

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 278509

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1979-09-27

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

Contact

Address 149 Roman Road
Mountnessing
Brentwood
Essex
CM15 0UD

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Activities

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

Activities: The letting of a Village hall to organisations/individuals based in Mountnessing & surrounding area for the purpose of Club meetings, village activities, classes, and private parties.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** PARISH OF MOUNTESSING
- Essex

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2024-11-14 | £41,193 | £46,117 | - | - |
| 2023-11-14 | £36,766 | £28,961 | - | - |
| 2022-11-14 | £39,688 | £50,201 | - | - |
| 2021-11-14 | £45,776 | £23,950 | - | - |
| 2020-11-14 | £21,791 | £30,383 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|---------------------------|-------|------------|
| Elizabeth Fajimolu | Chair | 2023-04-03 |
| Alaric David Cundy | | 2018-01-29 |
| Andrew Stephenson | | 2018-01-29 |
| Brian Henry Hurrell | | 2022-07-04 |
| John Robert McCoy | | 2018-01-29 |
| KATE GEORGINA DORRINGTON | | 2023-10-19 |
| SUSAN JOANNA CONLEY | | 2018-01-29 |

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

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Accounts

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2024

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Receipts | | |
| Hall Lettings - Regular Groups | 21,474 | 20,814 |
| Hall Lettings - Functions | 19,045 | 13,246 |
| Prior year Income adjustment | 300 | 0 |
| Bank Interest | 340 | 106 |
| Other Income | 0 | 336 |
| Donations | 34 | 2,264 |
| | <u>41,193</u> | <u>36,766</u> |
| Payments | | |
| Electricity | 6,538 | 2,953 |
| Water & Sewerage | 948 | 907 |
| Waste Removal | 2,408 | 1,534 |
| Repairs & Replacements | 4,508 | 6,376 |
| Kitchen Refurbishment | 12,785 | 0 |
| Garden & Car Park Maintenance | 2,871 | 4,386 |
| Insurance | 1,397 | 1,258 |
| RCCE-Subscription and Professional advice | 121 | 117 |
| Cleaning/Booking Management | 12,245 | 9,788 |
| Bookeeping & Accounting | 300 | 0 |
| Consumable Materials | 730 | 593 |
| Rates | 125 | 118 |
| Website and Broadband | 1,045 | 624 |
| Miscellaneous | 96 | 307 |
| | <u>46,117</u> | <u>28,961</u> |
| Net (Payments) / Receipts | <u>46,117</u> | <u>28,961</u> |
| Net Surplus/(Deficit) | <u>-4,924</u> | <u>7,805</u> |

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 14th NOVEMBER 2024

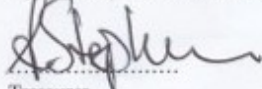
| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash at Bank - Invoice Account | 1,063 | 2,693 |
| Cash at Bank - Lettings Account | 2,066 | 1,148 |
| Cash at Bank - Business Premium Account | 28,090 | 32,299 |
| Petty Cash | 23 | 26 |
| Net Assets | <u>31,242</u> | <u>36,166</u> |

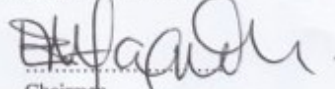
Funds

Village Hall unrestricted:

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Balance brought forward | 36,166 | 28,361 |
| Net (payments) /receipts in the year | <u>-4,924</u> | <u>7,805</u> |
| Balance carried forward | <u>31,242</u> | <u>36,166</u> |

Approved by the Committee of Trustees and signed on its behalf


 Treasurer


 Chairman

Date: 24/2/25

The notes on page 3 form part of these accounts

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2024

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The statement of assets and liabilities outlines the charity's main assets and liabilities at the end of the year including the cash balances at the year end shown in the receipts and payments account

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER
TO THE TRUSTEES OF MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2024**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 14th November 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's 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").

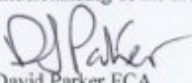
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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.


David Parker FCA
8a Church Road
Mountnessing
Brentwood
Essex
CM15 0TH
Date 24/2/25

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2024****Reference and administration details**

Mountnessing Village Hall is a registered charity, number 278509.

