any grants to help with coronavirus restrictions. This has resulted in a big jump in income of over 300%. However, comparing to the 2018/19 year the increase is 4.3%.

Investment interest has increased slightly to £11.63 which is due to a increase in interest rates.

The Committee continues to encourage donations and contributions wherever possible as these funds are important to support new initiatives and offset depreciation of the building, fixtures and fittings.

Expenditure:

The cost of running the building has increased this year as the building has returned to normal use.

Building maintenance has increased by £4,670.59 this year to £6,544.23 although £4,100 of this relates to a new boiler.

The annual amount for garden maintenance has reduced by £100 to £1,260.00.

Caretaking and Cleaning has increased by £3,203.61 to £6,602.58. Compared to the 2018/19 figure of £6,502.19 this is an increase of £100.39.

Electricity & Heating has increased by £2,350.70 to £5,151.97. The increase compared to 2018/19 is still £1,349.08 which reflects the general increase in oil and electricity.

Rates and waste have increased by 5.33% to £3,275.93.

Insurance has increased by 6.43% to £2,086.56.

Sundry payments are up by 14.49% to £1,402.56 mainly due to an increase in performance rights fee's which were previously lower due to hall closure during covid.


The profit for the year was £618.55 up from a loss last year of £170.23.

Reserves:

The Hall has increased its reserves by 1.07% over the last year, with the balance now standing at a healthy £58,165.23.

Capital commitments:


There are commitments outstanding totalling £750 due to Damage Deposits held.


John Wolsey-Cooper
Treasurer

date 02/11/22

Auditor's Certificate:

I confirm that the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance sheet and notes to the accounts are in accordance with the books and records of the High Hurstwood Village hall Committee.


John Brudenell-Leech
Honorary Auditor

date 05/11/22