

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 2024, which is set out on pages 2 to 4.

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 Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

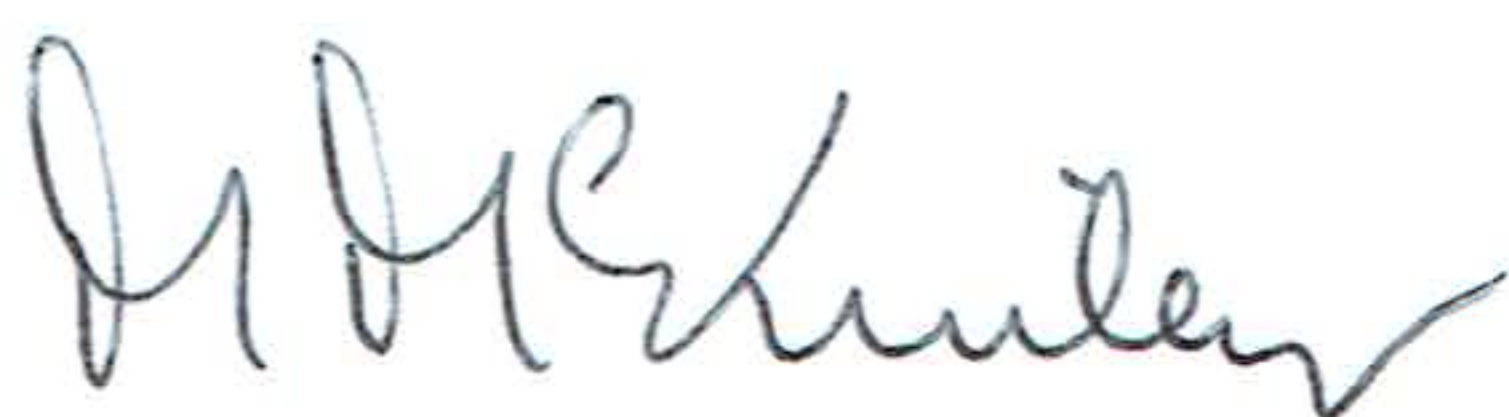
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination 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 did 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.

Signed:



Date:

29/01/25

Mr. M. McKinley
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Upshire,
Waltham Abbey,
ESSEX.

Upshire Village Hall Committee

Receipts & Payments Accounts (General Purposes Fund)

| Income Receipts | £ | £ | 2023 |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------------|-----------------|
| Grants and Donations | | | |
| Grants | 0.00 | | 0.00 |
| Donations | 2038.00 | 2038.00 | 50390.75 |
| Trading Activities | | | |
| Hiring charges | 30909.03 | | 31436.72 |
| Fundraising | 3234.28 | 34,143.31 | 527.00 |
| Investment income | | | |
| Bank interest (deposit account) | 222.20 | 222.20 | 165.11 |
| Total Receipts | | 36,403.51 | 82519.58 |

Direct Charitable Expenditure

| | | | |
|---------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Repairs/maintenance | 3698.53 | | 68222.82 |
| Electricity | 553.44 | | 1064.29 |
| Gas | 650.86 | | 737.18 |
| Rates | 506.01 | | 434.70 |
| Insurance | 3870.01 | | 3580.91 |
| Fees | 1199.36 | | 1793.43 |
| Cleaning expenses | 8911.80 | | 9879.70 |
| Telephone/WIFI | 1027.54 | | 892.50 |
| Function expenses | 2078.85 | 22496.40 | 100.00 |

Other Expenditure

| | | | |
|--|---------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Stationery, postage, returned deposits, bank charges | 3315.00 | | 3762.95 |
| Independent Examiner's Fee | 0.00 | 3315.00 | 0.00 |
| Total Payments | | 25811.40 | 90468.48 |

Net receipts for the Year

| | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cash and Bank balances at 31st October 2023 | 10592.11 | -7948.90 |
| Cash and Bank balances at 31st October 2024 | 23703.11 | 31652.01 |
| | 34295.22 | 23703.11 |

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st October 2024

Monetary Assets

| General Fund | 2024 | 2023 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Current Account | 18619.18 | 8448.26 |
| Deposit Account | 15445.80 | 15223.60 |
| Cash | 540.24 | 131.25 |
| Less uncleared cheque | 310.00 | 100.00 |
| Total | 34295.22 | 23703.11 |

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Non-Monetary Assets

Permanent Endowment:

Land and buildings used by the charity: Upshire Village Hall (insured value £825,034)

Other assets (non-endowed):

held for functional use by the charity -

Furniture & equipment in hall (insured £69,591)

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:

29-1-2025

Upshire Village Hall Committee

Annual Report for the year to 31st October 2024

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:

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| Chairperson | Mr. F. Corsham |
| Vice Chairperson | Mr. J Marrable |
| Secretary | Mrs. W Crawley |
| Treasurer | Miss. K. Matthews |
| Other members | Mr. S Brown, Mr. M Brooks, Mrs. W Quintin, Ms. K Dale , Mrs. P Matthews, Mrs J Pitman, Mrs K Tew, Ms L Davis, Mrs S Elvins and Miss. 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 23 groups have used the hall. Unfortunately the dance group, boxercise, gong bath meditation and the U3A sewing and sketch groups have closed, but the sketch group hopes to restart in the new year. Much of this was due to the closure of the road for major gas works, which meant people had a long detour to get to the hall. The income of £19,641.45 was a decrease from last year of £1,227.24.

The number of sundry bookings has increased from last year, however this was still effected by the major building works that were carried out, with no bookings in February, which is usually a busy month. There were 23 Saturday bookings, an increase of 8. There were 15 Sunday bookings, a decrease of 6 bookings. We also had 6 incidental weekday bookings, an increase of two. Bookings for the forthcoming year are more encouraging. Our income decreased to £11,267.58 an increase of £699.85.

During the year the Committee held two functions, a Christmas Jingle and a Bingo night. The functions were not aimed a raising funds but more about making people aware of the village hall an encouraging people to socialize. The functions made £3,234.28 an increase of £2,707.28 on the previous year.

During the year the Committee received donations of £2,038 which will be put towards the laying of a new floor in the small hall. During the year the Committee spent £258.76 on a Sumup card reader, £379.24 on a new hoover and carpet cleaner and £3,060.53 was spent on general maintenance work. This is an increase of £421.75 pounds on last year and is due to the cost of the full electrical test.

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 £34,295.22.

F. Corsham,
Chairperson

For and on behalf of the Village Hall Committee



Date 29-1-2025