

BRAY VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 300131

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1971-09-08

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: VILLAGE HALL

Activities: Provides facilities and premises for children, elderly and members of the local community. Holds fundraising activities such as quizzes, dances and jumble sales.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BRAY AND NEIGHBOURHOOD
- Bracknell Forest
- Reading
- Slough
- West Berkshire
- Windsor And Maidenhead
- Wokingham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£44,620	£48,907	-	-
2024-03-31	£37,526	£32,115	-	-
2023-03-31	£29,053	£46,735	-	-
2022-03-31	£22,027	£17,095	-	-
2021-03-31	£8,471	£13,329	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ian Jenkins	Chair	2018-05-12
MICHAEL CHARLETON		2001-07-12
Melanie Gordon		2023-06-14
Richard Bailey		2023-06-14
Suzanne Jane Cross		2022-04-05

BRAY VILLAGE HALL

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Record of the Annual General Meeting - Bray Village Hall

Thursday 27th November, 6:30pm, 2025

1. Attendance

Trustees:

- Ian Jenkins - Chairman
- Mike Charleton – Deputy Chairman/Treasurer
- Suzanne Cross – Borough/Parish Councilor
- Richard Bailey
- Melanie Dutton
- Amanda Proctor
- Sheena Jenkins (Secretary)

BVH Financial Auditors

- Mrs and Mr Crane-Lees

Members of the Public

- (See Appendix1)

2. Introduction & Conduct

The Chairman explained the purpose of the meeting and the conduct expected from attendees, including asking if anyone attending was planning to film or record the meeting. One member of the public – Mr Filipczak-Korczak - responded by stating that he refused to answer the question. He was asked three times to do so and still refused. As Mr Filipczak-Korczak appeared to be under the mistaken impression that the meeting fell under regulations for filming applicable to public bodies, the Chairman informed him that charities and meetings in village halls do not and summarized what applied, what this meant in practice and what had not and/or could not have been met. He was asked again if he planned to film or record the meeting and repeated his answer. A vote was then taken to determine who would be comfortable with being filmed or recorded and the majority voted against this. Mr Filipczak-Korcsak was again asked his intention and refused to answer and was then asked to leave – he refused and the meeting was suspended pending his departure or removal by the Police. He was asked what purpose he had for his behaviour other than to disrupt proceedings but did not answer.

After a few minutes and in the interest of seeing business completed, and the public not further inconvenienced, the Chairman informed Mr Filipczak-Korcsak that he could stay but on the understanding that should it transpire he had indeed undertaken filming or recording that the Trustees would take legal action against him. Moreover, he was informed that under legislation governing meetings in charities and village halls, he would be liable for any action arising from so doing.

The meeting was then reconvened; none present had left.

2. Chairman's Report (to April 2025)

Since our last report, it is pleasing to note that BVH continues to develop as our 'community's hub' over and above the organised groups such as pre-school, and now attracts a wide cross-section of parishioners for both bookings and events and is increasingly serving to bring all closer together. This is vital and accords with the original bequest as while not immediately evident to anyone unfamiliar with Bray, the village is not all 'gin & Jags' as was once famously coined; it hosts Jesus Hospital Alms Houses, single and older, retired people, plus a significant number of younger families many of whom have come here from abroad. The Hall's use to offer a focus for all and act as both a meeting place and service for newcomers, fills a current vacuum as there is no appropriate alternative¹ and many are uncomfortable with or cannot afford to use Bray's fine dining if famous gastro pubs and restaurants. The village also lacks a shop or post office, these having closed some 25 years ago.

Within year, a Hall Trustee took the initiative to re-instate Bray's traditional village fete and was heavily supported by the Hall and fellow trustees for planning, logistics, treasury, entertainment and provision of bar services, the latter seeing a much welcome profit of some £2,200 to bolster hall funds. The Hall ran a full and varied events programme including well supported events for the D-Day 80th celebrations, a Christmas Market (showcasing our local traders) and opened the bar Christmas Day (it was packed!) and a highly successful Burns Night proposed and jointly run by locals. Highly pleasing was feedback received at our January 1st 'Survivors' Brunch' including comments such as '...I didn't know who my neighbour was until today' and 'the Hall is bringing our community closer together.' We also used some events to raise money for Thames Hospice, our local hospice and one our community has a close interest in.

