

HARROLD INSTITUTE

England & Wales · Charity number 268251

Details

Other names	HARROLD CENTRE
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1974-09-30
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Harrold Centre High Street Harrold Bedford MK43 7BH
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Activities

Objects: THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISHES OF HARROLD, CARLTON WITH CHELLINGTON AND ODELL 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.

Activities: The purpose of the committee is to ensure that Centre provides a suitable facility for all local people. Users are Pre School, Dance, Kept Fit, Zumba, Snooker/Youth/Corner Clubs, meeting venue, Parish Council & general hire. We also hold an annual Pit Run in late April which attracts 200 competitors. The Institute (aka Harrold Centre) has been refurbished, reopening in September 2017.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** HARROLD, CARLTON WITH CHELLINGTON AND ODELL
- Bedford

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£34,020	£25,417	-	-
2024-04-05	£52,783	£65,917	-	-
2023-04-05	£45,262	£38,178	-	-
2022-04-05	£28,161	£33,337	-	-
2021-04-05	£37,014	£18,577	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mark Bell	Chair	2024-07-09
Christine Angela Woodley		2022-07-12
Christopher Chaplin		2021-07-19
Deborah Earl		2021-07-19
Julie Ann Racine Bell		2023-09-13
Michael Alison		2021-12-13
Paul Earl		2022-10-10
Rose Johnston		2024-02-27
Yvonne Bianca Wolframm-Murray		2021-07-19

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	6th April 2024	To	5 April 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mark Bell	Chairman	From 9/7/24	
2	Rose Johnston	Treasurer		
3	Julie Bell			
4	Paul Earl			
5	Christine Woodley			
6	Michael Alison			
7	Christopher Chaplin			
8	Deborah Earl			
9	Yvonne Wolfram-Murray			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <small>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</small>	Trust deed
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg. trust, association, company)</small>	Trust
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</small>	Existing trustees can nominate, or external individuals submit themselves for nomination. Nominees are then voted on by the trustees by simple majority. No person or body is entitled to appoint any additional trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The trustees oversee the day to day running of the centre. The trustees seek the views of the residents and volunteers in deciding the activities to be run.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of residents of Harrold, Carlton and Odell, including use for meetings, lectures, classes and other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the aim of improving the conditions of life for the said residents.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The hall provides a venue for yoga classes, dance classes, Monday morning café, baby and toddler group, book club, Sunday brunches, drama productions, musical events, film nights, social events, weddings and parties, art and craft fairs and various group meetings.

The centre also leases a room with a full-sized snooker table to the Harrold snooker club and leases two hard courts with flood lights to the Harrold lawn tennis club.

The annual Pit Run, a 5K run around the local park, and village fete are organised by a sub committee of volunteers from the centre.

In planning our activities for the year, the trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, which can be evidenced by the excellent feedback it gets from the public and by the support it receives from the Parish Council and other grant-awarding authorities.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

We are grateful for the many hours volunteers have spent providing their time to manage events at the centre. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise we would be unable to provide these facilities for the residents.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The charity provides support for all sectors of the community, but is particularly supportive of the young and the old in providing warm and cool spaces when required. In particular the baby and toddler club, Monday morning café and monthly brunches are well attended by these age groups.

The centre provides a wide range of facilities for local residents, which are being increasingly utilised. Fundraising events such as barn dances, quiz nights, Pit run, bingo, drama productions and musical concerts provide entertainment as well as raising necessary funds to heat and maintain the building.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Bank and cash balances at the year-end were a healthy £30,686 and we have now paid off the remaining debt incurred during the refurbishment of the centre in 2017. The main financial risk to the charity is its closure to the public due to fire, flood or pandemic. Funds are held to cover 6 months operational costs in the event of loss of income and to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The centre has had a good year financially, making a profit of £9,335, an increase of £13,948, excluding grants, over 2023/24. Principal sources of income are fundraising and the hire of halls and meeting rooms.

Solar panels purchased the previous year have reduced electricity bills by almost £3,000 and we hope soon to receive income from the SEG scheme. Improvements included a new website £1,500, a shed for Toddler equipment £2,409 and an understage storage system £1,952.

Future improvements are anticipated to include the installation of an air source heat pump in the caretaker's flat to replace the inefficient electric heating system and the resurfacing of the car park. Funds are being accumulated to cover these costs and applications for grants are being made.