Day to day management of the Village Hall is the responsibility of the Mountnessing Village Hall Management Committee. The trustees of this Committee during the year were:

- John McCoy Appointed by Billericay Mayflower Bridge Club (Chair until 24 Jan 2025)
- Elizabeth Fajimolu Appointed Mountnessing Village Council (Chair wef 24 Jan 2025)
- Andrew Stephenson Elected (Treasurer/Secretary)
- Brian Hurrell Appointed by Shaftesbury Cycling Club
- Susan Conley Appointed by Shenfield U3A Art Multi Media
- Alaric Cundy Co opted (formerly appointed by Mountnessing Bridge Club)
- Susan Stevens Appointed by Shenfield U3A
- Kate Dorrington Elected from October 2023

Mountnessing Village Council is the Custodian Trustee of Mountnessing Village Hall.

The address of the principal (Charity Commission Registered) office of the Mountnessing Village Hall is 149 Roman Road, Mountnessing, CM15 0UD. The Hall is located at Roman Road, Mountnessing, CM15 0UG.

The bankers of the Hall are:

- Barclays Bank - High Street, Brentwood, Essex.

The independent Examiner is:

- David Parker FCA – 8a Church Road, Mountnessing, Brentwood, CM15 0TH.

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2024****Structure, governance and management:**

The governing document of the charity is a lease and trust deed dated 21st March 1979. To be more relevant to present day requirements the lease and trust deed has been amended and a resolution approving this amendment was passed at the Annual General Meeting held on 7th September 2020.

The charity is constituted as a Trust.

The management committee members consist of up to eight elected members and twelve representative members and not more than four co-opted members. Representative members are appointed from user bodies who are supportive of the charity objectives and that notify the secretary of the committee the name of the representative. Elected members are elected at the annual general meeting, whilst co-opted members are appointed at committee meetings.

Objectives and activities

The objectives of the charity are to establish and run a village hall and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the village of Mountnessing and the neighbourhood ('area of benefit') without distinction of political, religious or other opinions including use for meetings, lectures, classes and other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life of the inhabitants.

In managing Mountnessing Village Hall the trustees had due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance.

In the past year the public benefit was continued provision of a village hall facility to provide a regular venue for a wide variety of local organizations such as a bridge clubs, art clubs, a cycling club, a number of U3A groups, a thriving senior citizens club, a group for autistic children and mother & toddler groups. In addition, the hall is used as a one off venue for a wide range events such as children's parties, weddings, anniversaries, quizzes, shoe sales and charity fund raising events. Regular user groups benefit from significantly discounted hire rates and local residents receive favourable rates for ad hoc hall hire.

Achievements and performance

The hall remains heavily used on weekdays by many locally based regular user groups during the year. Weekends were usually used for private social gatherings of various kinds. More use of the hall at weekends following facility upgrades and promotion of the availability continues to generate income surplus over regular expenditure (excluding the Kitchen refurbishment costs). All such surpluses are ploughed back into uplifting hall facilities in addition to maintaining a suitable emergency reserve for the substantial building which the trustees have responsibility for.

Repairs and renewals continue to be made to address the backlog of updating for the 40 year old building. This year has seen the kitchen fully refurbished.

An insurance claim arising from an injury to a hall user in July 2022 was settled in August 2024.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2024

With the completion this year of the kitchen refurbishment, the earlier toilet and window/door replacements together with some decorative and furniture improvements, the hall is an attractive venue for hirers and groups alike. The introduction during the year of superfast fibre broadband with support from Essex County Council, has also provided additional amenity.

The accounts show that there are significant cost increases during the year, energy costs were in focus as the new 3 year deal (at significantly increased rates -taken out to help keep costs predictable) has run through its first year. Labour hourly rates have increased during the year significantly impacting costs for cleaning and booking management. .

The trustees are mindful of the need for the hall to be used for community group activity purposes and over the course of the last 12 months have sought to raise its profile. There is scope for this to continue and to encourage the community to develop activities that could be accommodated at the hall, especially at weekends.

Financial review

In order to continue to secure and sustain the Hall's viability and its future availability to users the Trustees policy is to aim to hold sufficient funds in unrestricted reserves to support planned major maintenance and improvement costs as well as being able to meet variations in future income and expenditure.

The Trustees reviews its Reserve Policy on an annual basis.

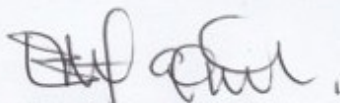
Mountnessing Village Hall held £31,242 in unrestricted funds at 14th November 2024.

The requirement to disclose details of any funds materially in deficit is not applicable.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.



Elizabeth Fajimolu, Chair

Date: 24 February 2025

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

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MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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- Ieuan Harries Appointed by Mountnessing Village Council (Treasurer and Secretary Resigned March 2023)
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- Susan Conley Appointed by Shenfield U3A Art Multi Media
- Alaric Cundy Appointed by Mountnessing Bridge Club
- Rita Harries Appointed by St Giles Church (Resigned March 2023)
- Susan Stevens Appointed by Shenfield U3A
- Elizabeth Fajimolou Appointed Mountnessing Village Council (From March 2023)

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MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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Achievements and performance

The hall was heavily used on weekdays by many locally based regular user groups during the year. Weekends were usually used for private social gatherings of various kinds. More use of the hall at weekends following facility upgrades and promotion of the availability has led to a substantial uplift in income surplus over regular expenditure from pre COVID levels. All such surpluses are ploughed back into uplifting hall facilities in addition to maintaining a suitable emergency reserve for the substantial building which the trustees have responsibility for.

Repairs and renewals continue to be made to address the backlog of updating for the 40 year old building. This year the focus has been on improving the gardens associated with the hall. This is of importance as an insurance claim was made by a user following an injury in the grounds. The claim remains outstanding for settlement but is being handled by our insurers.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2023

Energy costs were in focus as a favourable 3 year fixed price electricity contract ended in September 2023. A new 3 year deal (at significantly increased rates) has been taken out to help keep costs predictable. The hall has no gas supply so is heated by electricity.

A particular issue during the financial year was the demand of Barclays Bank to validate our accounts. The trustees took various steps to avoid disruption in the event that Barclays chose to close the bank accounts as threatened in their correspondence in this matter. Barclays have now completed their actions and the accounts continue to be maintained at their Brentwood Branch.

The trustees are mindful of the need for the hall to be used for community group activity purposes and over the course of the last 12 months have sought to raise its profile. There is scope for this to continue and to encourage the community to develop activities that could be accommodated at the hall, especially at weekends.

Financial review

In order to continue to secure and sustain the Hall's viability and its future availability to users the Trustees policy is to aim to hold sufficient funds in unrestricted reserves to support planned major maintenance and improvement costs as well as being able to meet variations in future income and expenditure.

The Trustees reviews its Reserve Policy on an annual basis.

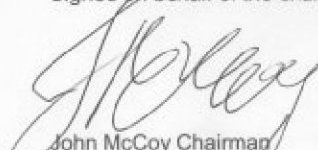
Mountnessing Village Hall held £36,166 in unrestricted funds at 14th November 2023

The requirement to disclose details of any funds materially in deficit is not applicable.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.


John McCoy Chairman
Date: 25/3/24

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL
TO THE TRUSTEES OF MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2023
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The receipts and payments account provides an analysis of the incoming and cash for the year.

The statement of assets and liabilities outlines the charity's main assets and liabilities at the end of the year including the cash balances at the year end shown in the receipts and payments account.

The independent examiner has examined the accounts of the charity for the year ended 14th November 2023 and has found them to be in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reporting) Regulations 2008.

The independent examiner's report is set out on page 2.

The independent examiner has also examined the accounts of the charity for the year ended 14th November 2022 and has found them to be in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reporting) Regulations 2008.

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The independent examiner has also examined the accounts of the charity for the year ended 14th November 2020 and has found them to be in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reporting) Regulations 2008.

David Price FCA
in Charge
Accounting
Director
Trust
Charity

14th November 2023

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

TO THE TRUSTEES OF MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL
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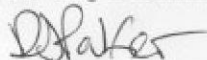
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David Parker FCA
8a Church Road
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Essex
CM15 0TH

Date: 25/03/2024

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2023

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Receipts | | |
| Hall Lettings - Regular Groups | 20,814 | 16,131 |
| Hall Lettings - Functions | 13,246 | 17,976 |
| Government Grant | 0 | 2,667 |
| Voluntary Sources Grants | 0 | 2,900 |
| Bank Interest | 106 | 14 |
| Other Income | 336 | 0 |
| Donation | 2,264 | 0 |
| | <u>36,766</u> | <u>39,688</u> |

| | | |
|---|-------|--------|
| Payments | | |
| Electricity | 2,953 | 3,986 |
| Water & sewerage | 907 | 606 |
| Waste removal | 1,534 | 1,128 |
| Repairs & replacements | 6,376 | 29,880 |
| Garden & car park maintenance | 4,386 | 2,330 |
| Insurance | 1,258 | 943 |
| RCCE-Subscription and Professional advice | 117 | 66 |
| Wages | 9,788 | 10,394 |
| Consumable Materials | 593 | 202 |
| Postage and stationery | 0 | 33 |
| Rates | 118 | 0 |
| Website and Broadband | 624 | 532 |
| Miscellaneous | 307 | 101 |

| | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Net (Payments) / Receipts | <u>28,961</u> | <u>50,201</u> |
| Net Surplus/(Deficit) | <u>7,805</u> | <u>-10,513</u> |

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

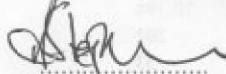
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 14th NOVEMBER 2023

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|---|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash at Bank - Trust Account | 2,693 | -668 |
| Cash at Bank - Lettings Account | 1,148 | 2,535 |
| Cash at Bank - Business Premium Account | 32,299 | 26,493 |
| Petty Cash | 26 | 1 |
| Net Assets | 36,166 | 28,361 |

Funds

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Village Hall unrestricted: | | |
| Balance brought forward | 28,361 | 38,874 |
| Net (payments) /receipts in the year | 7,805 | -10,513 |
| Balance carried forward | <u>36,166</u> | <u>28,361</u> |

Approved by the Committee of Trustees and signed on its behalf


 Treasurer


 Chairman

Date:

The notes on page 3 form part of these accounts

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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- Rita Harries Appointed by St Giles Church
- John McCoy Appointed by Billericay Mayflower Bridge Club
- Susan Stevens Appointed by Shenfield U3A

Mountnessing Village Council, formerly known as Mountnessing Parish Council, is the custodian trustee of Mountnessing Village Hall.

The address of the principal office of the Mountnessing Village Hall is Bibury, Padhams Green, Mountnessing CM13 1UL

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MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

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In managing Mountnessing Village Hall the trustees had due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance.

In the past year the public benefit was continued provision of a village hall facility to provide a regular venue for a wide variety of local organizations such as two bridge clubs, art clubs a cycling club, a number of U3A groups, a thriving senior citizens club and mother & toddler groups. In addition, the hall is used as a one off venue for a wide range events such as children's parties, weddings, anniversaries, quizzes, shoe sales and charity fund raising events.

Achievements and performance

Covid 19 continued to impact the use of the hall for the first few weeks of the financial year and a further support grant was received from the government via Brentwood Borough Council.

Almost all the regular community groups, clubs and societies returned after COVID and the hall was heavily used on weekdays by them during the year. Weekends were usually used for private social gatherings of various kinds. More use of the hall at weekends following facility upgrades and promotion of the availability has led to a substantial uplift in income surplus over regular expenditure from pre COVID levels. All such surpluses are ploughed back into uplifting hall facilities in addition to maintaining a suitable emergency reserve for the substantial building which the trustees have responsibility for.

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2022

Work to renew all the main hall windows and blinds was completed, which will improve ventilation and insulation to the building. All the fire exit doors and frames were also replaced during the year. Substantial grant funding helped with the window costs whilst the doors were funded from income. A batch of folding chairs were acquired with a further order made following positive feedback on their use.

The trustees are mindful of the need for the hall to be used for community group activity purposes and over the course of the last 12 months have sought to raise its profile. There is scope for this to continue and to encourage the community to develop activities that could be accommodated at the hall, especially at weekends.

