

SOUTH BRENT VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 300970

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1970-12-09

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

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Activities

Objects: VILLAGE HALL

Activities: Running a Community building on edge of Dartmoor in the South Hams. Large main hall with full stage facilities, lighting and sound and loop system, side hall which can be used as a bar(licence available) excellent kitchen and committee room, full toilet facilities,all on ground floor. Upstairs meeting room (lift access) with small kitchen. Sports and all kinds of functions catered for.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** PARISH OF SOUTH BRENT
- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£32,911	£30,448	-	-
2024-03-31	£33,238	£32,951	-	-
2023-03-31	£26,525	£24,325	-	-
2022-03-31	£17,872	£18,779	-	-
2021-03-31	£14,872	£24,186	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CATHIE PANNELL	Chair	
Alan Rupert Ford Prince		2024-11-08
David Thomas Fidoe		2026-05-12
Dr William Nolan		2020-03-10
Gregory Lloyd Wall		2014-03-03
John Shepherd MR		2024-05-28
PATRICK POLLAK		2013-07-15
Susan Angela Astal-Stain		2025-09-23
Valerie Meek Mrs		2024-05-28

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Chairman's Report for the AGM of South Brent Village Hall 2024-25

Once again welcome to the AGM of the Village Hall.

The Hall continues to thrive. Bookings are excellent, both by regular hirers and one off hirings. The users are almost unanimous in their appreciation of our Hall and its facilities, particularly the condition and cleanliness of the building. Much of this is due to the hard work of our Caretaker, George Watson and his assistant, Steve Jones. My grateful thanks are, as always, due to them and to the members of the Trustee Committee. Sue Astal-Stain has rejoined us, as the Parish Council representative, following the resignation of Katie Armstrong. We hope to be able to sign up another member in the near future. The trustees, as always, would welcome new members to help with the task of running the Hall.

Our financial situation has improved since the dark days of Covid, but there is no room for complacency, we still have to pay our way and set aside funds for repairs and renewals. The Hall is in a sound condition both physically and financially, for which we are grateful to everyone. We changed our power supplier, during the year, having sourced a better rate. There was a possibility that we would have to register for trade waste, particularly recycling, but as we have less than 10 employees, this proved not to be the case. The Solar panels continue to provide very useful income. Our problem with alarm call outs is fixed, we hope, and various electrical problems has also been attended to. John Shepherd will give you a fuller picture when we discuss the Finances under the next item.

During the year we appointed SJR Services, a local company, as our bookkeepers. This decision was made to simplify matters for the Trustees. They now deal with matters to do with payroll, with our Treasurer, having been working on our behalf with matters related to HMRC. They are now also our Auditors. Geoff Addy who had for many years acted in this capacity, decided to retire after last year's AGM. This arrangement has proved to be very beneficial to the smooth running of the Hall's finances.

Discussions have started with others who run Community Buildings in the Village, to see if there are ways we can work together for the common good. I am attending a meeting to-morrow at the Old School Centre hosted by South Hams Village Hall Cluster Group, at which future collaboration is likely to be discussed, so, watch this space.

This report covers the period up to the end of March this year, so several items which have happened since then will not be reported until next year's AGM.

Once again thank you for your attendance this evening and your ongoing support of the Village Hall.

Cathie Pannell. Chair.

**SOUTH BRENT VILLAGE HALL
REGISTERED CHARITY NO 300970**

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Independent Examiner's Report

I report on the accounts for the above year as set out on the attached financial statements:

1. Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2025 showing a total surplus of £2,463
2. Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2025 showing Net Funds of £21,248

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by South Brent Village Hall and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and I have sought explanations where necessary and appropriate.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out below,

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the need:
 - (a) to keep reasonable accounting records, and,
 - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records,

have not been met, or,

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Sarah Reynolds

Date: 8 October 2025

SOUTH BRENT VILLAGE HALL - REGISTERED CHARITY NO 300970

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		
GENERAL		
Income		
Rental	31887	30616
Donations	60	160
Miscellaneous	198	1508
Solar Panel Feed In	<u>766</u>	<u>954</u>
	32911	33238
Expenditure		
Gross Wages	10482	15328
Casual Labour	<u>1270</u>	<u>0</u>
	11752	15328
General Running Costs		
Premises Repairs	7123	5306
Heat Light Power	3437	6004
Water Rates	918	0
Waste Removal	668	0
Equipment Repairs & Renewals	678	0
Housekeeping Services	1230	2683
Housekeeping Supplies	853	0
Insurance	1773	1549
Licences	751	220
Telephone and Broadband	587	931
Print Post Stationery	260	0
Data Protection	0	0
Accountancy	<u>418</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>18696</u>	<u>16693</u>
	2463	1217
GRANTS & FUNDRAISING		
Income		
Fundraising	0	0
	0	0
Expenses		
Fundraising	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	0	0
Surplus/(Deficit) - Unrestricted Funds	£ <u>2463</u>	<u>1217</u>

