



# North Petherton Community Centre *Charity No: 291048*

Fore Street, North Petherton, Somerset, TA6 6QA

## **Trustees' Annual Report for 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025 - 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025**

### **Trustees who manage the Charity**

Dr Rosalynd Jowett	Chair
Ms Jenny Manners	Secretary
Mrs Mary Adams	Treasurer
Mr Andy Jennings	Facilities Lead
Mr Mick Quincy	Utilities Lead
Mrs Liz Rixon	Projects Lead
Mrs Louise Dennis	
Mr Damian Baker	

### **Governance Issues**

Our Constitution is our governing document and our objectives continue to steer our purpose, strategy and goals which are:

- (a) To place the North Petherton Community Centre at the heart of the community, providing a sustainable, and accessible space that is valued and supported by the people of our town.
- (b) To promote, enable and facilitate inclusive activities, which embrace and address the education, social, cultural and recreational needs of the North Petherton Communities
- (c) The Organisation shall be non-party in politics and non-sectarian in religion. The area of benefit shall be the Parish of North Petherton, Nr Bridgwater, Somerset.

### The Charity's Organisational Structure

The Charity's Management Committee constitutes the appointed Trustees and representatives of the organisations which use the Centre on a regular basis. This composition ensures our decisions are discussed and agreed involving diverse views and insights.

Various projects are established and delivered through 'a task and finish group' approach. This allows the planning stages to take place outside the formal Committee process and then their respective proposals / recommendations are submitted to the Management Committee for a decision.

Trustees are appointed and re-elected in line with our Constitution.

### The Charity's relationship with Key Parties

Partnership working with key, local organisations is an important aspect of our work. We have established effective partnerships with the Library Service, Town Council, North Petherton Church, Somerset Council, other local village Halls, North Petherton Flower Show and the NHS for vaccination and blood donation events. Working with such partners has the benefit of helping all parties progress their respective purpose.

The recent addition of a 'community bench' at the Centre is aimed at fostering community cohesion, a space for socialisation and interaction.

### The Trustees' Consideration of Risks and Process to Manage these.

The Energy Audit of 2025 and its recommendations have been discussed and actions agreed. The next major decision is how best to manage the potential to replace current energy sources which are sustainable but affordable. This consideration requires more specialist knowledge and we are in the process of exploring possible sources of specialist advice.

Maintaining and improving the external structure of the building to ensure it remains a high standard is one of our key responsibilities. There has been a major overhaul of all internal and external signage at the Centre, active management of overgrown vegetation in and around the car park area and general upgrading of the surrounding environment.

### **Summary of main achievements in 2025.**

The North Petherton Youth Club moved from the Church Rooms back to the Centre's Main Hall in 2025. The Youth Club is active every Tuesday evening and operates for both a junior and secondary club with different time slots. The aim is that this activity will grow in strength and popularity and be of value to the youth of our community.

The Committee works through individual subgroups of Trustees and other committee members, to develop and produce an implementation plan of new ideas which benefit the community. One of these is the successful Film Night initiative. This particular subgroup has led the procurement of quality film equipment, the selection of films and organising the evening itself. We are delighted at the Community's support for the film nights, including the family events where the ticket costs are kept to a minimum.

The North Petherton Community Larder is the result of another subgroup leading on the planning and management of the Town's larder which is available and accessible for everyone. The aim is to reduce food waste in the local community. Local businesses can donate their surplus food and residents are encouraged to contribute any surplus they may have from vegetable garden or allotment to avoid any wastage.

One of our important partnerships with the wider community involved our carefully managed project to maximise the car parking capacity for the benefit of all users. The project's goal was to

implement a structured approach to engage the community to explore how the car park was used, to explain why this project was required and to highlight the current guidance on usage according to the Trust deed.

### **Financial Summary**

The business aspect of managing the Centre relies on bookings for social, celebratory, health and well-being activities for all ages of the Town's community. This income allows us to offer a concession to hirers who meet the criteria and set a nominal fee for our family film nights. Such events help to ensure the Centre plays a vital role in enhancing the community ethos.