That all said, we have had significant capital outlay including redecorating the Hall and replacing most of its flat roof. Increasing use of the Hall, while welcome, also reinforces the need to ensure that we are able to continue to manage and sustain it as intended. We are not far-off needing paid staff to run operations though this eventuality may be delayed as - pleasingly – we are seeing more local volunteers emerging who want to get engaged to help. We will need to continue to spend to both cope with 'wear & tear' that more regular use brings and ensure we can deliver against ever evolving and diverse use by the community. After running a pilot for a weekly, Friday morning café in April, it proved so successful that Trustees have run it on seeing it developed into a place where local traders can market their goods and locals can also buy essential, basic groceries. It has brought new faces into the Hall, volunteers to staff it, plus attracted donations to Hall funds (as well as a large TV for the bar) all of which goes to the heart of why the Hall was bequeathed in the first place.

3. Bray Village Hall Treasurers Report (to year ending 31st March 2025)

The year has been another busy one for the hall with all of our normal activities continuing strongly, rental income was up 3.5% with fund raising profits after costs up 60% on the previous year. The result being total income generated of £44,620 against £37,526 for the previous 12 months an uplift of 19%. Expenditure was up (mainly due to £9,500 spent on replacing two flat roofs) at £48,907 against £32,115 for the previous 12 months.

¹ The nearest equivalent is Bray's Sports & Social Club albeit it is a smaller facility on the village's edge, drawing on a much wider community including from outwith the Parish and is not a registered charity.

The end result being a deficit of £4,287 against a surplus of £5,411 the previous year.

The bank balance decreased from £27,886 to £23,599 for the same period last year.

Letting revenue together with fundraising is still looking good for the current 12 months, with Friday coffee mornings in the Bar proving very popular and providing another revenue stream. We estimate revenue to be a lot higher than expenses for the year 25/26.

4. House Report

Main works up until end March comprised:

- Replacement of flat roofing.
- Permanent installation of Skynet superfast broadband as a trial.
- Completion of an outside area for bar seating and tables.
- Replacement of main front doors and security lighting, plus additional lighting to the courtyard.
- Upgrade of the bar room electrical system.
- Repair to kitchen units damaged by leaking roof.
- Repairs to existing lavatories and removal of redundant hall ducting.

Looking ahead, the lavatories need complete refurbishment and addition of air extraction to meet building regulations. Oven aside, the kitchen will also need complete refurbishment soon and major infrastructure spend is envisaged for areas of the hall behind the stage and bar.

5. Fundraising Report

Fund raising has been largely covered above and due to strong hiring, exceptional sums from both the village fete bar and several well-attended events, plus more regular revenue from smaller events, it was not felt necessary to approach the Parish Council for another grant. However, significant anticipated capital spend, and increases in utility costs, reinforces the need for increased revenue still, and Trustees intend to launch a 'friends of the Hall scheme' to offer certain benefits in exchange for small monthly direct debits, plus seek corporate sponsorship for major refurbishments.

6. Health and Safety Report

There were no serious health & safety issues albeit now that the mains security systems have been upgraded safety testing can be undertaken for appliances and sockets. Annual fire safety checks were completed.

7. Election of Committee and Officers

All existing Committee Members and Officers stood down and the following people re-elected to be Trustees as follows:

- Chairman – Ian Jenkins
- Dep Chairman/Treasurer – Mike Charleton
- Richard Bailey
- Melanie Gordon
- Suzanne Cross – Parish Council Rep
- Amanda Proctor
- Sheena Jenkins - Secretary

Additionally, Sheena Jenkins was re-appointed as a Trustee with the role of Secretariat and Ops Support. The Chairman gave notice that he intends to stand down in one year having held the role for some seven years.

Trustee Mrs Filipczak-Korczak did not attend but has stood down as a Trustee over a disagreement over the Hall's governance and management. The Chairman explained to the meeting that Joanna's concerns were related to its last Charity Commission written Charter produced in 1971 with which she believed we were non-compliant. Moreover, her assertion was discussed with her in and out of committee and that her view was not shared by the other Trustees or legal advice previously given.

The Trustees wish to acknowledge the commendable work Mrs Filipczak-Korczak did in her time as trustee, especially for the Hall's Centenary and in taking the initiative to re-establish the village fete and wish her well in future endeavors.

