

# NORTHIAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 269218

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1971-11-09

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF NORTHIAM WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS INCLUDING USE FOR MEETINGS, LECTURES AND CLASSES AND FOR OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATIONS WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS.

**Activities:** Community Village Hall for use by residents, societies, clubs and associations of the parish of Northiam and its vicinity, for recreation and social purposes, with the object of improving the conditions of life for those residents.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Area of benefit: NORTHIAM
- East Sussex

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£36,663	£33,302	-	-
2024-12-31	£45,259	£35,579	-	-
2023-12-31	£39,874	£40,471	-	-
2022-12-31	£34,897	£33,317	-	-
2021-12-31	£34,680	£42,843	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Keith Whiting</b>	Chair	2019-04-24
Bernard Michael Bone		2019-04-23
Christine Palmer		2019-04-23
John Fenton		2021-04-21
John Palmer		2019-04-23
Margaret Davies		2022-03-24
Peter Brough Sargent		2019-04-23
Richard Woodford Robinson		2019-04-23
Sarah Louise Giles		2019-04-23
Sue Schlesinger		2021-05-18
Susan Elizabeth Franklin		2026-03-17
Sylvia Wickens		2019-07-30

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# Accounts

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**ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2025**

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Keith Whiting (Chair); Christine Palmer (Secretary); Sylvia Wickens (Bookings Secretary); Bernie Bone (Treasurer); Margaret Davies; John Fenton; Sarah Giles; John Palmer; Richard Robinson; Pete Sargent, and Sue Schlesinger.

The Trust generates its income from rentals paid by hall users, supplemented by donations and fund-raising activities. Day-to-day running costs absorb most of the income, and any surplus is used towards maintenance and improvements to the hall. Where appropriate, grants from other bodies are accessed by the Trust to assist with the cost of specific projects and significant improvement works.

A major event for the village hall in 2025 was a Pantomime (Dick Whittington), put on for the 2025 Christmas season and the first stage production in the hall for more than 10 years. In Spring 2025 when the Trustee committee first committed to the show, there was a lot of uncertainty as to the outcome, but in the end all three performances were sold out with some 500 people from Northiam and beyond enjoying the show. Total revenue (ticket sales, programme sales, refreshments etc) was £6,709, which comfortably covered costs (scenery, costumes, performing rights etc) of £4,103. The surplus will enable us to improve some of the hall facilities to support future productions, provide additional storage capacity, and make some necessary improvements to our sound and lighting systems.

During 2025 we have been fortunate to obtain grant assistance from the National Lottery Community Fund in two tranches: £1800 to provide downlighters in the main hall to give flexibility to the lighting options; and £2750 towards the cost of replacing the old incandescent stage lighting with up-to-date LED, computer controlled, flexible lighting, much needed if we are to mount future stage productions.

During the financial year ended 31 Dec 2025 our income from hiring the halls was £15,496, slightly down on 2024. Other regular income of £3,650 and fund-raising income of £12,967 (including the Pantomime) gave us total "trading" income of £32,113 (£26,249 in 2024). Total revenue, which includes grants for special projects, was £36,663. This is less than total revenue for 2024 of £45,259, but that includes grants for special projects of £19,010.

Day to day running costs (including the Pantomime) of £30,369 were significantly higher than 2024 (£17,941). This partly reflects the Pantomime costs, but includes a substantial increase in maintenance costs, due mainly to urgent work required on our eastern boundary hedge. The field maples within the hedge had grown to more than 15 metres high and were threatening some of the adjoining properties in Elizabeth Gardens, so had to be reduced to a height where they could be properly managed in the future. This was unexpected and expensive work, and the costs will continue into 2026.

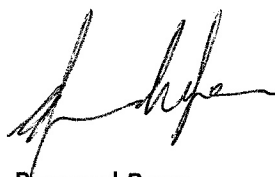
After grant income, expenditure on special projects and the £600 final repayment on a loan taken in 2020 to assist with the installation of our heating control system, our surplus for 2025 was £3,361, compared with a surplus of £9,680 for 2024.