SOUTH BRENT VILLAGE HALL - REGISTERED CHARITY NO 300970

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
ASSETS		
Hall Fixtures & Fittings	2526	2526
Stock	100	100
Debtors	0	0
Bank Balances	16984	16159
Prepayments	<u>2460</u>	<u>0</u>
	22070	18785
LIABILITIES		
Creditors	22	0
Accruals	<u>800</u>	<u>0</u>
	822	0
Net Funds	<u><u>21248</u></u>	<u><u>18785</u></u>

NET FUNDS REPRESENTED BY

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Unrestricted Funds		
Opening Balance	18785	17568
Surplus (Deficit) In Year	2463	1217
Transfers to Restricted Funds	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	21248	18785
Total	<u><u>21248</u></u>	<u><u>18785</u></u>

Approved By:

Chris Pannell

Chairman

Chris Pannell

Secretary

Date:

04 OCT 25

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Chairman's Report for the AGM of South Brent Village Hall 2023-2024

As I am sure you are all aware, due to the resignation of John Gaskin, as our Chairman and of Sue Gaskin, our Secretary, earlier this year, due to ill health, I took over as Chairman and Greg Wall as Secretary. Due to these circumstances, this report is from the time when John was Chairman, so I will do my best to catch you up, as well as I can, for the year from April 2023 to March 2024.

Because of various circumstances, we did not meet as often as previously during the year, but the Hall continued to flourish. Much of this was due to the hard work of our Caretaker, George Watson and his assistant, Steve Jones. Thanks, are as always due to the members of the Trustee Committee. Special mention must be made of John Shepherd, who, though not a Trustee at that time, worked so hard to keep our bookings up to date and did so many other duties.

We started the year with an Electrical Inspection, which covered all areas of the Hall, this is a costly exercise and SBADS generously contributed to the bill. We were plagued with several false alarms on our Fire Alarm system, but these were eventually traced and the problem solved. We also finally received, much to our relief, confirmation from SWW following the leak, that we would not have to pay the bill, which you may remember, amounted to £7,000! Needless to say, we now monitor the meter very carefully.

Services and Utility bills have continued to increase, but it is hoped that these will even out over the year. Our financial situation has improved since the rather dark days of Covid, but there is no room for complacency, we still have to pay our way and set aside funds for repairs and renewals.

Due to sickness over the winter period no meeting was held between September and January, but Trustees kept in touch via email and phone. Discussions were held with the Dramatic Society over several matters including Insurance and storage issues.

It was decided that toilet paper dispensers should be fitted, as the Hall was still using far more paper than would seem necessary. This helped to solve the problem! As ever the Annual Return to the Charity Commission took many hours to complete. It shouldn't be too complicated, but it always seems to be.

I'm sure there are other matters that could be mentioned, but they are all dealt with by the Trustees and our Caretakers, with help if needed from others. The Hall is in a sound condition both physically and financially, for

which we are grateful to everyone. Our thanks go to John and Sue Gaskin for all the service they gave to the Village Hall.

Cathie Pannell. Chair. 17th September 2024

South Brent Village Hall
Registered Charity No: 300970
Financial Report For 12 months Ended 31st March 2024

Revenue Account	Year Ended 31/03/2024	Year Ended 31/03/2023
Income		
Hire	30,616.02	21,973.21
Donations	160.00	130.00
Solar Panel Income	953.70	1,599.87
Grants	0.00	0.00
Interest Received	0.00	168.25
Miscellaneous Income	1,507.84	2,654.07
Total	33,237.56	26,525.40
Expenditure		
Administration	931.04	906.18
Maintenance	4,802.08	4,606.95
Supplies	2,715.45	1,183.81
Licences	220.00	1,668.87
Services & Utilities	6,004.35	4,244.82
Insurance	1,548.80	1,615.55
Wages/Tax	16,729.04	10,099.00
Total	32,950.76	24,325.18
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	286.80	2,200.22

South Brent Village Hall
Registered Charity No: 300970
Financial Report For 12 months Ended 31st March 2024

Balance Sheets as at 31st March	2024	2023
Current Assets		
Hall fixtures and fittings	2,526.00	2,526.00
Stock	100.00	100.00
Debtors	0.00	0.00
Lloyds Bank Account	15,228.99	14,942.19
	17,854.99	17,568.19
Current Liabilities		
Potential Liability	0.00	3,000.00
Net Assets	17,854.99	14,568.19
Represented by		
Accumulated Fund B/Fwd	17,568.19	15,367.97
Revenue surplus/(deficit) for the year	286.80	2,200.22
Potential Liability	0.00	-3,000.00
Change in Fixed Assets	0.00	0.00
	17,854.99	14,568.19

