

YELVERTON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 301025

Details

Other names	WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND, YELVERTON WAR MEMORIAL HALL
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1962-08-09
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL AND RECREATION GROUND FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF YELVERTON AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD THEREOF WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL OR RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS INCLUDING USE FOR MEETINGS LECTURES AND CLASSES AND FOR OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE OF THE SAID INHABITANTS

Activities: Provision & maintenance of a village hall and recreation ground for the use of the inhabitants of Yelverton and the surrounding neighbourhood.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** YELVERTON
- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£44,268	£19,708	-	-
2024-12-31	£22,945	£27,679	-	-
2023-12-31	£23,298	£38,370	-	-
2022-12-31	£23,678	£37,503	-	-
2021-12-31	£34,871	£14,936	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALASTAIR CLARK CUNNINGHAM		2024-03-26
CHRISTOPHER DOUGLAS WEBBER		2020-08-04
HELEN FORD		2019-03-26
Ian Mulholland		2021-08-05
JENNIFER LOUISE COLLINS		2023-12-19
JOSIE LOUISE GENTLE		2023-12-19
John Bowler		2024-06-04
Lynda Williams		2025-01-25
Michael Pike		2025-03-25
NINA MARGARET CUNNINGHAM		2024-03-26
TONY SAMUEL		

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Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field

and Village Hall Trust

Annual Report for 2025-26

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Names of Trustees

Mrs H Ford	Chairman	
Mr A C Cunningham	Vice-Chairman/Secretary	
Mr J. A. Samuel	Treasurer	
Mrs N M Cunningham	Booking Secretary	
Mrs H. O'Neill		Resigned 03/06/2025
Mr J. A. Boston		Resigned 25/03/2025
Mr J Bowler		
Mrs J L Gentle	(Penmoor Nursery)	
Mrs J L Collins	(Penmoor Nursery)	
Mr C. D. Webber	(Yelverton Tennis Club)	
Mrs L. Williams	(Yelverton Open Group)	Appointed 25/01/2025
Mrs S. Aspley	(Yelverton Open Group)	Resigned 24/01/2025
Mr I. Mulholland	(Horrabridge Rangers Sports Assoc.)	
Mr M. R. Pike	(Yelverton Bowling Club)	Appointed 25/03/2025
Mr P. Collins	(Yelverton Bowling Club)	Resigned 25/03/2025

The organisations above are entitled to appoint trustees.

All the above changes have been registered with the Charity Commission.

As the following report shows, the Trustees have continued to fulfil their obligation to the community of Yelverton by maintaining and improving the village hall and recreation field.

Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field & Village Hall Trust
Chairman's Report for the year to 31st December 2025

General overview

This has been a busy year with a good level of regular and one-off bookings.

During the summer the premises were broken into and the tractor stolen. This was frustrating but the response was a good joint effort with an initial response from Penmoor Nursery and the Bowling Club and our Treasurer dealing with the insurance claim with support from Horrabridge Rangers. Replacement of the tractor and arranging suitable storage for it is ongoing.

It had been intended that the ladies' toilets would be partially refurbished in 2025 with the remaining toilets to be done at a future date once funds permitted. But Tony, Nina and I put together an application to the West Devon Borough Council Community Halls Grant Team for co-funding towards refurbishing all the toilets. We were awarded £8500 which will supplement our own funds and another grant of £4000. Although the application process meant a delay, the result is that we can now fully refurbish all the toilets. The work is booked in for April 2026.

We are participating in an initiative started this year by Devon Communities Together which has brought together village halls in West Devon at meetings to share experiences, ideas and knowledge.

Hall Usage

The hall continues to be well-used by local groups and residents as a venue for a wide range of social activities, fundraising and meetings as well as events open to members of the public such as the annual Yelverton Art Festival. All parts of the premises are in regular use, including the field. This means however that parking can be a source of frustration.

Thanks are owed to our Bookings Secretary Nina, who is the point of contact for everyone using the hall and who has had a busy year. I'm in no doubt that the increased level of bookings in 2025 is due in no small part to Nina.

Field

Horrabridge Rangers (HRSA) continue to use the field for junior matches, and I'd like to thank them for their work maintaining the field. I'm also grateful to HRSA for their support in dealing with the aftermath of the tractor theft.

The field is used for Car Boot Sales during the summer months and as it was a mostly warm and dry summer, most planned boot sales did take place.

Building Maintenance

Thanks are due to our Vice Chair Alastair who deals with maintenance issues, sometimes at very short notice. I'd also like to recognise what a positive difference Penny has made since she took over the cleaning of the hall - a busy job requiring flexibility when the hall is so busy.