In 2026 we will continue to make further upgrades and improvements throughout the facilities, where funds permit. In the medium term we will need to provide resources to replace the gas boilers.

January 2026



Keith Whiting  
Chair, Northiam Village Hall Trust



Bernard Bone  
Treasurer, Northiam Village Hall Trust

# NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

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## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>		
Lettings	15,496	16,622
Donations	865	531
Fund Raising	12,967	5,361
Miscellaneous	2,535	3,432
Grants re: Special Projects	4,550	19,010
Bank Interest	250	303
	<u>36,663</u>	<u>45,259</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Insurance	1,405	1,418
Repairs, Renewals and Maintenance	9,958	5,770
Cleaning	2,648	2,400
Equipment	3,863	691
Administration	2,143	1,437
Heat and Light	2,940	3,208
Water	526	528
Fund raising expenses	6,155	821
Expenditure on special projects	2,933	17,638
Loan repayment	600	600
Miscellaneous	130	1,069
	<u>33,302</u>	<u>35,579</u>
<b>SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>	3,361	9,680
Cash funds brought forward 1.1.25	28,916	19,236
Cash funds carried forward 31.12.25	<u>32,277</u>	<u>28,916</u>

# NORTHIAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

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## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash at bank	32,117	28,756
Cash in hand	160	160
	<u>32,277</u>	<u>28,916</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Deposit for hall hire	200	200
Loan from Don Hanson Charitable Foundation	0	600
	<u>200</u>	<u>800</u>

The Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities were approved by the Trustees.

Name K Whiting  
K Whiting

Date 21/01/2026

## NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

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### BREAKDOWN OF FUNDRAISING INCOME 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Jumble Sales	1,430	1,221
Farmers Market breakfasts	836	1,214
Coffee Mornings/Other	2,417	1,542
Cinema	1,575	1,244
Pantomime	6,709	-
Special Projects: defibrillator	-	140
	<u>12,967</u>	<u>5,361</u>

### BREAKDOWN OF GRANTS RE: SPECIAL PROJECTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
National Lottery Community Fund: Downlighters	1,800	-
National Lottery Community Fund: Stage lighting	2,750	-
Rother District Council: Cavity Wall Insulation	-	3,010
National Lottery Community Fund: Solar Panels	-	16,000
	<u>4,550</u>	<u>19,010</u>

### BREAKDOWN OF EXPENDITURE: SPECIAL PROJECTS

	2025	2024
Replacement Stage lighting	1,299	-
Main Hall Downlighters	1,634	-
Solar Panels	-	16,635
Defibrillator	-	668
Central Heating: Clean & Refresh	-	335
	<u>2,933</u>	<u>17,638</u>

**Independent Examiner's Report on the Unaudited Financial Statements to the Trustees of Northiam Village Hall Trust**  
**Charity No: 269218**

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025 set out on the following pages.

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act),
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act), and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was conducted in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

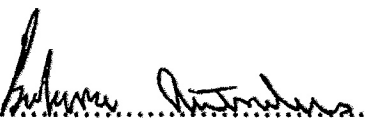
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(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:

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For the financial year ended 31 Dec 2024 our income from hiring the halls was £16,622, broadly comparable with £16,695 in 2023, although some way short of our pre-pandemic income in 2019 of £19,914. Other regular income of £3,735 and fund-raising income of £5,892 gave us total "trading" income of £26,249 (£23,649 in 2023). Day to day running costs of £17,941 were an increase over 2023 (£17,362), reflecting higher energy and cleaning costs. After grant income and expenditure on special projects, our overall "trading surplus" for 2024 was £9,680, compared with a deficit of £597 for 2023. The 2023 deficit arose because the £3,009 cost of installing cavity wall insulation occurred in late 2023, whereas the grant monies that funded that project were not received until 2024.

