

**Yelverton War Memorial Recreation Field**

**and Village Hall Trust**

**Annual Report for 2025-26**

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**Object of the Charity**

1. The object of the charity shall be 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, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes and other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation, with the object of improving conditions of life for said inhabitants.
2. The land shall be held in trust for the object of the charity.

**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 31<sup>st</sup> 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**

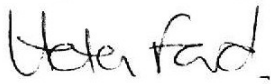
The nursery is well-regarded and we're pleased to have them as tenants. As the people who spend more time in the hall than anyone else, Josie and Jen are able to quickly identify and bring to our attention matters that need dealing with which is very helpful. Thanks are also due for the range of ways 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
	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>		
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
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>44,268</b>	<b>22,945</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
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
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>19,708</b>	<b>27,679</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure</b>	<b>24,560</b>	<b>(4,734)</b>

**YELVERTON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

**RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND BANK BALANCES**

**AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>CASH AT BANK &amp; IN HAND — 1st JANUARY 2025</b>		
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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<b>BALANCE AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025</b>	<b>43,359</b>	<b>18,799</b>

**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)
 <b>BALANCE AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025</b>	 <b>43,359</b>	 <b>18,799</b>

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**

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Cornwall PL12 6JW**

Date: **9/4/2026**