

THE MOTCOMBE MEMORIAL HALL AND RECREATION GROUND

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Hall's growth trajectory continued in 2024 with £82,051 gross income. Hire income grew by 49% from 2023 due to increased Hall usage, more weddings and an increase in Hall charges- the first in 7 years. Live streaming income increased by 42%, although ticket prices remained the same. Other income came from the Bar at Hall organized events and the Hall's first ever and highly successful Music Festival. Of gross income, 50% came from Hall charges, 28% from Live Streaming, 15% from the Music Festival and 7% from the bar.

Total expenses were £62,190. Expenses for the Music Festival were 80% of its income due to capital costs incurred in the first year of doing this and it being a joint venture with the School PTA. The Festival expense ratio in 2025 should be much lower.

Since the pandemic, we have deliberately avoided any major expenditure in order to build up our reserves which we have successfully done with total funds standing at £126,248 at the end of 2024 (2023: £112,830). However, in a much used Hall, such expenditure cannot be deferred for too long and we anticipate major calls on our funds in 2025 and 2026. Of the £126,248, we have set aside £40,000 to fund any unexpected essential expenditure (eg roof replacement) or to see us through a disruption due to, for example, another pandemic; and £20,000 as working capital. Of the remaining £66,248, we have already spent £23,000 on a new boiler and fire doors and the rest will go towards increasing the car park capacity, revamping the kitchen to comply with Health & Safety rules and replacing our antiquated internal lighting.

We are seeing our day to day costs increasing in 2025. The increased administration and regulatory burden of running a busy Hall has required us to employ an independent contractor as an administrator. Some work that was traditionally done by volunteers is now having to be done by paid contractors both because of there no longer being so many volunteers and increased regulation. We have come out of fixed 3 year energy deal so anticipate 2025 energy costs being c. 50% higher for the year and other costs are also increasing. Adding to expenditure, c £3,950 live streaming expenses, relating to 2024 were paid in 2025.

We therefore face a challenge over the rest of 2025 and 2026. However, we have a well supported Hall in a growing village and hinterland and a dedicated group of volunteers who both manage the day to day running of the Hall well and also put on a wide range of events that bring enjoyment to the community and help raise funds. I am therefore confident that the Hall will continue to prosper.

The Hall is a Charitable Trust run for the benefit of Motcombe people. Community involvement is essential to make it a proper Village Hall rather than just a commercial entertainment complex. We hope more volunteers will come forward to help run the Hall and play a part in its future evolution.

David Scully

June 2025

Motcombe Memorial Hall

Profit and Loss

January - December 2024

	TOTAL
Income	
101 Hire of Hall	
102 Live Streaming Events	
Fundraising	36,815.62
Bar Takings	20,365.60
Total Fundraising	
Music Festival 24	4,970.72
Total Income	4,970.72
	10,721.67
Cost of Sales	£72,873.61
Fundraising Expenses	
Bar Stock Sold	
Disposal of Bar Stock	
Total Bar Stock Sold	927.30
Total Fundraising Expenses	353.47
Live Streaming Expenses	1,280.77
Music Festival	1,280.77
Total Cost of Sales	4,203.80
	8,485.00
GROSS PROFIT	£13,969.57
	£58,904.04
Expenses	
Admin Expenses	
Office/General Administrative Expenses	
Total Admin Expenses	189.60
Advertising/Promotional	189.60
Bank charges	698.40
PayPal Fees	177.59
Total Bank charges	86.78
Building & Carpark Maintenance	264.37
Caretaker, Cleaning and Sanitary Services	14,880.85
Caretaking	872.61
Cleaning	4,860.00
Cleaning Products	47.39
General Maintenance Supplies	174.95
Waste Disposal	717.73
Window Cleaning	166.38
Total Caretaker, Cleaning and Sanitary Services	620.00
Electricity	7,459.06
Field Maintenance	5,437.44
Grass Cutting	22.20
Total Field Maintenance	3,012.00
Gas	3,034.20
Insurances	3,932.79
Legal and professional fees	1,680.50
Accounting	1,897.64
Total Legal and professional fees	561.00
	2,458.64

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Profit and Loss

January - December 2024

	TOTAL
Licences & Subscriptions	
Purchases	2,009.04
Repair and maintenance	149.00
Water Rates	2,952.06
Website Maintenance	1,038.00
WiFi	617.80
Total Expenses	1,274.98
NET OPERATING INCOME	£48,076.73
Other Income	£10,827.31
Donations	
Interest earned	5,035.12
Total Other Income	4,142.67
Other Expenses	£9,177.79
Miscellaneous Expenditure	
Total Other Expenses	143.63
NET OTHER INCOME	£143.63
NET INCOME	£9,034.16
	£19,861.47

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.



Sally Orman
Valuation and Property Inspector
Wiltshire Council
Revenues and Benefits

Motcombe Memorial Hall

Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2024

	TOTAL
Fixed Asset	
Tangible assets	
Clock Hall	
Equipment	206,000.00
Equipment Depreciation	8,976.19
Main Hall	-3,748.53
Total Tangible assets	850,000.00
Total Fixed Asset	£1,061,227.66
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Cash at bank and in hand	
ArtsReach Float	20.00
Cambridge & Counties Savings	
Cash on hand	85,052.49
Fete Float	34.59
HSBC - Community Account	150.00
New Equipment Fund	30,511.58
PayPal	3,548.85
Total Cash at bank and in hand	2,460.92
	£121,778.43
Debtors	
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Total Debtors	3,471.21
	£3,471.21
Current Assets	
Bar Stock	
Movie Night Deposit	848.49
Prepayments	150.00
Total Current Assets	0.00
	£998.49
NET CURRENT ASSETS	£126,248.13
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	
Trade Creditors	
Creditors	
Total Trade Creditors	0.00
	£0.00
Current Liabilities	
Accruals	
Total Current Liabilities	0.00
	£0.00
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	£0.00
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£126,248.13
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	£1,187,475.79
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£1,187,475.79
Capital and Reserves	
Accumulated Funds	
Retained Earnings	1,113,119.68
Profit for the year	54,978.03
Total Capital and Reserves	19,378.08
	£1,187,475.79