Improvements to the hall and the facilities it provides are funded through a combination of our trading surplus, along with the cash resources built up over previous years. To enhance these funds, where appropriate, we seek grant assistance from third parties.

Using all these sources, we have continued our programme of steady improvement to the hall facilities. During 2024 the following projects have been undertaken, at a cost of £17,638:

A. With financial assistance from third parties:

- We have installed solar panels with a battery storage system. The work also involved replacing the kitchen back door to improve access to the electrical control cupboard. This project was funded in its entirety by the National Lottery Community Fund. The new system is already helping to defray the increases in our electricity costs.
- Purchase of a defibrillator for use within the hall. This was funded in part by some generous private donations.

B. Funded solely from village hall resources:

- To make our WiFi provision more reliable, we have changed from a cellular connection to full fibre, and allied this with a mesh distribution system around the buildings. This gives a more robust system with much better bandwidth for hall users to enjoy.
- Improving the ground through the gate into the paddock area. This was necessary after an emergency vehicle became bogged down in the previously soft ground.
- A thorough flush of the central heating system, and replacement of life-expired radiator valves have helped to make the heating more efficient, and this in turn has kept our gas costs down when set against rising prices.
- External repainting.

2025 will see further upgrades and improvements throughout the facilities. In the medium term we will need to provide resources to replace the gas boilers, and we are reviewing the kitchen equipment with a view to replacement where necessary.

January 2025



Keith Whiting  
Chair, Northiam Village Hall Trust



Bernard Bone  
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	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>		
Lettings	16,622	16,695
Donations	531	40
Fund Raising	5,361	4,285
Miscellaneous	3,432	2,443
Grants re: Special Projects	19,010	16,125
Bank Interest	303	186
Maintenance Petty Cash not longer required	0	100
	<u>45,259</u>	<u>39,874</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Insurance	1,418	1,242
Repairs, Renewals and Maintenance	5,770	3,727
Cleaning	2,400	2,220
Equipment	691	3,588
Administration	1,437	1,181
Rates	0	57
Heat and Light	3,208	2,909
Water	528	418
Fund raising expenses	821	942
Expenditure on special projects	17,638	23,109
Loan repayment	600	600
Miscellaneous	1,069	479
	<u>35,579</u>	<u>40,471</u>
<b>SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>	9,680	(597)
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Cash in hand	160	160
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Deposit for hall hire	200	0
Loan from Don Hanson Charitable Foundation	600	1,200
	<u>800</u>	<u>1,200</u>

The Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities were approved by the Trustees.

Name ..... *Keith Whiting* .....  
K Whiting

Date ..... 22nd January 2025 .....

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### BREAKDOWN OF FUNDRAISING INCOME 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Jumble Sales	1,221	1,411
Farmers Market breakfasts	1,214	0
Boot Sale	0	353
Coffee Mornings/Other	2,073	1,984
Cinema	1,244	505
Special Projects: defibrillator	140	
Amazon Smile	0	32
	<u>5,892</u>	<u>4,285</u>

### BREAKDOWN OF GRANTS RE: SPECIAL PROJECTS

	2,024	2,023
	£	£
Rother District Council: Cavity Wall Insulation	3,010	0
National Lottery Community Fund: Solar Panels	16,000	0
Committee Room reinstatement	0	10,356
Acoustics Installation	0	3,000
Coronation party	0	1,769
Shell Community Kindness Programme	0	1,000
	<u>19,010</u>	<u>16,125</u>

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	2,024	2,023
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Solar Panels	16,635	0
Defibrillator	668	0
Central Heating: Clean & Refresh	335	0
Heating & access system control	0	1,741
Paddock Room reinstatement	0	7,888
Coronation Party	0	1,530
Local Election hustings	0	281
Acoustics	0	6,360
Cavity Wall insulation	0	3,009
CCTV enhancement	0	1,400
White lining: car park	0	900
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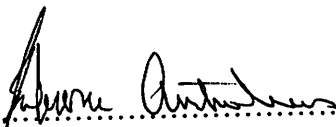
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For the financial year ended 31 Dec 2023 our income from hiring the halls was £16,695, up from £15,312 in 2022, although still short of our pre-pandemic income in 2019 of £19,914. Other regular income of £2,629 and fund-raising income of £4,325 gave us total "trading" income of £23,649, (£22,230 in 2022). Day to day running costs of £13,174 were an increase over 2022 (£11,844), mostly reflecting higher energy, cleaning and maintenance costs. Our overall "trading surplus" for 2023 was £10,475, very similar to the £10,386 in 2022.