Future Plans

In 2026 we will continue to focus on maintenance, health and safety and identifying possible improvements to the facilities, subject to funding. We will arrange another 'Friends of the Hall' day in the Spring

Tenants

Thanks are due to Yelverton Tennis Club and Yelverton Bowling Club for taking good care of the grounds around their club premises. Their representatives on the committee are supportive and helpful, which is very welcome.

Penmoor Nursery

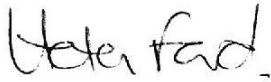
The nursery is well-regarded and we're pleased to have them as tenants. As the people who spend more time in the hall than anyone else, Josie and Jen are able to quickly identify and bring to our attention matters that need dealing with which is very helpful. Thanks are also due for the range of ways they assist the hall.

This year, we agreed that Penmoor could hire the meeting room for their sole use during term time.

Summary

Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field & Village Hall Trust covers a range of premises and is well-used so it is inevitable that issues will arise such as frustrations over competing demands for parking. But I think it's worth recognising that this year has demonstrated the willingness of everyone on the committee to help out and support each other, particularly when there are problems such as the break-in. I hope that this year's report highlights the ways in which everyone contributes towards keeping the hall and grounds running. Thank you.

Helen Ford
2025 Chair



Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field and Village Hall Trust

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

	2025	2024
INCOME	£	£
Regular and Occasional Bookings	10,579	9,018
Rent - Penmoor Nursery	10,741	9,392
Rent - Yelverton Tennis Club	1,550	1,380
Rent - Yelverton Bowling Club	1,300	1,160
Rent - Horrabridge Rangers SA	450	450
Fund Raising — Car Boot Sales — net	891	788
Bank Interest	629	751
Donations etc.	131	6
Insurance Claim	17,997	0
Total Income	44,268	22,945
EXPENDITURE		
Insurance	1,330	1,164
Electricity	3,806	3,027
Water	345	761
Cleaning and caretaker	5,505	5,197
Waste Removal	1,528	1,335
Ground Maintenance	1,076	1,218
Hall Maintenance (incl. £2,202 external lighting)	2,592	5,687
Hygiene & Consumables	1,850	0
Administrative and Secretarial Expenses	265	287
Audit Fees	480	420
Advertising & Website	142	360
Improvements and Replacements	789	8,223
Total Expenditure	19,708	27,679
Surplus/(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure	24,560	(4,734)

YELVERTON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL TRUST

RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND BANK BALANCES

AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
CASH AT BANK & IN HAND — 1st JANUARY 2025		
Lloyds Bank Current Account	4,899	9,033
Charity Commission Deposit Account	15,000	15,000
Less: Returnable Deposit	(1,100)	(500)
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	18,799	23,533
Plus/(Less): Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	24,560	(4,734)
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BALANCE AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025	43,359	18,799

REPRESENTED BY:

CASH AT BANK & IN HAND — 31st DECEMBER 2025

Lloyds Bank Current Account	29,159	4,899
Charity Commission Deposit Account	15,000	15,000
Less: Returnable Deposits	(800)	(1,100)
BALANCE AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025	43,359	18,799

The accounts set out on Pages 4 to 6 have been approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by the Chairman, Mrs. H Ford.

H Ford
Date:

Helen Ford
31/3/26

YELVERTON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICY

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

2. STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

The Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field & Village Hall Trust owns the land set out in the Charity Commission Schedule sealed on the 25th of March 1991, and the hall subsequently built on that land, together with the fixtures and fittings and equipment, and the bank and cash balances set out on Page 6.

3. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025

There were no major capital commitments at 31st December 2025.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
YELVERTON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2025, which are set out on Pages 5 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is our responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

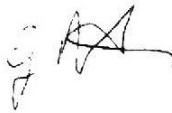
In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

1. which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
* to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act; and
* to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act.

have not been met; or

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

Name: **Graham Roberts FCA - Director**
Blackwell Bate Ltd.



Relevant professional qualification or body: **Chartered Accountants**

Address: **Brunel Court**
122 Fore Street
Saltash
Cornwall PL12 6JW

Date: 9/4/2026

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Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2024**

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Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field and Village Hall Trust

Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2024

Object of the Charity

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List of Trustees

Mr J. A. Boston	Chairman
Mrs H Ford	Booking secretary
Mr J. A. Samuel	Treasurer
Mr R. Herring	Resigned 26 March 2024
Mrs H. O'Neill	
Mr G. Roach	Resigned 3 June 2024
Mr A. C. Cunningham	Appointed 26 March 2024
Mrs N. M. Cunningham	Appointed 26 March 2024
Mr J Bowler	Appointed 4 June 2024
Mrs J L Gentle	Penmoor Nursery
Mrs J L Collins	Penmoor Nursery
Mr C. D. Webber	Yelverton Tennis Club
Mrs S. Aspley	Ladies Open Group
Mr I. Mulholland	Horrabridge Rangers Sports Association
Mr P. Collins	Yelverton Bowling Club