Treasurer Signed

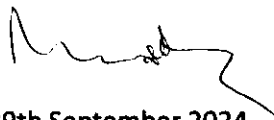
Date

Chair Signed

Date

Audit By Name J. G. Addy ACMA (Retired)
6 New Orchard, South Brent TQ10 9DL

Signature



Date

29th September 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

South Brent Village Hall

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

300970

Set out on pages

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**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

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 (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: 29th September
2024

Name:

John Geoffrey Addy

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

A C M A (Retired)

Address:

Brook View Cottage

6 New Orchard

South Brent Devon TQ10 9DL

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.

Accounts

South Brent Village Hall
Registered Charity No: 300970
Financial Report For 12 months Ended 31st March 2023

Revenue Account	Year Ended 31/03/2023	Year Ended 31/03/2022
Income		
Hire	21,973.21	17,867.50
Donations	130.00	0.00
Solar Panel Income	1,599.87	861.77
Grants	0.00	500.00
Interest Received	168.25	4.35
Miscellaneous Income	2,654.07	0.00
Total	26,525.40	19,233.62
Expenditure		
Administration	906.18	0.00
Maintenance	4,606.95	2,025.31
Supplies	1,183.81	2,078.82
Licences	1,668.87	760.42
Services & Utilities	4,244.82	2,450.47
Insurance	1,615.55	1,301.29
Wages/Tax	10,099.00	10,163.00
Total	24,325.18	18,779.31
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	2,200.22	454.31

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Registered Charity No: 300970
Financial Report For 12 months Ended 31st March 2023

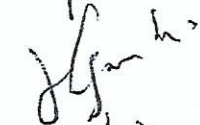
Balance Sheets as at 31st March	2023	2022
Current Assets		
Hall fixtures and fittings	2,526.00	2,526.00
Stock	100.00	100.00
Debtors	0.00	0.00
Lloyds Account	14,942.19	2,454.63
COIF Account (Closed)	0.00	10,287.34
	17,568.19	15,367.97
Current Liabilities		
Potential Liability	3,000.00	2,500.00
Net Assets	14,568.19	12,867.97

Represented by

Accumulated Fund B/Fwd	15,367.97
Revenue surplus/deficit for the year	2,200.22
Potential Liability	-3,000.00
Change in Fixed Assets	0.00
	14,568.19

Treasurer Signed 

Date 12/09.23.

Chair Signed 

Date 12/9/23

Audit By Name J. G. Addy ACMA (Retired)
6 New Orchard, South Brent TQ10 9DL

Signature



Date 8th September 2023

Combined Chairman & Treasurer AGM Report 2022/23

We have been in very interesting times! We received a water bill of over £7000 due to an undiscovered leak. We later found that the leak was on the pipe feeding the church yard tap. After negotiations with the water supply company the offending pipe was isolated and a leak allowance eventually achieved. The allowance covered the excess on our water bill. I am afraid that the Hall and its services are showing their age, a sewer blockage and a storm drain blockage have had to be professionally and expensively dealt with. The storm drain blockage has caused some damage to SBADS costumes which are stored in the basement, steps have been taken to prevent a re-occurrence.

There were several false fire alarms from the smoke detector in the Scout Room. This was thought to be caused by an aroma coming from some coconut mats, although we could not be totally sure about this. It was decided to replace the smoke detector with a 'rate of heat rise' detector. This seems to have solved the problem.

I would like to thank both George and Steve for keeping the Hall looking so clean and tidy. We have had many remarks from the hirers saying how much they appreciate their hard work. I would also like to thank the committee members for their continued support throughout the year.

Finance

Income

As you can see from the accounts 2022-23 was a good year.

Hire income up by £4000.

Solar panel income double the previous year!

Bank interest up.

Miscellaneous income up. (Tea dance.)

Expenditure

Administration up.

Maintenance up, due to 5 yearly electrical inspection and repairs.

Supplies down, mainly due to Covid stock.

Licenses up (?)

Service and utilities up. (power and water bills increased)

Insurance up, although no claim made!

Wages/tax no change.

I would like to propose special thanks to our auditor, Geoff Addy, for working with us during this year.

The Hall has survived Covid, we are back to normal operation.

John Gaskin - Chairman



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

SOUTH BRENT VILLAGE HALL

On accounts for the year
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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:

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Signed:

Date:

8 / 9 / 2023

Name:

JOHN GEOFFREY ADDY

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

A.C.M.A. (RETIRED)

(if any):

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SOUTH BRENT DEVON TR10 9DL

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