



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 To 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Charity name: Syderstone Village Hall

Charity registration number: 271842

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The trust property shall be held upon trust for the purposes of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the area within 2.5 (two and a half) miles from the Church at Syderstone in the county of Norfolk (hereinafter called the area of benefit) without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes, and/or other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.
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	In planning the trusts activities for the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commissions guidance on public benefit by, Providing premises to provide local inhabitants with facilities for activities - these include: Book Club, Indoor Bowls, Arts & Crafts, Local History. Providing activities to improve village life – these include: Coffee morning, cinema, pop up pub and the village archive. Fundraising to support the maintenance of the village hall to allow it to fulfil its obligation under the trust deed – e.g. letting the premises for a village post office.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.10	The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission by complying with the trust deed through providing facilities for the inhabitants of the area of benefit and by the maintenance of the building for their use.

### 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 volunteers	Para 1.38	
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	<p>In the past year we have improved the facilities by converting a little used area into an additional room.</p> <p>This has allowed for the introduction of Tech Skills for Life, supported by the Borough Council.</p> <p>Given Book Club a permanent home.</p> <p>Provided Arts and Crafts with a workshop and tutorial space.</p> <p>Allowed a "community shop" to be established for "cakes and bakes".</p> <p>Enabled the Pop-up Pub to operate more effectively.</p> <p>Given Bowls Group a place for refreshments.</p> <p>And new cabinets allow for the display of Archive materials and other artifacts.</p> <p>User satisfaction is very high and the number of volunteers and users involved with the hall has increased.</p>

### 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

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The balance in Trust's accounts on 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024 was £53,423
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The main risk to the Charity is loss of income from letting the premises and fundraising activities.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Funds of £6000 are held, within the above balance, to meet unforeseen expenditure.
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	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust
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	5 trustees, elected at the Annual General Meeting, by residents living within 2.5 miles of the church; Up to 8 trustees (representatives) from qualifying groups – ie from those groups/organisations, that regularly use the village hall, including 1 from Syderstone Parish Council and 1 from Syderstone St Marys Church; Up to 3 others co-opted by the 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	Syderstone Village Hall
Other name the charity uses	Known locally as Amy Robsart Hall
Registered charity number	271842
Charity's principal address	The Street Syderstone Kings Lynn Norfolk PE31 8SD

# 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	N Riches	Chair	Until 31.12.2023	By election at AGM by residents living within 2.5 miles
2	W Little	Secretary		"
3	N C Little	Treasurer & Chair	w.e.f. 01.01. 2024	"
4	S Riches			"
5	G Taylor	Vice Chair		"
6	M Bateman			Syderstone Parish Council
7	P Offord		Until 31.12.2024	Parish Church Council
8	T Chaloner			Bowls Group
9	M Niemann		w.e.f. 22.06.2023	Local History Group
10	L Pearse		Until 31.12.2023	Arts & Crafts Group
11	A Taylor			Co-opted by Trustees
12	G Garford		w.e.f. 05.08.2023	Co-opted by Trustees
13	C Appleby		From 01.01.2024	Arts & Crafts Group
14	F Woods		w.e.f. 11.01.2024	Book Club
15	J Carr		w.e.f. 11.01.2024	Co-opted by Trustees
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## Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

## Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
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
		N/A

#### 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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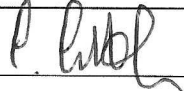

## Other optional information

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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)		
Full name(s)	Nevill Christopher Little	Gerry Taylor
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Vice-Chair

Date 30th Dec. 2024

**Amy Robsart (Syderstone) Village Hall (Registered Charity No. 271842)**  
**Income and Expenditure for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

INCOME		
<b>Bank Accounts at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023</b>	£	£
Nat West Reserve Account	10112.65	
Nat West Current Account	38210.62	
Cash	301.40	
<b>TOTAL in Accounts</b>		<b>(A)48624.67</b>
<b>7 Regular Income from hiring the hall</b>		
Wells Post Office	1551.00	
Indoor Bowls	720.00	
Arts and Crafts	700.00	
Book Club	186.00	
Local History	184.00	
Parish Council		
<b>Sub-TOTAL</b>		<b>3341.00</b>
<b>8 Income from General Hiring</b>		
<b>Sub-TOTAL</b>	592.00	<b>592.00</b>
<b>Income from fundraising activities:</b>		
<b>10 Coffee Morning</b>	Sales of Coffee/raffle	2759.98
<b>2 Cinema</b>	Ticket sales	1455.00
	Raffle/ices/drinks/other	805.01
<b>9 Money Club</b>	Sale of lottery numbers	1200.00
<b>6 Heritage Fund</b>	Old Syderstonians etc.	183.00
<b>Sub-TOTAL</b>		<b>6402.99</b>
<b>Other Income</b>		
<b>1 Grant Funding – restricted funds</b>	7686.00	
<b>1 Donations /sale of assets</b>	844.03	
Interest on NW Reserve Account	135.89	
<b>3 EDF refund/ Feed In Tariff /RHI payment</b>	1923.65	
<b>5 Miscellaneous -Events</b>	4905.01	
<b>Sub-TOTAL</b>		<b>15494.58</b>
<b>Total income 01.04.23 – 31.03.24</b>		<b>(B)25830.57</b>
<b>Total: 01.04.23 – 31.03.24</b>	<b>(A+B)</b>	<b>74455.24</b>

EXPENDITURE		
<b>3 Utilities</b>	£	£
Electricity – heating and lighting	1714.00	
Water	117.48	
Broadband	487.63	
<b>Sub-TOTAL</b>		<b>2319.11</b>
<b>4 Repair and Maintenance</b>		
Cleaning and supplies	833.50	
Service/Electrical/Safety/fire inspection	589.99	
Other	60.48	
<b>Sub-TOTAL</b>		<b>1483.97</b>
<b>5 Miscellaneous</b>		
Hall Insurance/licences	928.90	
Admin/other	690.51	
Events	3382.26	
<b>Sub-TOTAL</b>		<b>5001.67</b>
<b>1 Improvements :</b>		
Grant Work -23/24	8182.00	
Grant Work 22/23 plus additional work	1690.00	
<b>Sub-TOTAL</b>		<b>9872.00</b>
<b>Expenditure incurred by fundraising activities:</b>		
<b>10 Coffee Morning</b>	purchase Coffee/Tea/raffle	238.26
	other	55.00
<b>2 Cinema</b>	DVD/ hire/purchase	1093.63
	Raffle prize/ices/drinks/other	267.27
<b>9 Money Club</b>	Lottery Prizes	600.00
	Admin/other costs	47.90
<b>6 Heritage Fund</b>	Raffle prizes/stamps/etc	53.80
<b>Sub-TOTAL</b>		<b>2355.86</b>
<b>Total Expenditure 01.04.23 – 31.03.24</b>		<b>(B)21032.61</b>
<b>Accounts at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b>		
Nat West Reserve Account	10248.54	
Nat West Current Account	42829.53	
Cash	344.56	
<b>TOTAL in Accounts</b>		<b>(A)53422.63</b>
<b>Total: 01.04.23– 31.03.24</b>	<b>(B+A)</b>	<b>74455.24</b>



**Independent examiners report to the trustees of Syderstone Village Hall (known locally as Amy Robsart Hall) - Charity No. 271842**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Syderstone Village Hall Trust (The Trust) for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

**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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

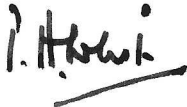
I have completed my examination.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act;  
or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed:



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Date: 18<sup>th</sup> November 2024