A summary of how the Hall's governance and management is currently conducted and evolving is at Appendix 2. It remains based on its 1971 Charter and provides the guiding principles that drive how the hall is managed. St Michael's Church will now also be represented on the Trustee Board and is a welcome addition strengthening the mutual support given by both.

8. Questions from the Public.

- Mr Graham asked if the Chairman was prepared to speak with the Fete Committee in January to propose how the Hall might help hold the fete in 2026. The Chairman said that he and other Trustees would indeed meet with the Fete Committee in January to discuss the next Fete.
- Mr Parkinson (Jr) asked if the Trustees should consider retaining Mrs Filipczak-Korczak given the energy and passion she could offer. The Chairman said that her resignation letter (handed to all attending) by her husband was just that, and it was probably timely for her to stand down now, albeit it would be inappropriate to say more. Amanda Proctor also explained that although Joanna has ostensibly 'resigned' the same day as the AGM, all trustees were in any event currently required under the 1971 Charter to stand down at the AGM pending re-election.
- Mr Graham asked if the trustees should update the 1971 governance charter as it also seemed risky if all trustees were to leave at the same time without re-election, leaving the Hall with a wholesale loss of experience in one go. The Chairman agreed and explained that succession planning is now part of the Trustees responsibilities, plus that the four slides on hall governance and management (Appendix 2) were produced as part of such a process and that this should complete in the new year.

- Mrs Graham asked why electricity costs were now so high. The Treasurer explained that aside from a hike nationally, an old electricity supply had been discovered feeding the bar and bar room extension for which we had not hitherto been billed. Both now had coolers and air conditioning running and once a power supplier had been identified to own the supply, it was upgraded to be safe and billing started again, albeit we were not – thankfully – required to make any back payments.
- Mr Parkinson (Jr) stated that the Cricket & Social Club had a much higher bill than the hall and asked if we paid VAT. It was explained that we did, but as a registered charity, at a lower rate.
- Finally, Mrs Graham remarked that while she had not been able yet to be a regular hall café attender, when she had, that it had a really good community feel about it and wished to thank all of the trustees for their hard work in general, a comment most gratefully received.

9. Trustees Declaration

The AGM ended at 7:07pm. The Trustees are satisfied that this record correctly reflects the position of the Hall and its management at the time of meeting.

I P Jenkins

Chairman
Bray Village Hall Trustees

Appendices:

1. Public Attendees
2. BVH Governance & Management Summary (in accompanying attachment)

Appendix 1

Bray Village Hall AGM 27th October 2025

Members of the Public Present

Mr and Mrs Crane-Lees
Mr Filipczak-Korczak
Mr and Mrs Graham
Mr M Parkinson
Mr C Proctor
Mr and Mrs Shannon

Bray Village Hall		
Management Accounts for the 12 months to	31/03/2025	31/03/2024
INCOME		
Casual	13110	12941
Permanent	12447	11732
Total Rental Income	25557	24673
Dances/Functions/Fund raising	14577	7638
Bar	2900	2400
Sundry		205
Grants	1433	2610
Interest	153	
Total Income	44620	37526
EXPENDITURE		
Electricity	3424	985
Gas	1662	1900
Water	1415	1040
Telephone	695	652
postage/stationery	160	170
Repairs/Maintenance	22676	12913
Cleaner	4020	4030
Rates/Insurance	1623	1584
Advertising		
Broadband	126	503
Fund Raising	7920	3499
Sundries	2726	2439
Letting officer	2460	2400
Total Expenditure	48907	32115
Surplus/(Deficit)	-4287	5411
Bank Balance	23599	27886