Section F


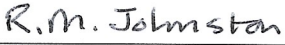
Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Mark Bell	Rose Johnston
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	Treasurer
Date	19/01/2026	



Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
The Harrold Institute

On accounts for the year ended

4th April 2025 Charity no (if any) 268251

Set out on pages

1 and 2
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date: 19th January 2026

Name: M J Hartwell

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

None

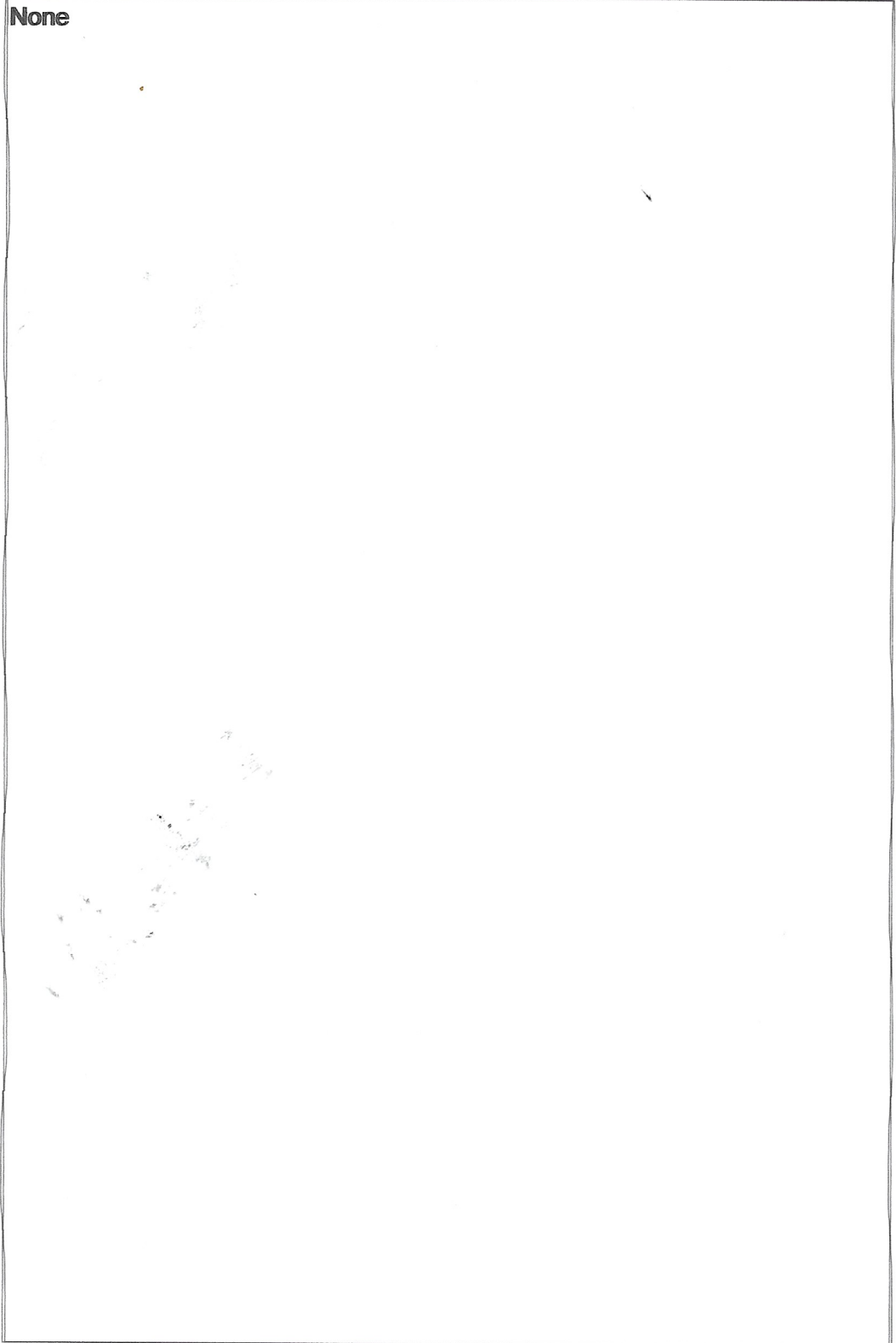
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None





