



CRONDALL VILLAGE HALL

Governance and Trustees

Crondall village Hall was established as a charity by a Trust Deed dated 1923

The object of the charity is the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the area of benefit 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 the conditions of life for the inhabitants.

The Village Hall Management Committee is responsible for keeping the building in a good state of repair. As such they are responsible for the raising of appropriate funds to ensure the Village Hall is maintained fit for purpose in accordance with the Trust Deed.

Appointment of Trustees

The Trust Deed governs the appointment of trustees and the management of the charity. All trustees whether elected or appointed by organisations entitled to a representative retire at the end of their 3-year term at the Annual General Meeting

Established in 1923, Crondall Village Hall is a community asset held on a charitable trust and managed by a committee of volunteers.

The trustees also form the Management Committee of the Village Hall which has the power to co-opt a maximum of 4 additional trustees during the year.

Current Trustees

Simon Crowther, Patricia Sharpe, Owen Durrett and Barrie Cheeseman

Hiring of the Hall

Besides the furtherance of the charitable objectives, it is also important that the Crondall Village Hall shows that it is also providing public benefit, whilst still achieving its objectives.

The public benefit derived from the activities of the Village Hall includes:

- Provision of the Crondall Village Hall for public use
- Preservation and enhancement of the Village Hall for the use of the community.

Whilst the public benefit is available to anyone, as there are few bars to usage of the hall, a charge to cover costs is made, and a discount provided for local Crondall Village users. Analysis shows these fees are not higher than for other Halls in the area, and so these fees do not represent an unreasonable restriction to access to the hall.

Use of the village hall is subject to a Hiring Agreement which must be signed by the hirer when booking. The hiring agreement sets out the conditions of hire and identifies the respective responsibilities of each party to the agreement.

Principal activities in pursuit of our objectives

The Village Hall is also available on hire to commercial undertakings, particularly those that provide a service to the local community. In this context, the Village Hall provides facilities for Keep Fit for the Over 50s, various types of Dance Classes, including Ballet, Tango, and the disabled, Dog Training, Children's and Adult Parties and Wedding Receptions.

Income

Income, for the maintenance of the Village Hall is mainly derived from the hiring of the Main Hall and the Meeting Room and holding other occasional events which benefit both the Hall and other local community groups, public donations along with Lottery and Grant Aid. We also put on our fundraising events

2023 Review

- Thanks to our Trustees (Barrie Cheeseman, Owen Durrett, Trish Sharpe) and other members of the committee, Richard Sharpe VP, Geoff Smith, Sue Mitchell, Bev Sylvester-Evans, Nathan Best and in particular our new Administrator, Heather Shepherd who joined us in December when Carole had to unexpectedly stand down for health reasons. If anyone is interested to assist we are keen to find a reliable Treasurer and someone to assist with marketing.
- 2023 was a year of consolidation and recovery after the difficult years of Covid for us. We have had 4/5 years of improvements and upgrades which culminated in the stage, lighting and projection equipment we will use tonight. Having said that Barrie, Richard and Roy Bridgewater continue to carry out maintenance and improvements. Some due to the age of the hall and some due to damage inflicted by bored teenagers.
- Financial Highlights – I am pleased to report that income from hiring the hall is back to pre-covid levels and income from entertainments we have featured was the highest ever, justifying all the improvements made.
- The core costs of running the hall have not increased significantly due to the fixed price contracts we have in place. Our exit from Castle Water was completed after 4 years of arguing over the costs of a water leak we had in the car park. The final balance was picked up by our insurance company, The NFU.
- The amounts spent on improvements and Fixtures & Fittings include: solar panels, new hand dryers and our lighting system., all paid for by grants.
- We ended 2023 with a small operating surplus of £1,090 after paying our annual interest free loan repayment of £3000 for the side extension. Balance sits at £32,000
- We have cash on deposit of £46,402
- Our plans are to encourage more local groups to hold events at the hall and to come up with ideas to benefit everyone. Two currently are:
 1. To work in conjunction with the Croft Cafe team to put on Children's films in the holidays and



- 2. We have just completed a poll on Facebook to enquire as to whether there is interest in us running a course on the use of a DEFIB. The answer was 70 said yes so we will arrange ASAP
- We would like to hear your suggestions

Simon Crowther

24.04.2024

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Income and Expenditure Account for the year to 31st December 2023

Accounting Method: Cash

	12 months January - December, 2023	12 months January - December, 2022	
	Total	Total	% Change
Income			
Hiring of Premises & Facilities	36,421	18,713	95%
Events Income	6,536	1,895	245%
Donations	150	8,166	-98%
Grants	17,341	35,824	-52%
Interest earned	278	55	406%
Insurance Claim	724	-	-
Total Income	61,450	64,653	-5%
Operating Expenditures			
Event Supplies	4,118	338	1118%
Advertising	1,699	838	103%
Insurance	1,282	1,137	13%
Licences	330	180	83%
Domain costs	26	-	-
Software subscriptions	296	227	31%
Bookkeeping	940	149	531%
Finance costs	1,734	1,000	73%
Bank charges	10	-	-
Office admin	3,360	-	-
Office Supplies	284	58	390%
Telephone	729	742	-2%
Cleaning	3,200	3,830	-16%
Utilities	2,578	2,225	16%
Repair and maintenance	3,083	2,071	49%
Charitable Donations	-	425	-100%
Other Costs	-	1,986	-100%
Total Operating Expenditures	23,670	15,205	56%
Operating Surplus (deficit)	37,780	49,448	-24%
Other Expenditure			
Fixtures and Fittings	3,525	420	739%
Improvements	33,165	22,162	50%
Total Other Expenditure	36,690	22,582	62%
Total Surplus (deficit)	1,090	26,867	-96%
Balances b/fwd from previous years	10,312	-16,555	-162%
Accumulated Funds carried forward	11,402	10,312	11%

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Balance Sheet as of 31st December 2023

Accounting Method: Cash

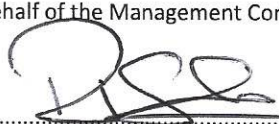
	12 months As of 31st December, 2023	12 months As of 31st December, 2022	
	Total	Total	% Change
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank and in Hand			
FIXED Term Deposit 3587LS	25,160	-	-
Treasurer's Account 1778	13,052	35,698	-63%
BB INST Online 9360	8,190	-	-
Shawbrook Saving Account	-	12,614	-100%
Total Cash at Bank and in Hand	46,402	48,312	-4%
Total Net Current Assets	46,402	48,312	-4%
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year			
Navigator Trust Loan	35,000	38,000	-8%
Total Net Assets (Liabilities)	11,402	10,312	11%
Charity funds			
Retained Earnings	10,312	-16,555	162%
Surplus/(Deficit)	1,090	26,867	-96%
Total Charity funds	11,402	10,312	11%

Notes to the Accounts

1. All transactions are reported as Gross at transaction date
2. As a Registered Charity, the accounts have been prepared in accordance with the recommended practices issued by the Charity Commission
3. The reserves carried forward include a Reserves Policy sum of £12,000

Signed on behalf of the Management Committee

Vice Chairman



Date

25.4.2024

Treasurer



Date

25.4.2024



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Crondall Village Hall

On accounts for the
year ended

31st December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

301795

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st December 2023.

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 and
- 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.

Signed:

Date:

15/04/2024

Name:

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qualification(s) or body
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