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Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field and Village Hall Trust

Chairman's Report for the year ended 31 December 2024

I am pleased to report that finances remain in good shape enabling us to continue the ongoing programme of improvements to the Hall & Field. During 2024 we spent £4,734 more than our income; this was due to significant capital expenditure. Notably we refurbished the wooden floor, improved the outside lighting and installed a new heating and ventilation system for the toilets. We have updated the website, which now includes an automated booking system that is much easier for anyone hiring the hall for special functions. We are now able to provide fast fibre broadband for the users of the hall.

Solar panels

During October 2023 we installed solar panels and battery storage. This cost us £16,585 after a Lottery Grant. 2024's results show that this reduces our electricity bills by approximately 30% despite us boosting the heating of the toilets.

Field Projects

Our ongoing thanks to Horrabridge Rangers for keeping the field & grounds in such good condition. Thanks also to the Tennis Club for maintaining the grass adjacent to the hard surface track from the lower gate up to the playing fields.

Tenants

Yelverton Bowling Club and Yelverton Tennis Club continue their sporting activities during the year, and they continue to be excellent tenants. We are pleased that the Tennis Club has extended its lease for a further 21 years, until 31 December 2045.

Car Boot Sales

Car boot sales continue to be held fortnightly in the summer months with the majority being managed by the Yelverton Bowling Club and some by the Rotary Club of Yelverton. 2024 was an improvement on the prior year as only 2 out of the 10 had to be cancelled due to bad weather.

Hall Usage - Bookings & Marketing

The hall is in frequent use during the week. Children's parties and other events are increasing year on year at the weekends.

Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field and Village Hall Trust

Chairman's Report for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

Penmoor Nursery Pre-School

We are delighted with the commitment and enthusiasm shown by Josie and Jen in their first year of running Penmoor.

"Friends of the Hall"

This group continues to meet to improve the facilities. Thank you to all concerned.

Plans for 2025

We intend to refurbish the ladies' toilets in early 2025, for which grants of £4,000 have already been committed. The intention is then to refurbish the disabled toilets, and then the men's toilets, as soon as funds permit.

Committee Membership

I will be stepping down as Chairman at the 2025 AGM and I am delighted that Helen Ford and Alastair Cunningham have agreed to replace me.

Finally, a big thank you to all committee members and Friends of the Hall for their help and support throughout the year. It has been a real pleasure for me to work with such a strong team, who have always shown unlimited enthusiasm.

Thank you.

John Boston

2024 Chairman

Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field and Village Hall Trust

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Income		
Regular and Occasional Bookings	9,018	9,658
Rent - Penmoor Nursery	9,392	9,269
Rent - Yelverton Tennis Club	1,380	1,380
Rent - Yelverton Bowling Club	1,160	1,160
Rent - Horrabridge Rangers SA	450	400
Fund Raising - Car Boot Sales - net	788	441
Bank Interest	751	984
Donations etc.	6	6
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Total Income	22,945	23,298
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Expenditure		
Insurance	1,164	1,132
Electricity	3,027	3,415
Water	761	1,361
Cleaning and caretaker	5,197	4,690
Waste Removal	1,335	1,225
Ground Maintenance	1,218	6,140
Hall Maintenance	5,687	2,724
Administrative and Secretarial Expenses	287	246
Audit Fees	420	420
Advertising & Website	360	432
Solar panel installation (net of £10,000 lottery grant)	-	16,585
Improvements: Hall Flooring	4,640	-
Improvements: Toilet heatings, etc (net of grant)	3,583	-
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Total Expenditure	27,679	38,370
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Deficit of expenditure over income	(4,734)	(15,072)
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Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field and Village Hall Trust

Reconciliation of Cash and Bank Balances as at 31 December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank and in hand brought forward		
Current account	9,033	13,955
Deposit account	15,000	25,000
Less: Returnable deposit	(500)	(350)
Net deficit for the year	(4,734)	(15,072)
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Balance at the year end	18,799	23,533
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Cash at bank and in hand carried forward		
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Less: Returnable deposit	(1,100)	(500)
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The accounts set out on pages 4 to 5 have been approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by the Chairman.

Mr J Boston

Date:

Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field and Village Hall Trust

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Name: Graham Roberts FCA – Director for and on behalf of Blackwell Bate Ltd.

Relevant professional qualification or body: Chartered Accountants

Address: Woburn House, Yelverton, Devon PL20 6BS

Date: