

Notes:

Firstly, thanks to trustees for attending this evening and also for their contributions over the past 12 months. These have ranged across a wide area from opening up the building when required, turning off the alarm!, removing accumulated waste and being involved in various larger pieces of work that have required diverse skillsets. In each case, thanks for these efforts and for continuing to support the Village Hall in what is often a bit of a thankless task.

Away from the trustees, I'd also like to place on record thanks to Sarah who continues to manage the 'business as usual' side of the Hall in an excellent manner and Jenni who continually manages to pull everything together and ensure that as a group things move forward to successful conclusions. Thankyou.

I'm not going to issue an hours lecture as this meeting contains trustees that have at least as much experience as I do and in many cases have a much stronger understanding of the mechanics of the Village Hall. However, a couple of observations if I may.....

Firstly, the primary objectives of the Trustees is to ensure that the Village Hall remains in a condition fit to deliver a service to the community. A facility such as ours should be continually going through a period of maintenance based improvement whilst delivering (in my opinion at least) a service at the most reasonable possible cost. With the reserves that we have I don't believe we should ever be looking to secure a significant profit, more maintain an even keel and use money made from bookings, grants etc to fund improvements that benefit the users. I'm therefore really pleased with the annual returns that show a very small loss of under a £1000 yet includes the 2025 Insurance cost in advance. In my opinion, this is where we should be, running along and taking care of ourselves without looking to maximise profit and potentially put people off from using this impressive facility.

Highlights for the year have been numerous:

Lighting improved in the Dixon Hall,
Work on the exterior of the building (thanks Ashley)
Drainage issues resolved (thanks Len),
Fencing work, hedge cutting and maintenance all completed as required.
Energy review held

All this, and others I've more than likely forgotten, along with the usual housekeeping required for a building such as this. Having worked through these things, I think the minimal loss incurred speaks volumes for how the Hall is being managed and for 2025-26 I think the conclusion I'd draw is the importance of continuing this work and making improvements as we need to. Whilst the money we make will fund much of this, we shouldn't be afraid to also use part of our reserves if the need arises as the money is there to be used positively. This doesn't mean that the next 12 months should see a change in approach, more a reminder that should the inevitable big ticket item come up (heating for instance) we do have the means to make a lasting improvement. Thanks



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Basildon Village Hall and Recreation Ground

No (if any)
300115

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

Period start date
01/01/2024

To

Period end date
31/12/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Gifts and Donations	260	-	-	260	60
Government Grants		-	-	-	-
Hall Hire:	1,964			1,964	-
Commercial Hire	650			650	945
Community Organisations	787			787	969
Party Income	5,605			5,605	5,672
Regular Hires	14,826	-	-	14,826	12,579
Weddings	1,370	-	-	1,370	250
Other		-	-	-	483
Outdoor Space Hire:				-	-
Car Park				-	400
Pitch Hire				-	5,261
Solar Power Receipts	5,233			5,233	959
Bank Interest Received	1,211	-	-	1,211	686
Investment Income	843	-	-	843	110
Other Income	45	-	-	45	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	32,794	-	-	32,794	28,374
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	32,794	-	-	32,794	28,374
A3 Payments					
Bank Charges	60	-	-	60	60
Bookings/Cleaner/Treasurer	14,489	-	-	14,489	13,070
Cleaning and Materials	1,662	-	-	1,662	695
Council Tax	411	-	-	411	459
Dues and Subscriptions	1,154	-	-	1,154	500
Insurance	4,529	-	-	4,529	2,021
Investment Loss		-	-	-	-
Professional Fees	180			180	360
Waste Collection	1,251			1,251	-
Repairs and Maintenance	4,875			4,875	4,036
Utilities (Light, heat, water)	8,173			8,173	6,374
Bad Debts				-	110
Sub total	36,784	-	-	36,784	27,685
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Capital purchases	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	36,784	-	-	36,784	27,685
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,990	-	-	- 3,990	689
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	161,849	25,798	-	187,647	-
Cash funds this year end	157,859	25,798	-	183,657	689

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account - Cadcaf	7,459	-	-
	CAF Unrestricted Account	47,000	-	-
	Redmayne Bentley Investment Account	103,400	25,798	-
	Total cash funds	157,859	25,798	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

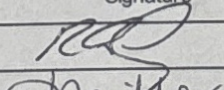
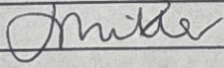
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Village Hall	Restricted	755,676	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	ROBERT CRESSLEY	16/4/25
	JENNI MILLER	16/4/25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

Basildon Village Hall and Recreation Ground

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

300115

Set out on pages

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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 31/12/2024.

**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**

I have completed my examination. 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:

- 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.

Signed:

Date:

17/04/2025

Name:

Sarah Tram

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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