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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2024	To	Period end date 05/04/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fund raising	18,383			18,383	16,948
Hire of Centre	11,458			11,458	13,293
Donations	652			652	570
Annual rents	1,420			1,420	1,249
Monthly rents	1,500			1,500	1,500
Improvement Grants				-	18,912
Interest received	607			607	312
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	34,020	-	-	34,020	52,784
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	34,020	-	-	34,020	52,784
A3 Payments					
Fundraising costs	-			-	9,598
Electric and Gas	5,402			5,402	8,692
Business and water rates	584			584	676
Insurance	4,326			4,326	4,031
Licences	1,264			1,264	449
Repairs and Maintenance	7,759			7,759	4,559
Improvements	-			-	27,129
Telephone and admin	1,189			1,189	681
Cleaning	391			391	-
Website	1,500			1,500	363
Garden	854			854	-
Online card fees	342			342	555
Loan repayments	1,806			1,806	9,185
Sub total	25,417	-	-	25,417	65,918
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	25,417	-	-	25,417	65,918
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,603	-	-	8,603	- 13,134
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,083	-	-	22,083	35,217
Cash funds this year end	30,686	-	-	30,686	22,083

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	NatWest current account	19,058	-	-
	Charities Deposit Account	11,177	-	-
	Equals Money cash account	140	-	-
	Petty cash	311	-	-
	Total cash funds	30,686	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	-	-	-

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Harrold Centre		-	1,000,000
	Tables		-	100
	Chairs		-	4,000
	Kitchen equipment		-	2,000
	Children's furniture		-	180
	Projection equipment		-	2,000
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Charity Bank Loan	5,993		
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print name	Date of approval

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 06/04/2023 **Period start date**

To 05/004/2024 **Period end date**

Charity name: Harrold Institute

Charity registration number: 268251

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of residents of Harrold, Carlton and Odell, including use for meetings, lectures, classes and other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the aim of improving the conditions of life for the said residents.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	A Snooker club with full-sized snooker table and a tennis club with two hard-courts and floodlights. Dance classes, Yoga, Book Club, Baby & Toddler club, Monday morning café, Sunday Brunches, drama productions, musical events, social events, weddings, and parties, art and craft fairs and various group meetings.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit which can be evidenced by the excellent feedback it gets from the public and the support of the Parish Council and other grant-awarding authorities.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by	Para 1.38	

volunteers		
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The charity provides support for all sectors of the community – but is particularly supportive of the young and the old in providing warm and cool spaces when required; the baby and toddler club, and café facilities. It provides a wide range of facilities for local residents, which are being increasingly utilised

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

<p>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</p>	<p>Para 1.21</p>	<p>The Harrold Institute has had a very good year financially with profit of over £7000. This has been achieved despite significant investments and continuing repairs and maintenance. The two major areas of income are fund raising and hire of the Institute. The most significant reason for the increased income is the return of the Pit Run in 2022, the net profit from which was in the order of £4,400. Other fund raising was also much increased with regular events, brunches, film nights etc. Hire of Institute income has almost doubled since the last financial year. Yoga classes, dance classes continue to be very significant and regular income streams. Toddler group restarting, the return of Adhoc events post-Covid, and a significant increase in the number of parties and social events have made a major contribution. The Institute has developed a strong reputation as an attractive venue for many types of events. All this brings with it an increase in workload, and we are lucky to have an active and engaged committee, but we remain over-stretched. Major investments during the financial year were in new furniture, which was supported by grants from the Bedford Borough Council and the Parish Council, and in a new dishwasher. The most significant spend (over £3000) in maintenance was incurred for an electrical safety check and subsequent fixes. Energy costs, of course remain a major concern as the previous fixed price deals ended at the time of peak energy rises. As a result of these rises, we will review the annual Snooker Club rent. Overall, the £7,000 operating profit is good and bank balance is healthy. The strength of year financially has enabled the Institute to pay off a further £7000 of the loan from the Charities Bank. (Although not shown in the financial year being reported, the loan is now down to under £9000, with current payments of approximately £150/month, completing in 2028.)</p>
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		Future investments and repairs are anticipated to include solar panels, repairs to the chimney, signage, further improvements to storage facilities and, possibly, to the car park. The intention to move the status of the Harrold Institute from an unincorporated to an incorporated charity will also involve changing bank accounts which will require careful management.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	N/A
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Charity Commission scheme,
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Existing Trustees can nominate, or external individuals submit themselves for nomination. Nominees are then voted on by the trustees by simple majority. No person or body is entitled to appoint any additional trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Harrold Institute
Other name the charity uses	Harrold Centre
Registered charity number	268251
Charity's principal address	High Street Harrold Bedford MK43 7BH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Chris Chaplin	Chair		
2	Yvonne Wolframm-Murray	Secretary		
3	Debbie Earl			
4	Paul Earl			
5	Chris Woodley			
6	Rose Johnston			
7	Mike Alison			
8	Julie Bell			
9	Duncan Gray			
10	Phil Briggs	Treasurer		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information