22/23 Breakdown of Repair and Maint

11/04/22 Berkshire Home Improvements	Windows deposit	£1,471.50
12/04/22 Paul Smith	S/F Cellar door and remedial work	£961.63
27/04/22 Paul Smith	Bar doors internal + external	£2,505.00
28/04/22 Veolia	Bin	£101.76
18/05/22 Excel Flooring	Bar Floor panels	£2,636.84
30/05/22 Veolia	Bin	£64.85
30/05/22 Paul Smith	To fit Bar Floor	£4,312.00
07/06/22 Berkshire Home Improvements	Windows	£4,414.50
28/06/22 Veolia	Bin	£68.63
28/07/22 Veolia	Bin	£94.56
03/08/22 Paul Smith	S/f kitchen door, Bar Fan work + painting	£1,355.00
30/08/22 Veolia	Bin	£84.20
12/09/22 Paul Smith	Restoration of Window frames	£2,174.00
28/09/22 Veolia	Bin	£1.92
28/10/22 Veolia	Bin	£61.56
28/01/23 Veolia	Bin	£62.81
28/12/23 Veolia	Bin	£83.58
10/01/23 Chubb	Service	£299.70
30/01/23 Veolia	Bin	£61.66
20/02/23 S Durrant	Elec Repair	£35.00
28/02/23 Veolia	Bin	£69.12
03/03/23 Paul Smith	Bar Redecoration	£935.00
28/03/23 Veolia	Bin	£77.78
28/03/23 Four Seasons Amenitys	Tarmacing Courtyard	£4,740.00
28/03/23 Paul Smith	Gates/Fencing	£750.00
Contribution towards the Bins		-£435.00
Total		£26,987.60

22/23 Breakdown of Sundries

03/05/22	Keys	£19.80
30/05/22	Keys, Hand Towels Toilet Rolls	£137.98
28/06/22	Paper, Bin Bags	£33.36
04/07/22	Web hosting site	£68.00
30/08/22	Piano Tuner, Bleach, Hand Towels, Toilet Rolls	£107.67
09/09/22	Printing	£50.00
26/09/22	Bar tables and Stools	£359.94
30/09/22	Diary, Bleach, Paper Towels, open evening drinks	£151.99
31/10/22	Bleach	£5.25
24/11/22	RBWM Premises licence	£70.00
28/11/22	Toilet Rolls, Paper Towels, Printing, Tea Urn, Gifts	£200.29
05/12/22	Xmas Tree	£70.00
05/12/22	Shot Glasses	£56.17
05/12/22	Bowls, storage boxes for kitchen, cluster lights	£189.55
05/12/22	Kitchen items	£52.19
08/12/22	Prints and frames	£156.40
20/12/22	Toilet Rolls, Lock, Xmas gifts + vouchers	£131.99
12/01/23	Door Handle	£26.12
30/01/23	Hand Towels, soap, bags, Trustees Meal, Rad screen	£354.93
06/02/23	Cutlery and storage boxes	£90.80
22/02/23	Cushions, + covers, sample paint lights for the Bar	£264.99
27/02/23	Fridge, Bar Camera, Toilet Rolls, bleach, batterys	£298.28
10/03/23	Bar floor lamps, tea lights large cushions	£245.81
20/03/23	Cushions + plastic container	£33.68
27/03/23	Keys + wi-fi booster	£44.49
28/03/23	Hand towels, toilet rolls, mouse trap	£100.13
		£3,319.81

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Village Hall at Bray

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Village Hall at Bray for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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:

GlynisLCrane-Lees

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FCA BFP Chartered Accountant

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Date:

24 September 2025

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England & Wales - Charity number 300131

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Annual General Meeting Of the Trustees Bray Village Hall

Thursday 5th September 2024

1. Attendance

Trustees Present:

- Ian Jenkins - Chairman
- Mike Charleton – Deputy Chairman/Treasurer
- Suzanne Cross – Borough/Parish Councilor
- Joanne Filipczak-Korczak Parish Councilor
- Richard Bailey
- Melanie Gordon

Apologies:

- Amanda Proctor, Emma Carroll-Fraser
- BVH Auditor

Secretary – Sheena Jenkins

Members of the Public Present - Nil

2. Chairman's Report

This year has seen the Hall re-established as 'the centre for the community,' principally through the highly successful (if exhausting!) centenary event, regular bar opening, hosting the village's evening event for the King's Coronation, running two very successful markets for our local businesses and opening for Christmas Eve and Boxing Day. The Hall also opened on New Year's Day to run a 'Survivors' Brunch,' assisted by staff from the Hinds Head. The centenary embraced running five events in one day, embracing a children's play, drinks for friends of the Hall, the re-dedication of the Hall by the Rt Hon Theresa May MP and writer/artist Frieda Hughes, a senior citizens tea party, book reading by Frieda and evening fancy dress party/fund raiser.

