



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 To 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

**Charity name: Syderstone Village Hall (Known locally as Amy Robsart 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	<p>In planning the trusts activities for the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commissions guidance on public benefit by:</p> <p>Providing premises to provide local inhabitants with facilities for activities - these include: Book Club, Indoor Bowls, Arts &amp; Crafts and Local History.</p> <p>Providing activities to improve village life – these include: Coffee morning, cinema, pop up pub and the village archive.</p> <p>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.</p>
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 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	Volunteers make a key contribution to the work of the Amy Robsart village hall. Throughout the year numerous volunteers from the community have helped to maintain the building and supported the various activities undertaken in the village hall.
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>1. The charity has continued to provide a range of activities to the community during this period.</p> <p>This has included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A weekly Coffee Club, providing an opportunity for members of the village and visitors to meet and socialise,</li> <li>• A weekly Arts and Crafts Group,</li> <li>• A weekly Carpet Bowls club</li> <li>• A monthly Local History Group and</li> <li>• A monthly local cinema</li> </ul> <p>These events have been popular through the year.</p> <p>2. This year these regular events have been joined by a weekly Seated Exercise class focused at less mobile residents, and by a series of Pilates classes.</p> <p>3. The Amy Robsart Village Hall has also enjoyed increasing success with a series of "Pop</p>

		Up Pub” nights. These have proved to be particularly popular with local residents and those from neighbouring villages. These are very valued in a village without a local pub.
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### **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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Between January and March 2025 a significant number of the Management Committee resigned. In March 2025 the remaining members of the committee announced that they would also resign as from the 1<sup>st</sup> May, and requested those interested in replacing them to be in post on the same day.</li> <li>2. This Report has been compiled by this new Management Committee, following the resignation of the previous Committee in May 2025</li> <li>3. It is based on the information provided by the previous committee.</li> </ol>

## **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 2025 was £56,237.
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
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### 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 ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	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 a total of 8 trustees (representatives) from qualifying groups , i.e. 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	-
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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 (Known locally as Amy Robsart Village Hall)
Other name the charity uses	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)
<b>A. Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity (1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025)</b>				
1	N C Little	Treasurer & Chair	All year	By election at AGM by residents living within 2.5 miles
2	G Taylor	Vice Chair	All year	“
3	M Bateman		Resigned Dec 2024	“
4	A Taylor		All year	“
5	G Garford		Resigned March 2025	“
6	T Chaloner		All year	Bowls Group
7	M Niemann		Resigned Feb 2025	Local History Group
8	C Appleby		Resigned March 2025	Arts & Crafts Group
9	F Woods		Resigned March 2025	Book Club
10	J Carr		Resigned 3.1.25	Co-opted by Trustees
11	S. Wood		Wef 30.5.24 to 13.2.25	Parish Council Representative
12	K. Sharman		Wef 13.11.24 to 13.2.25	Coopted
13	R. Brown		From Jan 2025 to Feb 2025	Coopted
14	J. Hennessy		Wef 13.11.24 to March 2025	Coopted
<b>B. Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity (As at 25 January 2026)</b>				
1	Stephen George Kidd	Chair	1 May 2025	By election at AGM by residents living within 2.5 miles
2	Martin Niemann	Treasurer	30 April 2025	“
3	Rachel Louise Brown	Secretary	30 April 2025	“
4	Michael John Parker	Vice-Chair	30 April 2025	“
5	Martin Joseph Peter Bateman		30 April 2025	“
6	Julie Parker		05 June 2025	Syderstone Local History Group Rep.
7	SHEILA ROSEMARY RICHES		05 June 2025	Syderstone village archives rep.
8	Terry Brownbill		18 June 2025	Secondee
9	Iain Macrae Urquhart		16 July 2025	Secondee
10	NORMAN RICHARD RICHES		16 July 2025	Secondee
11	ANDREW DOUGLAS KNIGHT		26 November 2025	Syderstone Parish Council rep.

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)

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Full name(s)

Stephen George Kidd	Michael John Parker
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Position (eg  
Secretary, Chair,  
etc)