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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Chris Chaplin	
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair	
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Date

08/02/2025



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Chair's Report - 2023

Absolutely top of my agenda is to say thank-you to an incredibly hard-working committee; and I will express especial thanks to Paul & Debbie Earl and Chris Woodley; Paul & Chris only joined at this time last year and the difference they have made has been massive. I would also like to thank Sara Muldowney who, whilst not on the Committee (and is working tonight), has taken on the role of Bar Manager and is doing a cracking job. But everybody is working very hard, so thanks. It has been a particularly busy year for Duncan too. Duncan has supported the Centre now for many years - including a good number as Chair - and he was going to stand down at this AGM but he has very kindly agreed to stay on for one last year - to see our Solar Panels installed (hopefully!). However, we will need a new Maintenance manager next year. Very many thanks Duncan.

Talking of people of have supported the Centre for many years, we held a little birthday celebration for John Tusting on his 90th Birthday in September, which was very successful.

Anyway, thanks to everybody's hard work, it has been a very successful year in many ways: we have paid off more of our outstanding loan and plan to report to the next AGM that we have paid it all off. Phil will provide detail to our finances in his report - but, particularly considering the after-effects of COVID and the massive hike in energy costs, we are very pleased with our financial position.

We have continued to improve the Centre's facilities; we have bought new kitchen equipment (e.g. a new dishwasher for the kitchen, moving the glasswasher to the bar and a new coffee machine funded by the Calvados Society); a lighting desk and a ladder for secure access to the lighting and support bars and new storage cupboards in the Tasting Room.

Our regulars such as Yoga & Dancing are continuing, although we sadly lost the Warhammer Group (not our fault) and we are pleased to report that Yvonne and more recently Christine have got the Toddlers' Club going again which is proving a great success. Christine & Debbie are also just starting a Summer Coffee Morning club, once a week on a Monday morning.

Fran picked up the baton for the 2023 Pit Run which was another great success and continues to be the Centre's biggest fund-raiser - so many thanks to Fran and her team. However, having spent a considerable amount of time documenting the tasks involved in running the Pit Run, she is now passing the baton on. To whom is not yet clear, but if no-one comes forward then the baton will be dropped!!



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Sunday Brunches and Friday Film nights continue to flourish; the Coronation Brunch in particular was hugely popular. We are also getting more hirings for Weddings, Anniversaries & Birthdays and invariably get excellent feedback – so well done us and in particular well done to Maureen who looks after these precious customers – and then cleans up!!!

There are an increasing number of other events which we organise or arrange such as: a Treasure Trail, Pantaloons Touring Drama–Great Expectations, Adhoc / PTA Murder Mystery, a Freshers' Event, a Christmas Craft Fair, Drama - *Single or Return* (Adhoc), Amazing Grace (Film & Choir), a Christmas Quiz, and a wonderful Barn Dance – to name just some!

We have spent a considerable amount of time seeking funding and quotes for solar panels, which obviously have to be discreet. We are almost there and will be applying to the Mayor's Fund for matched funding very soon. Given the huge increase in energy costs, this initiative will save the Centre a considerable amount.

We are also looking at options for a more permanent solution to the Car Park and at the cost of making the area just outside the Centre into an enclosed (but accessible) garden which will make the Centre an even better venue for weddings etc. – and will protect the Toddlers' Club shed from further damage by over-enthusiastic footballers!

We were also involved in setting up a N Beds Village Halls network which was a Sharnbrook initiative. It is proving a useful information exchange and a way of communicating each other's events. One very helpful meeting concentrated on the issue of changing charitable status from unincorporated to incorporated (a bit like the difference between a sole trader and a limited company). As Trustees, we have taken out insurance to protect us from being individually or corporately sued – but there are other issues, and the Committee has decided that we will begin proceedings to start this process in the coming year.

It is going to be another busy and exciting year and we would love to have more members on the Committee to help share the load – it is genuinely very rewarding; a way of giving something back to the village. In addition to general help in running events etc, we specifically would like someone to be responsible for marketing & media; someone gifted at Facebook possibly Tik Tok, Twitter etc. and ideally, Web page maintenance. Also someone else who would be responsible for applying for the many grants which are available if you know where to look (we can help there) and have the time to fill in and follow up the applications.



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At a personal level, I am prepared to stay on as Chair, but I would love it if somebody else would like to take the reins; I would be more than happy to stay on the committee and support the new Chair.