Improvements to the hall and the facilities it provides are funded through a combination of our trading surplus, along with the cash resources built up over previous years. To enhance these funds, where appropriate, we seek grant assistance from third parties.

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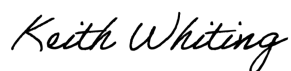
- We have completed the refurbishment of the back-stage committee room. This major project was started in 2022, and involved creation of a new external entrance and accessibility ramp, reinstating a toilet facility, upgrading the electrics and heating, replacing the flooring and providing new table and chairs. This space – now renamed the Paddock Room - is back in use as a meeting room, and is also used for consultations and health treatments. The project was funded by Rother District Council and the National Lottery Community Fund, with assistance from Northiam Parish Council.
- The main hall acoustics had been long recognised as poor, with particular criticism following a concert in February and cinema event in May. After taking expert advice we arranged for ceiling-hung acoustic panels to be installed, and the improvement in sound quality has been significant. The Chalk Cliff Trust provided 50% of the cost.
- Following an energy efficiency survey commissioned by Rother District Council as part of a nationwide programme funded by the UK Government, we had cavity wall insulation installed. The survey estimated that this should cut our energy usage by up to 20%, and should help to defray some of the cost increase we will face when our present fixed-price gas contract finishes in January 2025. The installation costs will be met by the Government programme via Rother DC.
- The village hall trust provided the resources, organised and underwrote the costs of the village Coronation party held in May. After the event the costs were covered by Rother District Council, NISA, and Northiam Parish Council.

B. Funded solely from village hall resources:

- CCTV. To improve the security of the buildings, but also including the village library and the car park, we have upgraded the CCTV cameras to give full coverage over the whole site.
- WiFi. Hall users have commented that the WiFi is not reliable. We are part way through an improvement scheme that is intended to make it more robust.
- To make more efficient use of the car park we have “white lined” the whole area. We are delighted to see that, for the most part, users are parking within the newly designated bays.
- Permanent installation of a digital projector, now ceiling mounted.
- Replacement of time-expired gate and chestnut railing fence in the paddock area.
- Election Hustings, held in April in preparation for the May elections to Northiam Parish Council.

2024 will see further upgrades and improvements throughout the facility. The exterior of the building will need redecorating, and in the medium term we will need to provide resources to replace the gas boilers.

January 2024



Keith Whiting  
Chair, Northiam Village Hall Trust



Bernard Bone  
Treasurer, Northiam Village Hall Trust

# NORTHIAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity No: 269218

## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>		
Lettings	16,695	15,312
Donations	40	650
Fund Raising	4,285	3,674
Fund Raising - Special Projects	-	-
Miscellaneous	2,443	2,565
Grants re: Special Projects	16,125	10,000
Government Grants	-	2,667
Bank Interest	186	30
Maintenance Petty Cash not longer required	100	-
	<u>39,874</u>	<u>34,897</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Insurance	1,242	1,146
Repairs, Renewals and Maintenance	3,727	3,036
Cleaning	2,220	1,931
Equipment	3,588	407
Administration	1,181	1,100
Rates	57	-
Heat and Light	2,909	2,212
Water	418	832
Fund raising expenses	942	818
Expenditure on special projects	23,109	20,466
Loan repayment	600	600
Miscellaneous	479	770
	<u>40,471</u>	<u>33,317</u>
<b>(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>	(597)	1,580
Cash funds brought forward 1.1.23	19,833	18,253
Cash funds carried forward 31.12.23	<u>19,236</u>	<u>19,833</u>

# NORTHIAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity No: 269218

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash at bank	19,076	19,773
Cash in hand	160	60
	<u>19,236</u>	<u>19,833</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Loan from Don Hanson Charitable Foundation	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,800</u>

The Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities were approved by the Trustees.

Name *Keith Whiting*.....

Date 23rd January 2024.....

## NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity No: 269218

### BREAKDOWN OF FUNDRAISING INCOME 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Jumble Sales	1,411	1,582
Boot Sale	353	467
Coffee Mornings/Other	1,984	842
Cinema	505	750
Amazon Smile	32	33
	<u>4,285</u>	<u>3,674</u>

### BREAKDOWN OF GRANTS RE: SPECIAL PROJECTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Committee Room reinstatement	10,356	-
Acoustics Installation	3,000	-
Coronation party	1,769	-
Shell Community Kindness Programme	1,000	-
	<u>16,125</u>	<u>-</u>

### BREAKDOWN OF EXPENDITURE: SPECIAL PROJECTS

	2023	2022
Heating & access system control	1,741	1,398
Paddock Room reinstatement	7,888	-
Coronation Party	1,530	-
Local Election hustings	281	-
Acoustics	6,360	-
Cavity Wall insulation	3,009	-
CCTV enhancement	1,400	-
White lining: car park	900	-
Reinstatement of sound system	-	828
Shed replacement	-	1,158
Jenkins Room floor replacement	-	2,019
Committee Room reinstatement	-	12,708
Rear path reinstatement	-	1,637
Replacement of chestnut fencing	-	718
	<u>23,109</u>	<u>20,466</u>

**Independent Examiner's Report on the Unaudited Financial Statements to the Trustees of Northiam Village Hall Trust**  
Charity No: 269218

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 set out on the following pages.

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

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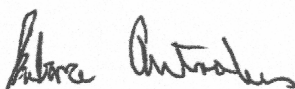
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**NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

**Charity No 269218**

**ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

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# **NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

## **Contents of the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022**

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# **NORTHIAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

Frewen Close, Main Street, Northiam, East Sussex, TN31 6RA

Registered Charity Number 269218

## **Report of the Trustees for the financial year ended 31 December 2022**

The land on which Northiam village hall now stands was purchased by the community in 1971 from two local landowners/farmers. A Trust was established at that time to hold the land, to arrange for the hall to be built, and then to manage the site for the benefit of the village. Construction of buildings started in 1975, following the disposal of parcels of land on which were built the six Frewen Close bungalows which provided the financial wherewithal to construct the hall. Over the following 25 years the hall building was extended to provide additional meeting rooms and storage space, and the whole facility is now believed to be one of the largest village halls in East Sussex.

The buildings and surrounding land are now held in trust by the Charity Commission's Official Custodian, on behalf of the local community. A management committee (Northiam Village Hall Trust) has responsibility for the day-to-day running of the hall, governed by the Trust Deed established in 1971, which set the original goal of providing a village hall for use by the community, with the ongoing objective of improving the conditions of life for Northiam residents. The Trust is a registered charity, regulated by the Charities Commission, and answerable to the local community each year at an Annual General Meeting. Trustees are appointed each year at the AGM, either elected by the community or nominated by local groups that use the hall.

As of 31 December 2022 the Trust comprised 12 Trustees:

Keith Whiting (Chair); Christine Palmer (Secretary); Sylvia Wickens (Bookings Secretary); Bernie Bone (Treasurer); Margaret Davies; John Fenton; Sarah Giles; John Palmer; Richard and Sandra Robinson; Pete Sargent, and Sue Schlesinger.

The Trust generates its income from rentals paid by hall users, supplemented by donations and fund-raising activities. Running costs absorb most of the income but, where there is a surplus, this is used to contribute towards hall improvements. Where appropriate, grants from other bodies are accessed by the Trust, but all monies raised, whatever the source, are used in maintaining or improving the village hall.

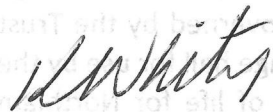
The Covid-19 pandemic significantly affected the Trust's finances for the years 2020 and 2021 with the lockdowns and other restrictions meaning that many of our regular social groups and other users were unable to use the hall buildings in the normal way. During those two years very limited use was made of the hall, leading to severely reduced income for the Trust. 2022 has seen a return to more normal levels, comparable to pre-pandemic levels, albeit a cautious return for the first few months of 2022.

For the financial year ended 31 Dec 2022 our rental income was £15,312, which compares very favourably with 2021 (£6,370), but still short of our pre-pandemic income in 2019 of £19,914. Day to day running costs of £12,851 were below 2021 costs of £15,753, although the latter included some of that year's building improvement costs. As with 2021, our costs were substantially lower than 2019 (£16,953).

The surplus in 2022, which includes grants of £12,667 and income from a number of fund raising activities, provided the resources to enable us to continue our programme of major improvements to the hall facilities, which we started in 2020. During 2022 we have completely re-laid the paths along the North side of the hall, replaced the paddock fencing and gate, re-laid the floor in the Jenkins Room, and made great strides in bringing back into use the old committee room behind the stage, which for 20 years or so has been used as a storage space. This has been a major undertaking, involving creating a new external door access and accessibility ramp, reinstating a toilet facility, as well as upgrading the electrics and heating to the rear-stage area. The project will be completed in early 2023. It has only been possible with the substantial financial assistance of Rother District Council, The National Lottery Community Fund, and Northiam Parish Council.

We suffered some damage during Storm Eunice in February 2022, which destroyed a storage shed, and caused some damage to our heating control system. We were able to restore the heating control and access system with only a couple of days closure, and the loss of the shed turned into a blessing as it enabled us to rethink the use of land behind the hall.

January 2023



**Keith Whiting**  
Chair, Northiam Village Hall Trust

# NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity No: 269218

## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>		
Lettings	15,312	6,370
Donations	650	1,557
Fund Raising	3,674	1,650
Fund Raising - Special Projects	-	4,416
Miscellaneous	2,565	3,211
Grants re: Special Projects	10,000	-
Government Grants	2,667	17,474
Bank Interest	30	2
	<u>34,897</u>	<u>34,680</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Insurance	1,146	1,100
Repairs, Renewals and Maintenance	3,036	6,548
Cleaning	1,931	896
Equipment	407	1,847
Administration	1,100	1,293
Rates	-	-
Heat and Light	2,212	1,635
Water	832	748
Fund raising expenses	818	843
Expenditure on special projects	20,466	27,090
Loan repayment	600	600
Miscellaneous	770	243
	<u>33,317</u>	<u>42,843</u>
<b>(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>	1,580	(8,163)
Cash funds brought forward 1.1.22	18,253	26,416
Cash funds carried forward 31.12.22	<u>19,833</u>	<u>18,253</u>

# NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity No: 269218

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash at bank	19,773	26,246
Cash in hand	60	160
	<u>19,833</u>	<u>26,406</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Loan from Don Hanson Charitable Foundation	<u>1,800</u>	<u>2,400</u>

The Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities were approved by the Trustees.

Name Keith Whiting

KEITH WHITING, CHAIR, NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Date 14th February 2023

**NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

Registered Charity No: 269218

**BREAKDOWN OF FUNDRAISING INCOME 2022**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Jumble Sales	1,582	717
Boot Sale	467	415
Coffee Mornings/Tea Parties	842	262
Cinema	750	257
Amazon Smile	33	-
	<u>3,674</u>	<u>1,650</u>

**BREAKDOWN OF FUNDRAISING INCOME 2022 (SPECIAL PROJECTS)**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Main hall floor renovation	-	4,416
	<u>-</u>	<u>4,416</u>

