

Whimble Victory Hall



Registered Charity no. 291496

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2023-2024 FINANCIAL YEAR

Whimble Parish Council is the Custodian Trustee of the Charity.

The Committee of Trustees for 2023-2024:-

Elected Officers:

1. Sue Ayres (Chairman)
2. Robert Davis (Vice Chair)
3. Diana Wilkins (Secretary)
4. Chris Olive (Treasurer)
5. Ali Tierney (Bookings Secretary)
6. Viv Brown (Officer)

User Representatives:

1. Arthur Iball (Over 60's Club)
2. Paul Wilson (Whimble & District Garden Club)
3. Rob Davis (Front Row Club)
4. Ken Banks and Keith Cleeve (Exeter 0 Gauge Club)
5. Helen Bowker (St Marys Church)
6. Alan McArthur (Parish Council)
7. David Rastall (History Society and Carpet Bowls)
8. Scott Lee (Pre School group) – for part of the period.

MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

Whimble Victory Hall is managed in accordance with the constitution.

Elected Officers (the 'Management Sub Committee' team) and User Representatives Trustees were confirmed at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 4th September 2023.

Regular users of the Hall are invited to nominate a trustee to serve on the Committee, in this period eight groups were represented. Trustees can also be recruited from the community, often to serve utilising their specialist skills.

Excluding the AGM, five Full committee meetings were held in this report period.

Six Management Sub Committee meetings were held to discuss day to day management of the hall, respond to issues arising, appraise any remedial actions or purchases and work on hall improvement projects. The Management Sub Committee reported to the Committee of Trustees at 'Full' meetings or, if necessary, by email. The Management Sub Committee is empowered to make everyday decisions quickly and efficiently to ensure the smooth running of the Hall. Complex proposals are prepared and presented to the Full committee meetings for debate.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The land and buildings of the Victory Hall are held in trust "for the purposes of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of Whimble and the neighbourhood thereof without distinction of sex, political, religious or other opinions". To that end, the trustees work to ensure that the Hall is well maintained and available at all reasonable times, for any person or organisation, to hire for events and functions, whether held once or on a regular basis. The trustees raise funds to achieve their objectives by hiring Hall facilities to the public and organisations, through fund raising events, Soup 'n Sarnie lunches and other community events such as by association with Whimble Village day.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Trustees believe that the Hall is a significant asset to the village and wider community.

Wide sections of the community can be regularly seen at the Hall, from the very young attending the Pre-School and Primary School, to the Over 60's who attend Carpet Bowls and Snooker sessions.

The range of regular organised activities that offer something for everyone that include a monthly film club, history society talks, dance/fitness classes, table tennis and snooker clubs, a wine appreciation group, gardening club talks along with their annual plant sale and competition, and ad hoc events such as warm spaces lunch, quizzes, pop up dinners. Regular 'Soup 'n Sarnie' lunches are very popular with all age groups and are a benefit to both the individual and community. These lunches with a raffle, table top sales and other initiatives support funding for the Hall.

The Trustees recognise, and are extremely grateful for, the significant contribution of many volunteers who support the Hall throughout the year.

Achievements and improvements made to the Hall during this year are stated in the Chairman's report.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Trustees regularly monitor our hall hire pricing policy in order to balance present and future financial needs, and within the economic realities within our community. A copy of the accounts is provided to the Charity Commission. The Hall has no debts. It remains the principal strategy of the Trustees to preserve surplus funds for major renovations as agreed in the 2019 public consultation on 'The Future of our Hall'.

Diana Wilkins

Secretary

9th September 2024

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Financial Report for the year ending 31 May 2024
(to accompany the Trustees Annual Report 2023-24)

Whimble Victory Hall

Income and Expenditure for the year ending 31 May 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Income		
Hire of Hall & Facilities	18,313.27	17,004.90
School Hire	11,330.00	9,665.00
Grants	12,824.40	10,125.00
Donations	2,368.00	1,138.52
Bank Interest	<u>3,132.66</u>	<u>848.71</u>
	47,968.33	38,782.13
Fundraising		
Soup & Sarnie	2,370.85	1,780.59
£250 Lottery Club	<u>1,129.45</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	3,500.30	1,780.59
Total income received	51,468.63	40,562.72
Expenditure		
Water Rates and Insurance	2,173.71	1,679.46
Heat/Light and Power	3,680.73	3,658.00
Communications, Printing and Stationery	201.67	252.57
Professional Fees	1,099.29	1,229.67
Repairs and Maintenance	2,472.82	1,436.67
Major Improvements	20,453.64	22,247.82
Cleaning	6,446.56	6,438.66
General Expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>246.90</u>
Total Expenditure	36,528.42	37,189.75
Transfer to Building Fund	15,000.00	5,000.00
Surplus Income/(Deficit)	(59.79)	(1,627.03)

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Balance Sheet for the year ending 31 May 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Assets		
Debtors	1,498.19	1,486.32
Bank Deposit Account	154,766.53	140,756.28
Bank Current Account	10,894.11	9,976.02
Liabilities		
Prepayments	(0.00)	(0.00)
Creditors	(0.00)	(0.00)
Net Assets	167,158.83	152,218.62
Reserves		
Rebuilding Fund	160,000.00	145,000.00
Profit and Loss Surplus	<u>7,158.83</u>	<u>7,218.62</u>
Total Reserves	167,158.83	152,218.62

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Whimble Victory Hall

We report to the Trustees on our examination of the accounts of the Whimble Victory Hall (Charity No: 291496) for the year ended 31 May 2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Charity Trustees of the Whimble Victory Hall, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

We report in respect of our examination of the Whimble Victory Hall accounts carried out under Section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out our examination, we have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

We have completed our examination, and can confirm that there are no material matters that have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Whimble Victory Hall as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
- 2) The accounts do not accord with those records

We 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.

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02 September 2024

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