



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
CLOPHILL VILLAGE HALL

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 MARCH 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

300015

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(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 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. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- 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.

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

Signed:

Date:

18/06/2025

Name:

Richard Martin St. John Fairholm

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

Address:

12, Tanqueray Avenue, Clophill, Central Bedfordshire, MK45 4AW.

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.**

**Clophill Village Hall**  
**Income and Expenditure Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025**

		2024/25		2023/24	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Village Hall Income</b>					
	Hire Charges				
	General	13,420.53		14,295.40	
	weddings Parties etc	8,441.50		7,417.50	
	Interest	1,480.47		1,243.41	
	Hire of table cloths etc	0.00		0.00	
	Solar Panels	863.27		876.28	
	Bar income	225.00		0.00	
	Other income	500.00		310.17	
		<u>24,930.77</u>		<u>24,142.76</u>	
<b>Village Hall Expenditure</b>					
	Running costs				
	Electricity	2,301.19		2,650.31	
	Gas	3,279.56		3,555.54	
	Maintenance cleaning materials grass cut	2,850.07		2,479.05	
	Water rates	1,373.76		1,397.45	
	Rates	54.89		56.32	
	EE Broadband	463.24		361.20	
	Insurance	1,295.13		1,263.44	
	Bank Charges	4.00		0.00	
	Misc. expenses	455.03		613.49	
	Maintenance repairs	5,214.14		2,232.52	
	Equipment	83.91		928.90	
	Laundry	0.00		0.00	
	Hallmaster Booking System	265.00		0.00	
	Bar Costs	375.00		0.00	
	Hall cleaning	8,470.00		8,960.00	
		<u>26,484.92</u>		<u>24,498.22</u>	
	<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>	<u><u>(1,554.15)</u></u>		<u><u>(355.46)</u></u>	
	23/24 Accumulated Fund	13,003.79			
	Plus Excess/Deficit from above	(1,554.15)			
	Current accumulated fund	<u><u>11,449.64</u></u>			
<b>Fund Raising Income</b>					
	Fund Raise	1,050.00		7,675.00	
	Parish Council	1,500.00		0.00	
	Santa Sleigh	0.00		0.00	
	Mid Beds Council	0.00		0.00	
	Jubilee income	0.00		0.00	
		<u>2,550.00</u>		<u>7,675.00</u>	
<b>Fund Raising/Projects Expenditure</b>					
	Hall Projects	4,648.38		12,550.22	
		<u>4,648.38</u>		<u>12,550.22</u>	
	Fund raising	0.00		0.00	
	Jubilee costs	0.00		-250.00	
		<u>0.00</u>		<u>-250.00</u>	
		<u>4,648.38</u>		<u>12,300.22</u>	
	<b>Excess of fund raising income over expenditure</b>	<u><u>(2,098.38)</u></u>		<u><u>(4,625.22)</u></u>	
	23/24 Accumulated Fund	49,462.04			
	Plus Excess/Deficit from above	(2,098.38)			
	Current fund raising accumulated fund	<u><u>47,363.66</u></u>			
<b>Hub Income</b>					
	Hub Fund Raising	2,865.21		6,631.21	
		<u>2,865.21</u>		<u>6,631.21</u>	
<b>Hub Expenditure</b>					
	Hub Costs	3,467.23		2,194.60	
		<u>3,467.23</u>		<u>2,194.60</u>	
	<b>Excess of Hub fund raising income over expenditure</b>	<u><u>(602.02)</u></u>		<u><u>4,436.61</u></u>	
	23/24 Accumulated Fund	5,496.14			
	Plus Excess/Deficit from above	(602.02)			

Current Hub accumulated fund 4,894.12

**Clophill Village Hall  
Balance Sheet at 31 March 2025**

	2024/25	2023/24
	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Debtors	1,538.00	1,443.59
Current Account	5,333.01	4,859.44
Deposit Account	57,926.96	61,534.90
Cash in Hand	421.79	846.06
	<u>65,219.76</u>	<u>68,683.99</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Creditors	1,512.34	722.02
	<u>1,512.34</u>	<u>722.02</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u>63,707.42</u>	<u>67,961.97</u>
 <b>Represented by</b>		
Village Hall accumulated fund	11,449.64	13,003.79
Fund raising accumulated fund	47,363.66	49,462.04
Hub accumulated fund	4,894.12	5,496.14
Total Accumulated Fund	<u>63,707.42</u>	<u>67,961.97</u>