That said, keeping that focus as the community's centre remains challenging, given the increasing costs of utilities, the need to upgrade more of the Hall's facilities and seeing more consistent and higher quality service and offering from the current bar team. We will need to seek corporate and more regular local sponsorship if we are to achieve our ambition within the next two years.

3. BVH's Treasurers report for the year ending 31/03/2024

The year has been a busy one for the hall with more fund-raising events held than usual, one reason being the celebration of our centenary in July, together with rental income being up 20%. The result being total income generated of £37256 against £29053 for the previous 12 months. Expenditure was down at £32115 against £46735 for the previous 12 months.

The end result being a surplus of £5411 against a deficit of £17682 the previous year.

The bank balance increased from £22476 to £27886 for the same period last year.

Letting revenue together with fundraising is still looking good for the current 12 months;; estimates of revenue and expenditure should be similar.

The financial auditor had reviewed our accounts and no major anomalies or findings were reported. The report and accounts were being submitted to the Charity Commission.

4. House Chair's Report

Main works up until end March comprised:

- Installation of much needed air conditioning in both the bar room and bar cellar.
- Refurbishment of main hall air conditioning.
- Temporary installation of Skynet superfast broadband as a trial.
- Installation of 8 x lines for the dispensing of lagers/ales.
- Refurbishment of courtyard fencing and gates, plus seeing new tarmacadam laid.
- Repair/repainting of window frames and external kitchen door on the Terrace facing exterior.
- Managing the bamboo infestation from the Terrace.
- Repainting the main hall interior and sanding/varnishing the dance floor.

Looking ahead, major maintenance will be required next year on the bar room electrical system, external security lighting, plus hall soffits, fascias and main doors. Currently, there are no major health & safety issues, pending work on the power supply (see below) though action was taken to deal with mice in the kitchen/main hall during the Winter/Spring.

Lastly, it was realised that the hall has a second mains power supply that surfaces in, and services, the bar room/bar, and that its meter comprised of old 1950's technology and has not been read for some time. We are in the process of trying to identify its ownership to both see it upgraded and correctly read and pay for power usage.

5. Fundraising Officer's Report

Two main fund raisers held were a wine tasting evening and silent auction on 2nd October (raised £1388) and a Christmas Ceildh/silent auction (raising £1746). We were also successful in securing a £1500 grant from the parish council towards the cost of new main doors and courtyard refurbishment. Another grant will be sought in the coming year.

6. Health and Safety Report

There were no notable outstanding health & safety issues from the previous year and annual fire safety checks had been completed. We will be completing annual electricity and appliance testing as soon as the mains power issue has been rationalised and updated.

7. Election of Committee and Officers

Emma Carroll-Fraser was to take a year off for maternity and has stood-down, as had Clare Stuart-Adams (work pressures). All other existing Committee Members and Officers stood down and the following were then re-elected with roles as follows:

- Chairman – Ian Jenkins
- Dep Chairman/Treasurer – Mike Charleton
- Richard Bailey – Sponsorship/Fund Raising
- Melanie Gordon – Bar Team Management
- Suzanne Cross – Borough Council/PC Rep
- Joanna Filipczak-Korczak – PC Rep & Events Planner
- Amanda Proctor - Kitchen and Food Hygiene Management

Additionally, Sheena Jenkins was appointed as a Trustee with the role of Secretariat and Ops Support.

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Sundry	205	503
Grants	2610	2000
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Electricity	985	875
Gas	1900	1776
Water	1040	3751
Telephone	652	582
postage/stationery	170	132
Repairs/Maintenance	12913	26987
Cleaner	4030	3320
Rates/Insurance	1584	1678
Advertising		
Broadband	503	382
Fund Raising	3499	1742
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Accounts

Annual General Meeting Of the Trustees of Bray Village Hall

Tuesday, 8th August 2023

Trustees Present:

- Ian Jenkins - Chairman
- Mike Charleton – Deputy Chairman/Treasurer
- Suzanne Cross – Parish and Borough Councillor
- Richard Bailey
- Joanna Filipczak-Korczak – Parish Councillor
- Melanie Gordon

Members of the Public Present:

- Two Bray Parishioners were present (also the Hall's financial auditors).

1. Apologies

Trustee Linda Saunders asked to stand-down ahead of the AGM as she had recently changed employment and would struggle to find the time to continue at the Hall.

