



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
COLD NORTON VILLAGE HALL

On accounts for the year
ended

31. MARCH 2024

Charity no
(if any)

301288

Set out on pages

AS PRESENTED

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024

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 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:

R. Sellick

Date:

25/11/24

Name:

RONALD SELICK

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

BANK FINANCIAL ANALYST (RETIRED)

Address:

16, STATION CRESCENT

COLD NORTON

CNEANSFORD. CM3 6HY

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

Cold Norton VHMC

Income/Expenditure
23/24

Registered Charity no. 301288

	2023/2024	2022/2023	2021/2022
Income			
Hall lettings - Note 1	24866-03	21864-16	14310-89
Bank interest	10-58.	1-60.	0-44
Fundraising-Note 4		2321-70	
100 Club	1680-00	1680-00	1680-00
Cards	37-00	15-00	
Penny Jar	29-80	20-00	21-32
Defib battery refund		242-40	
Grants		688-00	11131-00
From Parish Council	2659-80		
TOTAL		29283.21	26833.06
			27163.46

Expenditure			
Electricity	3638-94	3129-37	4555-51
Calor Gas	6420-86	4724-72	2275-56
Cleaning	7579-31	6807-56	5931-24
Insurance	1194-29	1127-83	1122-00
Telephone	134-63	149-91	91-44
Water	1657-52	1701-16	671-69
Air Purifier			417-53
Defib Battery			242-40
Repairs & Maintenance - Note 3	7947-51	5322-88	8623-92
Licences, Affiliation etc		159-14	926-92
Fundraising-Note 2		504-00	157-34
100 Club	840-00	840-00	1680-00
Beacon Advert	22-00	22-00	22-00
Kettle		23-00	
Hygieneco	1706-04	1813-02	
Parish Council		4380-00	
Deposit refund		100-00	
TOTAL		31141.1	30804.59
			26717.55

Accumulated Fund			
Income less expenditure	-1857.89	-3971.73	445.91
Add accumulated funds brought f	5323.87	9295.6	8849.69
Total	3465.98	5323.87	9295.6

Funds made up of:			
Current Account	3023.48 4701-76	4893-30	
Petty Cash	429.52 611-91	13.70.	
Business Deposit Account	20.78 10-20.	4388-60	
Total accumulated funds 31/3/24	3473.78	5323.87	9295.6

I have examined the attached Income and Expenditure Account for the year ending 31/3/24
 In my opinion, together with supporting documents shown to me, it is in accordance with the books
 of Cold Norton Village Hall Management Committee
 Ron Sellick. 16 Station Crescent, Cold Norton, Essex. CM3 6HY.

NOTE 1 - HALL LETTINGS

1st Cold Norton Guides	438-30
Cold Norton Pre-school	12709-00
Cold Norton Parish Council	281-80
Maldon District Disabled Club	719-27
Carpet Bowls	701-40
Coffee/Lunch Club	2616-91
Various	7440-55
TOTAL	24866.03

NOTE 2 - FUNDRAISING**NOTE 3 - REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE**

St Georges Pest Control	408-24
MPE Alarms	354-00
Homesafe	599-47
Window Cleaning	280-00
Gutters cleaned	265-00
Darren Skitmore	583-20
Darren Wilson	470-00
Refurb heaters	4789-60
Graham Cornell	198-00
TOTAL	7947.51

NOTE 4 - FUNDRAISING

COLD NORTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD ON 11th JULY 2024

1. Present: Chris Edwards (Treasurer and Bookings Secretary), Sue Garnham (Secretary), Alex Romang (Parish Council Rep), Marion Gunn (Parish Council Rep), Maureen Romang
2. Apologies for absence from Darren Skitmore (Chair)
3. The Minutes of the AGM held on 31st May 2023 were read and signed by Alex Romang
4. Matters Arising: There were no matters arising
5. Chairman's Report – May 2024

I am pleased to say that this is a much more upbeat report than I have been able to give in recent years. This is, in large part, due to the support that we have been given by the Parish Council.

As last year I can report that the village hall remains in a good state of repair and is very much open for business. However rising running costs are having an impact on us as, with everyone else, and we have been forced to increase the hiring charge significantly, and this will have to be constantly monitored.

A 'Walk Round Check' was done in January of this year and several problems were highlighted. Some remain outstanding but the vast majority have been addressed with the help again of some very good friends of the village hall – Graham Cornell, Alex Romang and Marion Gunn – to name but three, who carry out small maintenance jobs for us and thereby save us a fortune.

We still only have only 5 members, including the officers on the committee, but, because of the Parish Council support, seem to be managing ok.

We have not yet had our AGM, but anticipate that the current members will be willing to carry on for another year – but that does not mean that new members wouldn't be very warmly welcomed!

If anyone wants to volunteer or have any suggestions, we would love to hear from you.

Thank you to the Parish Council for given us the much needed boost.

5. Treasures Report : Please see attached. Note: This has not been audited at the time of the Meeting – Auditor is Mr R Sellick

All bookings are down. Maintenance costs are up.

6. 100 Club Report: Chris Edwards reported that all the tickets had been sold and all monies paid out
7. Appointment of Officers: The Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary all (reluctantly) agreed to stand for another year.

Chairman – Darren Skitmore - proposed by CE and seconded by AR

Treasurer – Chris Edwards – proposed by SG and seconded by MG

Secretary – Sue Garnham – proposed by CE and seconded by MR

Bookings Clerk – Chris Edwards – proposed by SG and seconded by MG

100 Club Clerk – Chris Edwards – proposed by SG and seconded by MR

8. Any other business: There was none
9. Date of Next Meeting: TBC