Brian Owen Treasurer



Date

22/4/2025



**Treasurer's report to the Annual General Meeting of Clophill Village Hall.  
Financial Year to 31 March 2025.**

1/ For reporting purposes, I have continued to split the accounts between the running of the village hall, fund raising, which is held for special projects, equipment etc. and income and expenditure on the hub/community food bank.

Of note, during this year; gas and electric was marginally lower than last year. We signed up for another one-year electricity contract with the 3.5 year gas contract still in place from last year. However, repair costs were over double last year's costs due to essential repairs to the fire alarm system and emergency lighting. There were also general repairs to the plumbing and fence. Below is a summary of the year's activity: -

a) The running of the village hall.

- Income totalled £24,931 compared to £24,143 last year.
- Hire income was £21,862 compared to £21,713 last year.
- Income from the solar panels was £863 compared to £876 last year.
- Bank interest income was £1,480 compared to £1,243 last year.
- Bar income was £225 compared to £0 last year.
- Maintenance costs were £5,214, compared to £2,223 last year.
- Cleaning costs were £8,470 compared £8,960 last year.
- Energy (Gas and Electric) costs were £5,581 compared to £6,206 last year.
- Running of the village hall generated a deficit of (£1,554) compared to a deficit of (£355) last year. This deficit is due to the higher than usual repair costs mentioned above.

b) The reserve fund/fund raising for future projects saw the following activity.

- The Santa Sleigh was again operated on behalf of another charity and so no Santa Sleigh money came to the village hall account, which is the same as last year.
- There were again no fund-raising events during the year, the same as last year.
- We received a Parish Council grant of £1,500 towards the cost of building a new web site. We also received a payment of £1,050 from Total Energy as compensation for a delay in allowing the movement of the gas supply contract in the previous financial year.
- The above Parish Council funding was put towards the construction of a new web site at a cost of £4,476.
- The net income into the reserve funds (fund raising/grants minus cost of the web build etc was minus (£2,098) which was taken from the reserve funds.

c) The Hub/Community Food Bank had the following activity.

- Total fund raising was £2,865 with various small individual donations as well as a Mid Beds grant of £1,000 towards a fridge and power supply and a church donation of £355.
- Spending on the Hub totalled £3,467 which was for food and £940 for a fridge and power supply.
- There was a surplus remaining at the end of the year of £4,894 which is inclusive of the remaining surplus from previous years.

2/ In summary the operation of the village hall generated a deficit of (£1,554), the fund raising and project spend generated a deficit of (£2,098) and the Hub generated a deficit of (£602).

3/ At the financial year-end, the individual accounts stood at net; Operation of the village hall total assets £11,450 down from £13,004 the previous year; Fund raising/projects total assets of £47,364 down from £49,462 the previous year; and Hub total assets £4,894 down from £5,496 the previous year. Total of all Village Hall assets at the end of the year are £63,707.

4/ The above funds are held as

Current Account £5,333.01  
Deposit Account £57,926.96  
Cash in Hand £421.79  
Debtors £1,538.00  
Less Creditors £1,512.34  
Total Assets £63,707.42

5/ At year end the debtors stood at £1,538, being hire invoices that have been raised but not yet paid. None of these are considered to be bad debts.

6/ At year end the creditors stood at £1,512.34 being cheques issued for payment of invoices received but where the cheques have not been cashed by the year end.

7/ The full financial statement is attached, and the full accounts can be inspected up on request.

8/ The committee members for 2024/2025 were as follows: -

S. Langhorn – Chairman.

B. Owen – Treasurer.

D. Fothergill – Vice Chairman and Secretary.

A. Gardner.

R. O'Dell

C. Baker

F. Langhorn

A. Swannell

S. Banfield

M. Browning

G. Mantini

P. Court