**BREAKDOWN OF EXPENDITURE: SPECIAL PROJECTS**

	2022	2021
Reinstatement of sound system	828	-
Heating control	1,398	-
Shed replacement	1,158	-
Jenkins Room floor replacement	2,019	-
Committee Room reinstatement	12,708	-
Rear path reinstatement	1,637	-
Replacement of chestnut fencing	718	-
Total 2021	-	27,090
	<u>20,466</u>	<u>27,090</u>

**Independent Examiner's Report on the Unaudited Financial Statements to the Trustees of Northiam Village Hall Trust**  
**Charity No: 269218**

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 set out on the following pages.

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

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**Independent examiner's statement**

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**NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

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**NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

**Charity No 269218**

**ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

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# NORTHIAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Frewen Close, Main Street, Northiam, East Sussex, TN31 6RA  
Registered Charity Number 269218

## Report of the Trustees for the financial year ended 31 December 2021

Northiam village hall was built in 1975 following the purchase of the land some years earlier by the local community from two local landowners/farmers. The buildings have since been extended to provide meeting rooms as well as a main hall, and it is now believed to be one of the largest village halls in East Sussex.

The buildings and surrounding land are held in trust by the Charity Commission's Official Custodian, on behalf of the local community. A management committee appointed from the community in Northiam has responsibility for running the hall on a day-to-day basis. The management committee is a registered charity (Northiam Village Hall Trust) which is regulated by the Charities Commission, and is answerable to the local community at each Annual General Meeting. Trustees are appointed each year at the AGM, either elected by the community or nominated by local groups that use the hall. The work of the Trustees is governed by a Trust Deed, dating from 1971, which set the original goal of providing a village hall for use by the community, with the ongoing objective of improving the conditions of life for Northiam residents.

As of 31 December 2021 the Trust comprised 11 Trustees:

Keith Whiting (Chair); Pete Sargent (Deputy Chair); Christine Palmer (Secretary); Sylvia Wickens (Bookings Secretary); Bernie Bone (Treasurer); John Fenton; Sarah Giles; John Palmer; Richard and Sandra Robinson, and Sue Schlesinger.

In normal years, the Trust generates its income from rentals paid by hall users, supplemented by donations and fund-raising activities. Running costs absorb most of the income but, where there is a surplus, this is used to contribute towards hall improvements. All monies raised, whatever the source, are used in maintaining or improving the village hall.

As with the whole community, the Covid-19 pandemic has meant that the situation has been far from normal during both 2020 and 2021. The lockdowns and other restrictions during these two years have meant that many of our regular social groups have been unable to meet. Some of our fitness and exercise classes did continue to use the hall outside of the lockdowns, but the overall picture was one of very limited use of the hall, and a significant reduction in our regular income. The gaps in our hirings, however, have given us the opportunity to undertake some major improvements to the buildings, and we have been fortunate to receive financial assistance from a number of sources to fund these improvements.

Our ambitious improvement programme began in 2020 and continued during 2021. The projects completed in 2021 were:

- Replacement main front door and windows, redecorated lobby and renovated toilet areas
- Replacement outside door for the Jenkins room
- Installation and commissioning of an access control system on the main hall front door and Jenkins room door, linked to the hall booking system
- Replacement of the guttering and downpipes around the whole building

- Re-laying the block paving paths from the side fire escapes
- Replacement of the main hall and kitchen windows with double glazed units
- Replacement fire escape doors to main hall North side, committee room and barn
- Complete redecoration of the main hall
- Installation of new blinds to the main hall windows
- Replacement of stage curtains
- Renovation of main hall floor, by sanding and re-sealing the oak strip flooring
- Upgrading of main hall lighting to replace the life-expired fluorescents with dimmable LED lights
- Upgrading of the outside lighting with LED lights, now all movement-detected
- Reorganisation of the storage barn to make more efficient use of the whole area and to provide space for library storage

It will be appreciated that all the above works were costly. Where possible, much of the labour was undertaken by the village hall committee, with specialist contractors used where necessary. All of our contractors are local firms or Northiam residents.