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Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	Period start date 4/6/2022	To	Period end date 4/5/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fund raising	17,523	-	-	17,523	2,256
Donations (other)	3,258	-	-	3,258	420
Hire of Centre	16,777	-	-	16,777	8,951
Annual rents	637	-	-	637	986
Monthly rents	1,641	-	-	1,641	1,500
Improvement Grants	2,500	2,836	-	5,336	2,083
Deposit Acc. Interest	91	-	-	91	3
Covid support	-	-	-	-	11,962
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	42,427 ##	2,836 ##	- #	45,263	28,161
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	42,427	2,836	-	45,263	28,161
A3 Payments					
Electric and Gas	3,628	-	-	3,628	2,543
Water	363	-	-	363	60
Cleaning	150	-	-	150	325
Repairs and Maintenance	6,496	-	-	6,496	6,633
Telephone and admin	521	-	-	521	1,524
Petty Cash	204	-	-	204	66
Insurance	3,704	-	-	3,704	3,206
Licences	339	-	-	339	332
Centre events	10,308	-	-	10,308	715
Other (inc. marketing)	337	-	-	337	372
Hire costs	724	-	-	724	-
Improvements	5,247	2,836	-	8,083	3,832
Loan repayments	3,321	-	-	3,321	13,729
Sub total	35,342 ##	2,836 ##	- #	38,178 #	33,337
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	35,342	2,836	-	38,178	33,337
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,085	-	-	7,085	5,176
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	28,132	-	-	28,132	33,309
Cash funds this year end	35,217	-	-	35,217	28,133

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	NatWest current account	29,929	-	-
	Charities Deposit Account	5,258	-	-
	Soldo petty cash account	30	-	-
	Total cash funds	35,217	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Harrold Centre		-	1,000,000
	Marquee		-	500
	Tables		-	100
	Chairs		-	4,000
	Kitchen equipment		-	2,000
	Children's furniture		-	180
	Projection equipment		-	2,000
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details			
	Charity Bank Loan	15,891		
			-	
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Harrold Institute		268251		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	Period start date 4/6/2021	To	Period end date 4/5/2022	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fund raising	2,256	-	-	2,256	1,050
Donations (other)	420	-	-	420	3,866
Hire of Centre	8,951	-	-	8,951	1,459
Annual rents	986	-	-	986	1,286
Monthly rents	1,500	-	-	1,500	1,535
Improvement Grants	2,083	-	-	2,083	-
Deposit Acc. Interest	3	-	-	3	-
Covid support	11,962	-	-	11,962	20,098
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	28,161 ##	- ##	- ##	28,161 ##	29,294
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,161	-	-	28,161	29,294
A3 Payments					
Electric and Gas	2,543	-	-	2,543	2,848
Water	60	-	-	60	200
Cleaning	325	-	-	325	-
Repairs and Maintenance	6,633	-	-	6,633	6,912
Telephone and admin	1,624	-	-	1,624	743
Insurance	3,206	-	-	3,206	2,759
Licences	332	-	-	332	563
Centre events	715	-	-	715	200
Other (inc. marketing)	372	-	-	372	-
Improvements	3,832	-	-	3,832	-
Loan repayments	13,729	-	-	13,729	1,464
Sub total	33,371 ##	- ##	- ##	33,371 ##	15,689
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	33,371	-	-	33,371	15,689
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 5,210	-	-	- 5,210	13,605
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	33,309	-	-	33,309	33,309
Cash funds this year end	28,099	-	-	28,099	46,914

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	NatWest current account	22,931	-	-
	Charities Deposit Account	5,167	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	28,098	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Harrold Centre		-	1,000,000
	Marquee		-	500
	Tables		-	100
	Chairs		-	4,000
	Kitchen equipment		-	2,000
	Children's furniture		-	180
	Projection equipment		-	2,000
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details			
	Charity Bank Loan	18,104		
			-	
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I have examined the summary of Income and Expenditure for the year ended the 5th of April 2019 and the Assets and Liabilities as at that date together with the books and vouchers provided by the Treasurer. In my opinion the said summaries fairly state the transactions of the Harrold Centre for the year ended 5th April 2018, and the assets and liabilities at that date.

Mr M Hartwell

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Harrold Institute

**On accounts for the year
ended**

5th April 23023

**Charity no
(if any)**

268251

Set out on pages

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

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

31.01.2024

Name:

M J Hartwell

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

None

Address:

5 Meadway

Harrold, Bedford

Beds, MK43 7DP

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

There were 3 material donations which had no supporting documentation. These were:

1. £1,617.17 received from the Cooperative Society
2. £1,518.47 received from Sportsform Ltd
3. £262.90 received from the Cooperative Society

These were deemed to be donations with no restrictions as to their utilisation by the Harrold Institute and have been recorded as "Unrestricted" within the Receipts and Payments account.

