



Four Marks Village Hall

Registered Charity No 301828

Chairman's Annual Report **Year Ended 28th February 2022**

The Four Marks Village Hall Management Committee exists to maintain and operate Four Marks Village Hall, situated in Lymington Bottom within the Parish of Four Marks in the County of Hampshire. The Management Committee consists of trustee members appointed by Affiliated Clubs, Public and Co-opted Representatives, and a Representative of Four Marks Parish Council. All business is transacted in accordance with the Trust Deed.

The Office Holders for the year ending 28th February 2022 were:

Honorary Chairman	Mr C T Lake	(Public Rep)
Honorary Treasurer	Mrs S Fowler	(Public Rep)
Honorary Minutes Secretary	Miss K Wakeman	(Public Rep)
Honorary Booking Secretary	Mrs J Lake	(Scouts)

Other Trustee members were:

Mrs J Foster	(Parish Council)	Mr D Mills	(Public Rep)
Mrs K Norkett	(Badminton)	Mrs S Nisbet	(Toddlers)
Mr R Pullen	(Horticultural Society)	Mr M Allen	(Teamsters)
Mr F Maloney	(Church of the Good Shepherd)	Mrs J Ward	(Lunch Club)
Mrs P Maloney	(Women's Institute)	Mrs M Hart	(Co-opted)
Mrs J Goddard	(Butterflies Nursery)	Mrs D Osgood	(Co-opted)
		Mrs S Muskett	(Flower Club)

2021/22 has been another unusual year, due to the continuing Covid-19 pandemic. We have continued to operate in accordance with varying Government regulations, which have affected both hall management and every hall user. A further lockdown excluded most users until June, with the exception of Butterflies Nursery. With some relaxation of rules during June, a limited number of exercise classes re-started, albeit under a strict sanitation regime and with limited numbers. When rules were further eased in September, more exercise classes and some other regular users began to return. This increase in use was to some extent reversed towards Christmas, when the Omicron Covid variant appeared. Now this has been found to be less dangerous, particularly to those who are fully vaccinated, bookings are again being made.

Hire income was somewhat higher than the first pandemic year, largely due to the increase in use permitted towards the end of 2021. Nonetheless, it was still only 65% of the last pre-pandemic year. Our financial saviour was grant income. Having received £18,612 in Coronavirus grants in 2020/21, we have now received a further £16,667 in this financial year. Added to this is an increased annual grant from the Parish Council of £2,500, a generous £880 from Four Marks News to buy a new floor cleaner/polisher, and an infrastructure grant of £9,000 from Hampshire County Council towards roof repairs.

Routine costs (cleaning, energy, etc.) were slightly up due to increased hall usage, although many such as insurance remain similar regardless. As always, a succession of minor repairs were carried out. However, the intention of the Coronavirus grants was to maintain the local infrastructure ready for resumption of normal activities. Accordingly, a very large portion of the grant and income monies accumulated over the last three years has been spent on long-delayed major maintenance. The largest project has been the refurbishment of the flat roof

areas over the lobby, toilets and committee room. This proved to be even more expensive than planned, as on finally starting the work after long Covid delays, the old roof was found to be unusable as a base, requiring a complete rebuild from scratch. The final cost was almost £30,000.

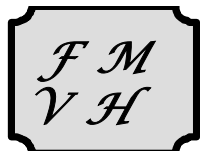
Other major projects included the replacement of the main heating boiler at a cost of £5,700. Although noisier than the old heating, the new system has proved more than adequate at rapidly warming the large hall, and is much more efficient and controllable. The outside of the hall has had a long overdue painting at a cost of £3836, attracting a number of compliments. A more secure uPVC front door, complete with panic bar to meet current fire exit regulations. has been installed at a cost of £2,600 to replace the old wooden unit.

Despite all this work, still more jobs are being found. During the flat roof work, it has been discovered that work on the small hall roofing felt is needed. The committee room wall fan heaters are failing after 20+ years and need replacement. The large ash tree at the car park entrance is suffering from ash die-back disease, and will have to be felled. These will all be tackled as money becomes available from income grants and fund-raising; the latter has of course been impossible during the pandemic.

As always, I would like to thank the members of the Committee, particularly the hard-working maintenance sub-committee, who have given their time and expertise in keeping our Village Hall in good repair and a valuable asset to our community.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Chris Lake'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Chris Lake
Chairman, Four Marks Village Hall



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ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 28th FEBRUARY 2022

OPERATING ACCOUNT

2020/21	INCOME	2021/22
5,768.25	Club hirings	9,625.15
2,904.00	Private hirings	5,031.00
62.00	Miscellaneous & equipment hire	145.00
21,110.19	Grants	31,142.90
0.00	Over 60s Christmas lunch (raffle etc)	0.00
0.00	Roof fund	302.90
29,844.44		46,246.95

EXPENDITURE

3,198.29	Maintenance	37,072.80
5,946.87	Cleaning	8,635.72
1,077.58	Cleaning materials	1,478.40
94.16	Office expenses	99.95
525.67	Telephone	575.11
1,647.07	Electricity	2,141.33
944.23	Gas	1,322.42
0.00	Gas maintenance	6,780.00
181.36	Water rates	629.79
1,831.51	Insurance	1,845.46
0.00	PRS licence	685.60
3,228.04	Miscellaneous	836.95
0.00	Over 60s Christmas lunch	0.00
18,674.78		62,103.53
11,169.66	Operating surplus/deficit	-15,856.58

General funds - Current Account

19,770.54	Balance brought forward	30,940.20
11,169.66	Operating surplus/deficit	-15,856.58
30,940.20	Balance carried forward	15,083.62

Represented by

30,940.20	Current account	15,083.62
3,005.54	Newbury reserve account	3,718.33
33,945.74		18,801.95



Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

FOUR MARKS VILLAGE HALL

On accounts for the year
ended

FEBRUARY 2022

Charity no
(if any)

301828

Set out on pages

(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 DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis
of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission
under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's
statement

~~The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to
undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of
applicable listed body]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have
come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that
disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material
respect:

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

G Edwards

Date:

10/MAY/22

Name:

GLENDA JEAN EDWARDS

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