Chair	Vice-Chair
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Date

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**Amy Robsart (Syderstone) Village Hall (Registered Charity No. 271842)****Income and Expenditure for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31st March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Year to 31/03/25 £	Year to 31/03/24 £
<b>Income</b>					
Income from regular hire	1	4,328	-	4,328	3,873
Income from general hire		1,673	-	1,673	592
Income from fundraising activities	2	14,440	-	14,440	11,308
Investments - Bank Interest		282	-	282	136
Grant funding		-	7,075	7,075	7,686
Feed in tarriff / EDF refund		1,278	-	1,278	1,924
Other income		241	407	648	844
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>22,241</b>	<b>7,483</b>	<b>29,724</b>	<b>26,363</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
<b>Utilities</b>					
Electricity		2,469	-	2,469	1,823
Water		158	-	158	117
Broadband		505	-	505	488
<b>Repairs and Maintenance</b>					
Cleaning and supplies		833	-	833	834
Service, electrical, safety, fire		1,563	-	1,563	590
Other		120	-	120	60
<b>Miscellaneous</b>					
Hall insurance, licences		1,191	-	1,191	929
Depreciation		266	-	266	-
Admin, other		1,477	407	1,884	691
<b>Improvements</b>					
Grant work - 23/24		-	658	658	9,872
Grant work - 24/25		-	-	-	-
Architect fees		3,289	-	3,289	-
Energy survey		300	-	300	-
<b>Expenditure on fundraising</b>	2	7,363	-	7,363	5,444
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>19,534</b>	<b>1,065</b>	<b>20,599</b>	<b>20,847</b>
<b>Net Income for the year</b>		<b>2,707</b>	<b>6,417</b>	<b>9,124</b>	<b>5,515</b>
<b>FUNDS TRANSFERS</b>		1,922	(1,922)	-	-
<b>FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD</b>		52,282	658	52,940	47,425
<b>FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>		56,911	5,153	62,064	52,940

# Amy Robsart (Syderstone) Village Hall (Registered Charity No. 271842)

## Balance Sheet at 31st March 2025

	Note	Year to 31/03/25		Year to 31/03/24	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	3		3,193		-
<b>Current assets</b>					
<i>Stocks</i>			-		294
<i>Deposit for heaters</i>			5,053		-
<i>Debtor - Wells Post Office</i>			132		132
<i>Parish Council accrued hire</i>			-		400
<i>Cash at bank and in hand</i>					
NatWest Reserve Account		30,531		10,249	
NatWest Current Account		25,047		42,830	
Cash		597		345	
			56,175		53,423
			<b>61,360</b>		<b>54,249</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Money Club in advance			1,200		1,200
EDF creditor			1,288		109
			<b>2,488</b>		<b>1,309</b>
<b>Net current assets</b>			<b>58,871</b>		<b>52,940</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<b>62,064</b>		<b>52,940</b>
Represented by:					
Unrestricted fund			56,911		52,282
Restricted fund			5,153		658
<b>Total Funds</b>			<b>62,064</b>		<b>52,940</b>

# Amy Robsart (Syderstone) Village Hall (Registered Charity No. 271842)

## Notes to the Accounts for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31st March 2025

### NOTE 1: Income from regular hire

	Year to 31/03/25	Year to 31/03/24
	£	£
Wells Post Office	1,023	1,683
Indoor Bowls	1,000	720
Arts and Craft	1,125	700
Book Club	180	186
Local History	250	184
Pilates	420	-
Parish Council	330	400
	<u>4,328</u>	<u>3,873</u>

### NOTE 2: Fundraising activities

	Year to 31/03/25			Year to 31/03/24		
	Income	Expenses	Profit/ (Loss)	Income	Expenses	Profit/ (Loss)
	£	£		£	£	
<b><i>Pop up pub</i></b>						
Sales of food and drink	7,493			4,905		
Purchases of food and drink		4,013			3,088	
Other		339			-	
			3,141			1,817
<b><i>Coffee Morning</i></b>						
Sales of coffee/raffle	3,829			2,760		
Purchase of coffee/raffle		1,194			238	
Other		-			55	
			2,635			2,467
<b><i>Cinema</i></b>						
Ticket sales	1,261			1,455		
Raffle/ices/drinks etc	465			805		
DVD/hire/purchase		951			1,094	
Raffle prizes/ices/drinks etc		214			267	
			562			899
<b><i>Money Club</i></b>						
Sale of lottery numbers	1,200			1,200		
Lottery prizes		600			600	
Other		53			48	
			547			552
<b><i>Heritage Fund</i></b>						
Old Syderstonians etc	191			183		
Raffle prizes/stamps/etc		-	191		54	129
	<u>14,440</u>	<u>7,363</u>	<u>7,077</u>	<u>11,308</u>	<u>5,444</u>	<u>5,864</u>

### NOTE 3: Fixed assets

	Board	Heaters	Laptop	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 April 2024	-	-	-	-
Additions	<u>1,079</u>	<u>1,922</u>	<u>457</u>	<u>3,459</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,079</u>	<u>1,922</u>	<u>457</u>	<u>3,459</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 April 2024	-	-	-	-
Charge for the year	<u>36</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>266</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>36</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>266</u>
<b>Net Book Value</b>				
At 31 March 2025	<u>£ 1,043</u>	<u>£ 1,794</u>	<u>£ 356</u>	<u>£ 3,193</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