Funding to achieve these jobs came from the following sources:

- National Lottery grant to provide for the refurbishment of the lobby and toilet areas
- Grant from Sussex Community Foundation to fund the main hall floor renovation
- Various Government income-support grants during the Covid-19 restrictions

For the financial year ended 31 Dec 2021 our rental income was £6,370, a similar level to 2020, but a long way short of the income achieved pre-pandemic in 2019 (£19,914). Day to day running costs at £14,953 were increased from 2020 levels (£11,299), but include some of the minor costs of the improvements mentioned above. As with the previous year our costs were substantially lower than 2019 (£16,953). Other income of £3,213, and fund raising and donations of £3,207 helped to close the gap between income and expenditure, and the remaining shortfall of costs over income in 2021 was financed from the healthy cash balance that we carried over from 2020. The total cost of the improvement projects was £27,090, and this was funded by grants of £21,890, supplemented by the surplus in our reserves brought forward from 2020 (£26,416) now reduced to £18,253.

Because of the ongoing pandemic we have not yet been able to welcome back all of our local social groups, but we are very hopeful that we will be able to do so over the first few months of 2022.

January 2022



KEITH WHITING

CHAIR, NORTHIAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

## **NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

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# NORTHIAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity No: 269218

## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>		
Lettings	6,370	6,581
Donations	1,557	1,500
Fund Raising	1,650	323
Fund Raising - Special Projects	4,416	14,150
Miscellaneous	3,213	2,368
Government Grants	17,474	16,334
	<u>34,680</u>	<u>41,256</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Insurance	1,100	1,078
Repairs, Renewals and Maintenance	6,548	3,051
Cleaning	896	835
Equipment	1,847	355
Administration	1,293	2,403
Rates	-	54
Heat and Light	1,635	2,936
Water	748	434
Fund raising expenses	843	65
Expenditure on special projects	27,090	16,721
Loan repayment	600	-
Miscellaneous	243	88
	<u>42,843</u>	<u>28,020</u>
<b>(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(8,163)</b>	<b>13,236</b>
Cash funds brought forward 1.1.21	26,416	13,180
Cash funds carried forward 31.12.21	<u>18,253</u>	<u>26,416</u>

# NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity No: 269218

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash at bank	18,093	26,246
Cash in hand	160	170
	<u>18,253</u>	<u>26,416</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Loan from Don Hanson Charitable Foundation	<u>2,400</u>	<u>3,000</u>

The Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities were approved by the Trustees.

Name

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KEITH WHITING, CHAIR, NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Date

*28th Jan 2022*

## NORTHAM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity No: 269218

### BREAKDOWN OF FUNDRAISING INCOME 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Jumble Sales	717	-
Boot Sales	415	-
Coffee Mornings/Tea Parties	262	323
Cinema	257	-
	<u>1,650</u>	<u>323</u>

### BREAKDOWN OF FUNDRAISING INCOME 2021 (SPECIAL PROJECTS)

	2021	2020
	£	£
Chairs	-	1,600
Jenkins Room refurbishment	-	250
Heating Control System	-	3,300
Lobby & toilet refurbishment	-	8,500
CCTV	-	500
Main hall floor renovation	4,416	-
	<u>4,416</u>	<u>14,150</u>

### BREAKDOWN OF EXPENDITURE: SPECIAL PROJECTS

	2021
Front door replacement	3,287
Heating control	103
Hall lighting and ceiling painting	2,703
Kitchen window and rear exit doors	2,357
Main hall painting	1,351
Hall/toilet window renewal	2,625
Jenkins Room door replacement	3,758
North fire exit door replacement	1,610
Main hall floor renovation	4,416
Main hall curtains and blinds	4,880
	<u>27,090</u>

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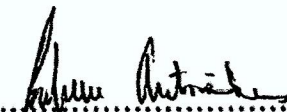
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