One other was absent and it was determined did not want to stand again.

2. Chairman's Report

In sum, our aims this past year were to return to regular fund-raising events, maximise use of the (now) available space for hiring, seeing more and enhanced use of the hall by local residents and to re-build our financial position, both to meet other, planned maintenance and have sufficient contingency to operate in the event of an unseen impact on finances. We are also looking to mark the Hall's Centenary this year, recruit new management committee members and re-balance work-sharing to manage the Hall. Pleasingly, we have been largely successful on all counts.

Regular bar opening twice a week from 6pm for local residents has become established now, despite having had to swap-out our bar management team twice, once as the first left to a busier role, and the second occasion in March, when the replacement team decided that they could no longer cope. The current incumbents already run an established bar and social club in Maidenhead and we hope to work with them to continue develop both bar offering and utilization in the year ahead, especially since local commercial alternatives remain expensive and continue to reduce their opening times and availability.

The Hall was the afternoon and evening focal point for the Village's very successful 'HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee event, hosting a well-supported evening of 'Tarts & tipples' where all of Bray's 'Michelin starred' and other restaurants produced quiches to feed everyone.

Lastly, we are now seeking to push-on with plans to see the Hall established as a 'community hub,' offering everyday opening and facilities for residents to meet, take refreshments and network, over and above our hosting of regular hirers such as the Bray pre-school, Brownies and other groups. The bar room lends itself to this and we have the support of the Parish Council to see this become a reality, albeit it will need careful funding, good marketing and more intelligent use of our available space. A Land Registry search also confirmed Hall ownership of some of the adjacent land previously thought to belong to the Parish Council and that can be put to use in good weather to support seating/tables adjacent to the bar and certain hall functions.

Finally, it has been rewarding to see more local residents wishing to get involved and support both the Hall and help with events. This augurs well for our plans and we will look to extend and broaden our representation further at both Trustee and volunteer level over the coming year.

3. BVH's Treasurers report for the year ending 31/03/2023

The year saw a return to normal fundraising activities after the previous years of lockdowns, with the result being income generated of £29053 against £22027 for the previous 12 months including income from two notable fund raisers. Expenditure was up at £46735 against £17095, a large part of this being the comprehensive redecoration and refurbishment of the Bar room in May - August 2022 albeit rising utility charges also saw a total increase in operating costs from some £8,000 to £12,000 per annum.

The end result saw an annual deficit of £17682 against a surplus of £4932 the previous year.

The bank balance decreased from £40161 to £22476 for the same period last year.

Letting revenue together with fundraising is looking strong for the current 12 months and we estimate revenue and expenditure to be similar.

4. House Chair's Report

Main works up until end March have been:

- Refurbishment of the lavatories, bar room, external door replacement and 9 x new windows.
- Refurbishment and redecoration of the bar room.
- Replacement of courtyard tarmac, removal of bamboo infestation and refurbishment of the external fencing.
- Kitchen drainage, main hall/kitchen window frames

Pending works for the coming year (subject to affordability) include main, rear escape door replacement/repair, internal painting of the Main Hall lower wall area/radiators and repair to fascias and gutters.

5. Fundraising Officer's Report

Two main fund raisers held were a wine tasting evening and silent auction on 2nd October (raised £1388) and a Christmas Ceildh/silent auction (raising £1746). We were also successful in securing a £1500 grant from the parish council towards the cost of new main doors and courtyard refurbishment. Another grant will be sought in the coming year.

6. Health and Safety Report

There were no notable outstanding health & safety issues from the previous year.

7. Election of Committee and Officers

All existing Committee Members and Officers stood down and the following were elected from the previous Trustees and those standing for election for the first time:

- All those shown as 'present' above were proposed and re-elected in roles as listed.
- Two new Trustees - Clare Stuart-Adams and Amanda Proctor.

Additional roles were also allocated embracing corporate sponsorship, land/garden management, functions, marketing and bar room décor.

8. Trustees Declaration

The AGM ended at 7:45pm. The Trustees are satisfied that this record correctly reflects the position of the Hall and its management at the time of meeting.

