

## **Yaxham Village Amenities Association**

### **Report to the Chairty Commission for the year 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

**The Trustees of Yaxham Village Amenities Association administer and maintain Yaxham Village Hall for the benefit of the residents of Yaxham and the wider community who use the facilities available.**

In a repeat of last year's report, 2024 was extremely successful in terms of bookings at the hall. The calendar shows the hall is occupied by various groups throughout the week and there are many children's parties at weekends. The downside of that is that the hall may not be available for last-minute bookings that cannot be made in advance, ie wakes. However, we are sure that it is appreciated that without regular bookings the hall would not be financially viable, nor would there be the broad range of activities available to those in the local area. Our Bookings Secretary does very best she can to accommodate last minute events for people who live, or have lived, in Yaxham.

We have been without a Chair since January 2021. I have covered many aspects of the role of Chair and am happy to continue as Treasurer but struggle dealing with matters that would usually be handled by a Chair and am aware that there are aspects of management that aren't being covered. We are very keen to recruit more trustees to keep the Village Hall available for meetings.

An application was made to Breckland for grant funding to cover the cost of re-sanding the hall floor and renewing supports, flooring and new carpet for the stage. The carpet on the stage was sorely in need of replacement and the stage creaked when walked on, highlighting the need for the supports to be strengthened. A second application was made for an air source heat pump heater for the Community Room. The radiators had not been functioning fully (despite 'experts' having been called in) and the heating had to be boosted with electric fan heaters that are expensive to run. We received notification on Christmas Eve that we had been awarded a grant for the air source heat pump, but not the floor and stage. To comply with the conditions of the grant, the work had to be completed by 1<sup>st</sup> February. We were extremely fortunate that the company who installed the air source system were able to complete the work in time. Work on the stage was completed in January 2025 (outside of the year being reported upon). The sanding of the hall floor will be tackled when funds are available.

In terms of fundraising, the Community Café continues to thrive. We successfully applied for a £500 grant from Breckland for a D Day commemoration event which took place on 6<sup>th</sup> June. This was promoted as a free event and was attended by approximately 60 people. Commemorative gifts were purchased and there was a free raffle.

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## Accounts for the Period 1st January to 31st December 2024

	2024	2023
<b>Balances brought forward from previous year</b>		
Current Account	£2,227.72	£7,322.46
CCLA/COIF Deposit Account	£4,521.99	£6,190.48
Business Premium Account	£0.02	£0.02
	<b>£6,749.73</b>	<b>£13,512.96</b>
<b>Receipts and Payments Account</b>		
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Village lets	£26,396.75	£23,703.10
Miscellaneous	£1,769.58	£11.44
Bottle bank	£0.00	£317.58
Community Café	£624.00	£670.00
Donations (£3,144 from CIC)	£3,144.00	£164.75
Lotto	£64.00	
Grants	£500.00	£11,500.00
Fundraising Events	£760.00	£1,230.00
CCLA Interest	£363.40	£331.51
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>£33,621.73</b>	<b>£37,928.38</b>
<b>Payments</b>		
Phone/broadband	£342.64	£311.12
Council Tax	£219.05	£263.36
Electricity-Hall	£6,165.67	£11,015.65
Electricity-Church Room	£155.80	£171.08
Gas	£518.70	£970.66
Water	£349.06	£350.52
Miscellaneous	£2,218.68	£153.98
Community Room expenses	£0.00	£11,112.00
Caretaker/cleaning	£10,748.80	£11,333.70
Cleaning materials	£1,530.94	£320.45
Bookings admin	£4,588.80	£3,600.00
Website	£105.60	£196.60
Veolia	£545.36	£547.83
Maintenance and Repairs	£704.95	£2,678.11
Licences and subs	£180.00	£727.92
Insurance	£1,272.33	£896.70
Bank Charges	£71.40	£41.93
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>£29,717.78</b>	<b>£44,691.61</b>
<b>Net receipts/payments for the period</b>	£3,903.95	-£6,763.23
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<u><u>£10,653.68</u></u>	<u><u>£6,749.73</u></u>
<b>Balances</b>		
Current Account	£1,268.27	£2,227.72
CCLA/COIF Deposit Account	£9,385.39	£4,521.99
Business Premium Account	£0.02	£0.02
	<u><u>£10,653.68</u></u>	<u><u>£6,749.73</u></u>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
Yaxham Village Amenities Association

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 December 2024

Charity no  
(if any) 275133

Set out on pages

Attached

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024

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 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 which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

*Bill Hinks*

Date: 25/02/2025

Name:

William Grosvenor Hinks

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

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**Section B****Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.**

Nothing to disclose