# Amy Robsart Village Hall (Registered Charity No. 271842)

## Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31st March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Income</b>					
Income from regular hire	1	4,547	-	4,547	3,873
Income from general hire		1,553	-	1,553	592
Income from fundraising activities	2	14,440	-	14,440	11,308
Investments - Bank Interest		344	-	344	136
Grant funding		-	7,075	7,075	7,686
Feed in tariff / EDF refund		1,278	-	1,278	1,924
Other income		241	407	648	844
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>22,402</b>	<b>7,483</b>	<b>29,884</b>	<b>26,363</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
<i>Utilities</i>					
Electricity		2,469	-	2,469	1,823
Water		158	-	158	117
Broadband		505	-	505	488
<i>Repairs and Maintenance</i>					
Cleaning and supplies		833	-	833	834
Service, electrical, safety, fire		1,563	-	1,563	590
Other		120	-	120	60
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Hall insurance, licences		1,191	-	1,191	929
Depreciation		266	-	266	-
Admin, other		1,477	407	1,884	691
<i>Improvements</i>					
Grant work - 23/24		-	658	658	9,872
Grant work - 24/25		-	-	-	-
Architect fees		3,289	-	3,289	-
Energy survey		300	-	300	-
<b>Expenditure on fundraising</b>	2	<b>7,363</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,363</b>	<b>5,444</b>
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>19,534</b>	<b>1,065</b>	<b>20,599</b>	<b>20,847</b>
<b>Net Income for the year</b>		<b>2,868</b>	<b>6,417</b>	<b>9,285</b>	<b>5,515</b>
<b>FUNDS TRANSFERS</b>		<b>1,922</b>	<b>(1,922)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD</b>		<b>52,282</b>	<b>658</b>	<b>52,940</b>	<b>47,425</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>57,072</b>	<b>5,153</b>	<b>62,225</b>	<b>52,940</b>

# Amy Robsart Village Hall (Registered Charity No. 271842)

## Balance Sheet at 31st March 2025

	Note	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	3		3,193		-
<b>Current assets</b>					
<i>Stocks</i>			-		294
<i>Deposit for heaters</i>			5,053		-
<i>Debtor - Wells Post Office</i>			231		132
<i>Parish Council accrued hire</i>			-		400
<i>Cash at bank and in hand</i>					
NatWest Reserve Account		30,592		10,249	
NatWest Current Account		25,047		42,830	
Cash		<u>597</u>		<u>345</u>	
			56,237		53,423
			<u><b>61,521</b></u>		<u><b>54,249</b></u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Money Club in advance			1,200		1,200
EDF creditor			<u>1,288</u>		<u>109</u>
			<u><b>2,488</b></u>		<u><b>1,309</b></u>
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u><b>59,032</b></u>		<u><b>52,940</b></u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u><u><b>62,225</b></u></u>		<u><u><b>52,940</b></u></u>
Represented by:					
Unrestricted fund			57,072		52,282
Restricted fund			<u>5,153</u>		<u>658</u>
<b>Total Funds</b>			<u><u><b>62,225</b></u></u>		<u><u><b>52,940</b></u></u>

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025

NOTE 1: Income from regular hire

	2025	2024
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Wells Post Office	1,122	1,683
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Arts and Craft	1,125	700
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Pilates	540	-
Parish Council	330	400
	<u>4,547</u>	<u>3,873</u>

NOTE 2: Fundraising activities

	2025			2024		
	Income	Expenses	Profit/ (Loss)	Income	Expenses	Profit/ (Loss)
	£	£		£	£	
<b>Pop up pub</b>						
Sales of food and drink	7,493			4,905		
Purchases of food and drink		4,013			3,088	
Other		339			-	
			3,141			1,817
<b>Coffee Morning</b>						
Sales of coffee/raffle	3,829			2,760		
Purchase of coffee/raffle		1,194			238	
Other		-			55	
			2,635			2,467
<b>Cinema</b>						
Ticket sales	1,261			1,455		
Raffle/ices/drinks etc	465			805		
DVD/hire/purchase		951			1,094	
Raffle prizes/ices/drinks etc		214			267	
			562			899
<b>Money Club</b>						
Sale of lottery numbers	1,200			1,200		
Lottery prizes		600			600	
Other		53			48	
			547			552
<b>Heritage Fund</b>						
Old Syderstonians etc	191			183		
Raffle prizes/stamps/etc		-	191		54	129
	<u>14,440</u>	<u>7,363</u>	<u>7,077</u>	<u>11,308</u>	<u>5,444</u>	<u>5,864</u>

NOTE 3: Fixed assets

	Board	Heaters	Laptop	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2024	-	-	-	-
Additions	<u>1,079</u>	<u>1,922</u>	<u>457</u>	<u>3,459</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,079</u>	<u>1,922</u>	<u>457</u>	<u>3,459</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 April 2024	-	-	-	-
Charge for the year	<u>36</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>266</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>36</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>266</u>
<b>Net Book Value</b>				
At 31 March 2025	<u>£ 1,043</u>	<u>£ 1,794</u>	<u>£ 356</u>	<u>£ 3,193</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
SYDERSTONE VILLAGE HALL (KNOWN LOCALLY AS AMY ROBSART  
HALL) – CHARITY NO. 2781842**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Syderstone Village Hall Trust (The Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the 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 which give 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; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Signed: Deborah J Candy.....

Date: 09/01/2026

Name:

Debs Candy MA, BA(Hon)

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