Financial review

In order to continue to secure and sustain the Hall's viability and its future availability to users the Trustees policy is to aim to hold sufficient funds in unrestricted reserves to support planned major maintenance and improvement costs as well as being able to meet variations in future income and expenditure.

The Trustees reviews its Reserve Policy on an annual basis.

Mountnessing Village Hall held £28,361 in unrestricted funds at 14th November 2022

The requirement to disclose details of any funds materially in deficit is not applicable.

Declaration

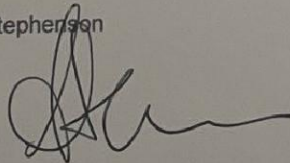
The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Andrew John Stephenson

Treasurer

EX Chairman



Date:

3/11/22

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2022

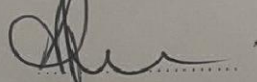
| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|---|-----------------|---------------|
| Receipts | | |
| Hall Lettings - Regular Groups | 16,131 | 9,286 |
| Hall Lettings - Functions | 17,976 | 4,981 |
| Government Grant | 2,667 | 19,018 |
| Voluntary Sources Grants | 2,900 | 12,490 |
| Bank Interest | 14 | 1 |
| | <u>39,688</u> | <u>45,776</u> |
| | | |
| Payments | | |
| Electricity | 3,986 | 1,168 |
| Water & sewerage | 606 | 301 |
| Waste removal | 1,128 | 1,037 |
| Repairs & replacements | 29,880 | 9,568 |
| Garden & car park maintenance | 2,330 | 1,855 |
| Insurance | 943 | 880 |
| RCCE-Subscription and Professional advice | 66 | 66 |
| Toilet refurbishment | - | 3,836 |
| Window cleaning | - | 120 |
| Wages | 10,394 | 4,561 |
| Cleaning materials | 202 | 163 |
| Postage and stationery | 33 | 48 |
| Rates | - | 115 |
| Website and Broadband | 532 | 232 |
| Miscellaneous | 101 | - |
| | <u>50,201</u> | <u>23,950</u> |
| | | |
| Net (Payments)/ Receipts | <u>(10,513)</u> | <u>21,826</u> |

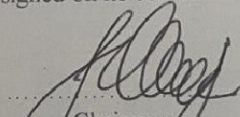
MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 14th NOVEMBER 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|-----------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash at Bank - Trust Account | (668) | 3,268 |
| Cash at Bank - Lettings Account | 2,535 | 1,229 |
| Cash at Bank - Business Premium Account | 26,493 | 34,312 |
| Petty Cash | 1 | 65 |
| Net Assets | <u>28,361</u> | <u>38,874</u> |
| Funds | | |
| Village Hall unrestricted: | | |
| Balance brought forward | 38,874 | 17,048 |
| Net (payments) /receipts in the year | <u>(10,513)</u> | <u>21,826</u> |
| Balance carried forward | <u>28,361</u> | <u>38,874</u> |

Approved by the Committee of Trustees and signed on its behalf


Treasurer


Chairman

The notes on page 3 form part of these accounts

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2022

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TO THE TRUSTEES OF MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2022**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 14th November 2022 which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's 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 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 and 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:

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David Parker FCA
8a Church Road
Mountnessing
Brentwood
Essex
CM15 0TH

Date: 3/4/23

MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

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MOUNTNESSING VILLAGE HALL

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 14th NOVEMBER 2021

Financial review

In order to continue to secure and sustain the Hall's viability and its future availability to users the Trustees policy is to aim to hold sufficient funds in unrestricted reserves to support planned major maintenance and improvement costs as well as being able to meet variations in future income and expenditure.

The Trustees reviews its Reserve Policy on an annual basis.

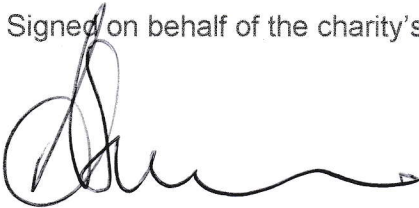
Mountnessing Village Hall held £38,874 in unrestricted funds at 14th November 2021.

The requirement to disclose details of any funds materially in deficit is not applicable.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew John Stephenson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Andrew John Stephenson

Chairman

Date: 4.7.22

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