There were other amounts not supported by documentation, but these were only small items and deemed not to be material in value.

Going forward, I have asked the treasurer to ensure that letters or Emails are received from Donors confirming the amounts donated and any restrictions that may apply to their use by the Harrold Institute,

HARROLD INSTITUTE

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2021	To	Period end date 05/04/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fund raising	2,256	-	-	2,256	1,050
Donations (other)	420	-	-	420	4,609
Hire of Centre	8,951	-	-	8,951	1,459
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Monthly rents	1,500	-	-	1,500	1,535
Improvement Grants	2,083	-	-	2,083	6,972
Deposit Acc. Interest	3	-	-	3	6
Covid support	11,962	-	-	11,962	20,098
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	28,161	-	-	28,161	37,015
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,161	-	-	28,161	37,015
A3 Payments					
Electric and Gas	2,543	-	-	2,543	2,109
Water	60	-	-	60	200
Cleaning	325	-	-	325	-
Repairs and Maintenance	6,633	-	-	6,633	3,979
Telephone and admin	1,524	-	-	1,524	743
Petty Cash	66	-	-	66	-
Insurance	3,206	-	-	3,206	2,759
Licences	332	-	-	332	563
Centre events	715	-	-	715	200
Other (inc. marketing)	372	-	-	372	-
Improvements	3,832	-	-	3,832	6,560
Loan repayments	13,729	-	-	13,729	1,464
Sub total	33,337	-	-	33,337	18,577
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	33,337	-	-	33,337	18,577
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,176	-	-	5,176	18,438
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	33,309	-	-	33,309	14,871
Cash funds this year end	28,133	-	-	28,133	33,309

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

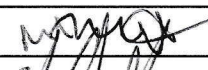

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	Charities Deposit Account	5,167	-	-
	Soldo account	34	-	-
	Total cash funds	28,132	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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	Harrold Centre		-	1,000,000
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	Tables		-	100
	Chairs		-	4,000
	Kitchen equipment		-	2,000
	Children's furniture		-	180
	Projection equipment		-	2,000
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details			
	Charity Bank Loan	18,104		
			-	

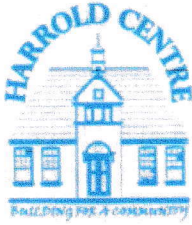
I have examined the summary of Receipts and Payments for the year ended the 5th of April 2022 and the Assets and Liabilities as at that date together with the books and vouchers provided by the Treasurer. In my opinion the said summaries fairly state the transactions of the Harrold Centre for the year ended 5th April 2022, and the assets and liabilities at that date.


 Mr M Hartwell
 Independent examiner

30.11.2023

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	P. A. BRIGGS	26/01/2023
	C. L. CHARLIN	26/01/2023



Harrold Centre Management Committee

AGM – July 2022

Chair's Report

Firstly, I would like to thank the Committee for their incredible hard work and support over the last twelve months – including Kevin White who had to resign due to the pressures of work (who has been ably succeeded by Mike Alison as the tennis club rep, who is now a Trustee) and Pam Groom who resigned as she was leaving the village – but has still supported us from outside the Committee: thanks, Pam.

We started the year with Covid rules waning – but then there was a resurgence at the beginning of the calendar year, so our rules had to quickly adjust for constantly changing circumstances. My thanks to Fran for keeping abreast of all the associated paperwork and keeping us legal and as safe as possible – and also to Maureen for coping with the additional workload without complaint.

As a result, there were very few bookings early on – but Brunches were restarted in September and Film Nights in October and other regular bookings started to come back – dance and yoga for example. Other bookings grew and we have had more bookings for engagement & birthday parties, wedding receptions and other family parties than ever before as our reputation as a wonderful and reasonably-priced venue grows: our most recent engagement party came over from Milton Keynes, for example.

Talking of bookings – it has been a very busy year for our treasurer. The new booking system has meant a far greater involvement from the treasurer, sending reminders, invoices etc. so that Maureen no longer has to deal with cash payments; a new card system for the Caretaker, a number of grant applications, the introduction of electronic banking and much more. Detail will be provided in the Treasurer's Report – but my grateful thanks goes to Phil Briggs for all his hard work and support. Phil has also been responsible for the creation of an electronic filing system and photo library for the Centre and many IT related issues. Thanks, Phil.

