

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

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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

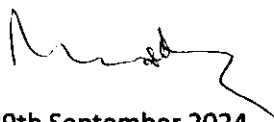
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Chair Signed

Date

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

Signature



Date

29th September 2024



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

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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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.