I P Jenkins

Chairman
Bray Village Hall Trustees

Bray Village Hall		
Management Accounts for the 12 months to	31/03/2023	31/03/2022
INCOME		
Casual	8620	9623
Permanent	11696	10959
Total Rental Income	20316	20582
Dances/Functions	4876	
Snooker Meter	138	565
Bar	1220	330
Sundry	503	550
Grants	2000	
Total Income	29053	22027
EXPENDITURE		
Electricity	875	506
Gas	1776	885
Water	3751	5
Telephone	582	548
postage/stationery	132	64
Repairs/Maintenance	26987	5931
Cleaner	3320	3320
Rates/Insurance	1678	1338
Advertising		55
Broadband	382	368
Fund Raising	1742	
Sundries	3320	2205
Letting officer	2190	1870
Total Expenditure	46735	17095
Surplus/(Deficit)	-17682	4932
Bank Balance	22476	40161

22/23 Breakdown of Repair and Maint

11/04/22 Berkshire Home Improvements	Windows deposit	£1,471.50
12/04/22 Paul Smith	S/F Cellar door and remedial work	£961.63
27/04/22 Paul Smith	Bar doors internal + external	£2,505.00
28/04/22 Veolia	Bin	£101.76
18/05/22 Excel Flooring	Bar Floor panels	£2,636.84
30/05/22 Veolia	Bin	£64.85
30/05/22 Paul Smith	To fit Bar Floor	£4,312.00
07/06/22 Berkshire Home Improvements	Windows	£4,414.50
28/06/22 Veolia	Bin	£68.63
28/07/22 Veolia	Bin	£94.56
03/08/22 Paul Smith	S/f kitchen door, Bar Fan work + painting	£1,355.00
30/08/22 Veolia	Bin	£84.20
12/09/22 Paul Smith	Restoration of Window frames	£2,174.00
28/09/22 Veolia	Bin	£1.92
28/10/22 Veolia	Bin	£61.56
28/01/23 Veolia	Bin	£62.81
28/12/23 Veolia	Bin	£83.58
10/01/23 Chubb	Service	£299.70
30/01/23 Veolia	Bin	£61.66
20/02/23 S Durrant	Elec Repair	£35.00
28/02/23 Veolia	Bin	£69.12
03/03/23 Paul Smith	Bar Redecoration	£935.00
28/03/23 Veolia	Bin	£77.78
28/03/23 Four Seasons Amenitys	Tarmacing Courtyard	£4,740.00
28/03/23 Paul Smith	Gates/Fencing	£750.00
Contribution towards the Bins		-£435.00
Total		£26,987.60

22/23 Breakdown of Sundries

03/05/22	Keys	£19.80
30/05/22	Keys, Hand Towels Toilet Rolls	£137.98
28/06/22	Paper, Bin Bags	£33.36
04/07/22	Web hosting site	£68.00
30/08/22	Piano Tuner, Bleach, Hand Towels, Toilet Rolls	£107.67
09/09/22	Printing	£50.00
26/09/22	Bar tables and Stools	£359.94
30/09/22	Diary, Bleach, Paper Towels, open evening drinks	£151.99
31/10/22	Bleach	£5.25
24/11/22	RBWM Premises licence	£70.00
28/11/22	Toilet Rolls, Paper Towels, Printing, Tea Urn, Gifts	£200.29
05/12/22	Xmas Tree	£70.00
05/12/22	Shot Glasses	£56.17
05/12/22	Bowls, storage boxes for kitchen, cluster lights	£189.55
05/12/22	Kitchen items	£52.19
08/12/22	Prints and frames	£156.40
20/12/22	Toilet Rolls, Lock, Xmas gifts + vouchers	£131.99
12/01/23	Door Handle	£26.12
30/01/23	Hand Towels, soap, bags, Trustees Meal, Rad screen	£354.93
06/02/23	Cutlery and storage boxes	£90.80
22/02/23	Cushions, + covers, sample paint lights for the Bar	£264.99
27/02/23	Fridge, Bar Camera, Toilet Rolls, bleach, batterys	£298.28
10/03/23	Bar floor lamps, tea lights large cushions	£245.81
20/03/23	Cushions + plastic container	£33.68
27/03/23	Keys + wi-fi booster	£44.49
28/03/23	Hand towels, toilet rolls, mouse trap	£100.13
		£3,319.81

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Village Hall at Bray

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Village Hall at Bray for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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:

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Date:

20 October 2023