The caretaker's contract, drawn up 30-odd years ago was totally unfit for purpose, so a new, mutually agreed contract was drawn up with Maureen Clayton for an initial 3-year period, with a 3-year extension option. This was signed in October.

My thanks also to Duncan Gray who is responsible for maintenance and liaising with Maureen over Centre matters. He has efficiently dealt with multiple maintenance issues, the most important being getting a number pad on the main doors and implementing a new security regime; the replacement of the old guttering and broken roof tiles at cost of £2,500 (thanks to Fred Kidd for doing an excellent job). It should be noted that much of the maintenance work has been actually carried out by Colin Campbell who has carried out these responsibilities efficiently, cost-effectively and in a timely fashion – our thanks to Colin. Finally Duncan has been leading on our attempt to introduce Solar Panels – but we are awaiting both planning permission and grant funding before we can proceed with this. Hopefully this will appear in next year's report!

Our public visibility has been much improved thanks to the efforts of Debbie Earl (via The Bridge), Pam Groom (via Facebook) and Yvonne Wolfram-Murray (via the Web site) – in addition to her duties as minuting secretary – my thanks to all of them.

Whilst talking of thanking people, we were delighted to host a "thank-you" celebration for John & Jane Tusting. John retired from the committee at the end of last year after many years of incredibly generous support – both financially and with his time and energy. Thank you John.

The Centre has hosted a number of other events over the year:

- A craft fair (thanks Fran & Bethany Wells)
- A Jazz night
- A Christmas Quiz (thanks, Phil)
- A fantastic brain-storming evening (thanks Pam) which was well attended, many positive ideas emerging (documented by Pam) but in the end – nobody (with the exception of the

Youth Club- not yet off the ground) would take responsibility for any of the ideas – so nothing has happened: which is very sad.

- A table-top sale in aid of Ukraine (thanks to Jacqui Allen)
- And of course our regular Friday Film Nights (thanks to Rod & Liz Williams) and our monthly Sunday Brunches – now provided by a bigger team supporting me: Paul & Debbie Earl, Fran, Pam, Yvonne, Mike, Christine Woodley, Mary & Geoff Chatfield, Tony Lockwood and Sue Breach – thanks guys.

But the two big events were:

- The Jubilee weekend – a production by Adhoc (Lovely Jubbley – thanks to Sue Breach) and the Jubilee Brunch – both sponsored by the Centre and underwritten by the Parish Council. As it happened the underwriting was not required and the Centre / Adhoc managed to donate c. £1,200 to Ukraine support. So in conjunction with Jacqui's £800 the Centre has been involved in donating c. £2,000 to Ukraine Charities. Well done all!
- The Pit Run: after a two-year, Covid-enforced break, Yvonne managed to get the 2022 Pit Run going. It was an uphill struggle so many thanks to her and the scarily few people who supported her – including Fran. Many thanks also to everybody who supported this very successful village event, and in particular to the many local business sponsors, one of whom, Amps Ltd (Paul Alexander) has also subsequently donated ten stage lights to the Centre, adding another element to our USP! Thanks Paul. In addition, Pam and Christine organised a post Pit-Run Family Party which was very well received. With lessons learned, we hope to repeat this next year.

One decision the Committee has taken this year may be worth highlighting: it has a number of resources which can be used by hirers of the Centre – tables, chairs, cutlery, glasses, place settings – even a marquee (very near the end of its life). We agreed that we do not lend or hire these resources out – the complications of managing the process dealing with breakages etc. does not make this a cost-effective or even a viable option.

Perhaps the most controversial issue of the year started in August when McCann homes approached the Committee with an outline proposal to buy some land from us to enable access to land owned by John Osborne behind the Centre upon which they wanted to build some homes. This did not seem appropriate to the Committee, but they decided that such a major decision should not be decided by seven unelected residents – the Trustees of the Centre. They decided that the Parish Council should review the proposal and that the residents of Harrold should be consulted. This process duly took place and the Parish Council – having listened to the views of the villagers decided that they would not support this application. As a result we wrote to McCann declining their offer.

Considering where we started the year – it was very busy and, in the main very productive. We have welcomed a lot of people through our doors throughout the year and virtually without exception they have said what a great venue it is. It is expensive to run, so we do not make a lot of money over the course of the year and we need support from the Parish Council and various grant agencies – including the Borough Council, with regard to major expenditure (such as car park resurfacing, solar panels additional storage etc.) – but with this support we can continue to grow into one of the “go-to” venues of North Beds and provide an excellent resource for residents of the three villages.

Finally, on a personal note, the current committee is seven-strong; five of whom are over sixty and three over seventy. It is simply not enough to run and grow this busy, ever-developing venue.

I am prepared to continue as Chair, if required; indeed it is a privilege to do so, but I am not prepared to do so in conjunction with all my other responsibilities with regard to the centre which I have detailed elsewhere. If nothing changes I fear we may have no alternative but to hand management over to the Parish Council. I know that other committee members feel similarly, albeit in differing ways. We desperately need some new blood.

HARROLD INSTITUTE

England & Wales - Charity number 268251

Accounts



Harrold Institute		268251		
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from		06/04/2020	To	05/04/2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fund raising	1,050	-	-	1,050	7,874
Donations (other)	4,609	-	-	4,609	3,866
Hire of Centre	1,459	-	-	1,459	13,497
Covid Support	20,098	-	-	20,098	
Annual rents	1,286	-	-	1,286	1,536
Monthly rents	1,535	-	-	1,535	1,666
Redev grants	6,972	-	-	6,972	18,000
Deposit Acc. Interest	6	-	-	6	22
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	37,014	-	-	37,014	46,461
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	37,014	-	-	37,014	46,461
A3 Payments					
Electric and Gas	2,109	-	-	2,109	2,848
Water	200	-	-	200	666
Repairs and Maintenance	3,979	-	-	3,979	6,912
Telephone and admin	743	-	-	743	936
Insurance	2,759	-	-	2,759	2,746
Licences	563	-	-	563	560
Petty cash	-	-	-	-	-
Donations (Pit run payments)	-	-	-	-	897
Centre events	200	-	-	200	1,976
Other (inc. marketing)	-	-	-	-	703
Redevelopment costs	6,560	-	-	6,560	5,928
Loan interest/repayments	1,464	-	-	1,464	21,977
Sub total	18,577	-	-	18,577	46,149
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	18,577	-	-	18,577	46,149
Net of receipts/(payments)		-	-	18,436	312
A5 Transfers between funds	18,438	-	-		-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,871	-	-		14,559
Cash funds this year end	33,309	-	-	18,436	14,871



Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	NatWest current account	28,145	-	-
	Charities Deposit Account	5,164	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	33,309	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Harrold Centre		-	1,000,000
	Marquee		-	2,000
	Tables		-	500
	Chairs		-	3,000
	Kitchen equipment		-	2,000
	Children's furniture		-	180
	Projection equipment		-	2,000
			-	-
		-	-	
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Charity Bank Loan	30,118		
			-	

I have examined the summary of Income and Expenditure for the year ended the 5th of April 2021 and the Assets and Liabilities as at that date together with the books and vouchers provided by the Treasurer. In my opinion the said summaries fairly state the transactions of the Harrold Centre for the year ended 5th April 2021, and the assets and liabilities at that date.


 Mr M Hartwell
 21/1/2022

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	CHRIS CHAPLIN	21/1/22
	P.A BRIGGS	21/1/22

Annual return for HARROLD INSTITUTE, High Street. Harrold MK43 7BH

Charity registration number: 268251

Report for the financial year April 2020 -April 2021

The Harrold Institute, more commonly known as the Harrold Centre, acts as the Harrold village hall. The building provides a venue from which local people can access a wide range of social, health and educational related activities. The charitable objectives of Harrold Centre are: "the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the parishes of Harrold, Carlton with Chellington and Odell 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."

The Harrold Centre is managed by a number of elected, volunteer trustees, voted in an open forum at the organisation's Annual General meeting. During the year, the Chair, Philip Briggs, stood down temporarily due to ill health and was replaced by Fran Ross as temporary Chair.

Not surprisingly, activity was very low during the period under review, and, for a large part of the year, the facility was formally closed due to Covid restrictions. For periods when opening was possible the Trustees took detailed steps to ensure that all Government Guidelines were followed and took advice from ACRE (Action with Communities in Rural England) on how best to implement the restrictions to keep everyone safe. The Trustees continued to manage the facility with virtual meetings.

Inevitably, income from use of the building was very low, but financial security was maintained thanks to generous Covid support grants from the local council (Bedfordshire Borough) and to support from the Harrold Parish Council. The organisation continues to pay down a loan of £25,000 from the Charities Bank which was raised in 2016 to support major refurbishment and extension to the building. Despite this the Harrold Centre remains financially secure. The final phase of the redevelopment was completed in 2020 when new front doors were installed thanks to a separate, generous grant donation.

Philip Briggs 25/01/2022