

Independent Examiner's Report on the accounts of Upshire Village Hall Committee

(Charity Commissions No: 301427)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st October 2022, which is set out on pages 2 to 4.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Direction 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 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.

Signed: 

Date: 6/02/23

Mr. M. McKinley
2, Wilmott Cottages,
Copthall Green,
Upshire,
Waltham Abbey,
ESSEX.

Upshire Village Hall Committee

Accounts for the Year ending 31st October 2022

Receipts & Payments Accounts (General Purposes Fund)

	£	£	2021
Income Receipts			
Grants and donations			
Grants	2667.00		27193.00
Sundry donations	103.92	2770.92	216.33
Trading Activities			
Hiring charges for use of the hall	31056.49		14766.28
Fundraising	552.56	31609.05	0.00
Investment Income			
Unbanked cheques	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank interest (deposit account)	14.44	14.44	1.14
Total Receipts		34394.41	42176.75
Direct Charitable Expenditure			
Repairs/maintenance of the hall	31555.95		5675.91
Electricity	1177.00		614.44
Gas	674.79		376.08
Rates (community, water and refuse)	476.93		683.66
Insurance	2850.00		2564.10
Fees	846.72		436.00
Cleaning expenses	9735.49		6243.84
Telephone/WIFI	760.26		810.19
Function expenses	927.27	49004.41	0.00
Other Expenditure			
Stationery, postage, returned deposits, bank charges	6304.29		726.98
Independent Examiner's Fee	0.00	6304.29	0.00
Total Payments		55308.70	18131.20
Net receipts for the Year		-20914.29	24045.55
Cash and bank balances at 31st October 2021		52566.30	28520.75
Cash and bank balances at 31st October 2022		31652.01	52566.30

**2. Statement of Assets and Liabilities
at 31st October 2022
Monetary Assets**

	General Fund	2022	2021
		£	£
Current Account		16652.96	37505.49
Deposit Account		15058.49	15044.05
Cash		40.56	16.76
Less uncleared cheques		100.00	0.00
Total		<u>31652.01</u>	<u>52566.30</u>

Non-Monetary Assets

Permanent Endowment:

Land and buildings used by the charity: Upshire Village Hall (insured value £557,448)

Other assets (non-endowed):

held for functional use by the charity -

Furniture & equipment in hall (insured £55,454)

Tables, chairs, computer, sound equipment and kitchen equipment, etc
(all in good condition).

FRED CORSHAM, Chairperson

For and on behalf of the Upshire Village Hall Committee.

Date: 6 - 2 - 2023

Upshire Village Hall Committee

Annual Report for the year to 31st October 2022

Upshire Village Hall Committee, Horseshoe Hill, Upshire, Waltham Abbey, Essex. EN9 3SP, is registered with the Charity Commissioners (No: 301427) and constituted by Deed of Trust.

The Charity is administered by a management committee, comprising of:

Chairperson	Mr. F. Corsham
Vice Chairperson	Mr. J Marrable
Secretary	Mrs. W Crawley
Treasurer	Miss. K. Matthews
Other members	Mr. S Brown, Mr. A Olsen, Mrs. W Quintin, Ms. K Dale , Mrs. P Matthews and Mrs. K Gutenschwger

The objective of the charity is to maintain Upshire Village Hall, for the communal benefit of the inhabitants of the village and its surrounds. The committee aims to provide first class hall facilities at an affordable cost to voluntary organizations serving the community. The charity depends largely upon the continuing help of committee members and local volunteers. Over the past year the Committee have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

General Fund

During the year 24 groups have used the hall. Unfortunately the two play and stay groups have had to close due to health and economic reasons. The income of £15,901.28 was an increase from last year of £5,152.64.

The number of bookings has greatly increased this year. There were 30 Saturday bookings, an increase of 25. There were 29 Sunday bookings, an increase of 26 bookings. We also had 5 incidental weekday bookings, an increase of 3. Bookings for the forthcoming year are not as encouraging as last year. Our income increased to £15,155.21 a rise of £11,137.57.

During the year the Committee held three functions, the Jubilee, Saga Louts and a Harvest cocktail party. These functions were not aimed a raising funds but more about making people aware of the village hall an encouraging people to socialize. These functions made a loss of £124.71

During the year the Committee received a grant from Epping Forest District Council of £2,667. This grant with the grants from last year have been used to help purchase of new equipment for cleaning, extra cleaning costs and general running costs but they have also enabled us to refurbish the gents toilets at a cost of £13,982.73 and repair the flat roof at a cost of £14,295.60. Throughout the year the Committee has carried out general maintenance work at a cost of £3,277.56. This is an increase of £863.65 pounds on last year.

The Committee has agreed that a reserve of the General Fund should not be less than £15,000 to cover any emergency work that needs to be carried out. This has been maintained throughout, and the reserve at the end of the year is £31652.01.

F. Corsham,
Chairperson
For and on behalf of the Village Hall Committee

Date: 6-2-2023