A full financial report will be submitted by the Charity's Treasurer.

The last year 2025/2026 has been a busy and productive one with continuing commitment from all Committee members. This commitment is not taken for granted and we continue to welcome additional help and / or interest from members of the community of North Petherton, to work with us to ensure the Community Centre remains at the heart of the community, providing a sustainable, and accessible space that is valued and supported by the people of our town.

*Dr Rosalynd Jowett,*

*Chair and Trustee of North Petherton Community Centre*

*on behalf of Trustees*

*April 2026*



**NORTH PETHERTON COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**CHARITY NUMBER 291048**

**ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD**

**1 JANUARY – 31 DECEMBER 2025**



**NORTH PETHERTON COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS**  
**YR ENDED 31.12.25 (Charity no 291048)**

INCOME	£		PAYMENTS	£	
Hall Hire	21697.75		Cleaning	8617.60	
Small Hall Rent	12480.00		Caretaker	1623.37	
Film Club	1490.86		Film Club	1659.52	
Textile Bank	511.60		Electric - Main Hall	2450.41	
Lloyds bank interest	710.19		Electric - Small Hall	1267.68	
NPTC Grant-Larder	500.00		Gas	2846.64	
NPTC Grant-VE 80 Party	300.00		VE 80 Party	691.07	
Misc	66.00		Maintenance & Repairs	3044.55	
<b>Totals</b>			Mobile Phone	91.54	
			Insurance	1791.77	
			Equipment Purchases	6588.07	
			Water	769.89	
			Broadband	264.05	
			Larder	113.97	
			Misc	1158.71	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>37756.40</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>32978.84</b>	
Excess Income over Expenditure *	4067.37				
Lloyds bank interest *	710.19				
	<b>4777.56</b>				
<b>BANK RECONCILIATION</b>	<b>Lloyds</b>		<b>Lloyds Commercial</b>		<b>Lloyds Fixed Term</b>
	<b>Current a/c</b>				
Funds held as at 31.12.24	<b>5362.20</b>		<b>43651.19</b>		<b>23049.37</b>
Excess income over expenditure *	4067.37	Interest *	364.25	Interest *	345.94
Less transfer out to Lloyds Commercial a/c	-5000.00	Transferred in	5000.00		
<b>Balances as at 31.12.25</b>	<b>4429.57</b>		<b>49015.44</b>		<b>23395.31</b>

See attached notes on Maintenance,  
Repairs, Equipment & Miscellaneous

## NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

### Miscellaneous payments

Pyrus Media Adv AGM	24.00
Rhode Accounting	100.00
Community Council Somerset Annual Subs	110.00
My Hall Wizard Annual Subs	280.00
AGM Refreshments	43.15
Somerset CC Annual Premises Licence	180.00
Sponsorship North Petherton Flower Show	40.00
Website Hosting	23.94
Performing Rights Society Royalties	343.62
Hall Christmas Tree	14.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1158.71</b>

### Maintenance/Repairs/Equipment

Remove toilets & basins from small hall toilet	200.00
Miscellaneous maintenance	537.59
Microwave - small hall kitchen	89.00
New NPCC Laptop	549.00
Annual Fire Extinguishers Service	113.57
Work to trees, bushes etc in car Park	900.00
Whiteboards/New Signage	3305.82
New Bench	2204.40
Stream Clearance	388.80
Annual Gas Boiler service	515.00
Film Club GoStream Deck Video Switcher 4	247.87
New window small hall kitchen	203.57
Repairs to Car Park barrier and post	378.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9632.62</b>



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

Noah Petherton Community Centre

On accounts for the year  
ended

31/12/2025

Charity no  
(if any)

291048

Set out on pages

1-3

(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 DD / MM / YYYY.

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

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below \*~~) 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

14/3/2026

Name:

HELEN LANGLEY

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body

ICAEW



(if any):

Address:

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NORTH PETHERTON

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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.