

GORING VILLAGE HALL
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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The cash reserves of the Charity were increased from £34,111 to £49,455 because of the Covid-relief grants and the reductions in expenditure putting the Charity in a strong financial position going into 2022.

The Balance Sheet for the Charity only dropped by £990 and remains very strong at £434,616.

The Trustees consider the finances of the Charity to be satisfactory.

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On behalf of the board of Trustees



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Dated: 25-Mar-22

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GORING VILLAGE HALL**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2021, which are set out on pages 6 and 7.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

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Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

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Signed:

Dated:

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Misc. income	2,414	-
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Insurance	1,359	1,237
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Refunds	500	2,499
Costs of fundraising	-	-
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Net incoming resources available	16,044	6,500
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Equipment, fixtures and fittings	-	190
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READING LIONS CLUB CHARITY TRUST FUND**

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