

**Newton Valence Social Centre**  
**Annual Report -Year to 31 December 2024**

Aims and Organisation

The Social Centre Trustees administer the affairs of Newton Valence village hall and aim to ensure that the village hall remains open and operational for community activities in the village. The hall is also available for rent. The Trustees permit Newton Valence Sports and Social Club (NVSSC) to run a club in the hall on Friday nights and events throughout the year. The Sports and Social Club is responsible for the upkeep of the hall and grounds and for all running costs of the hall for this purpose and should pass on any excess funds to the Social Centre during, or at the end of, their financial year.

Review of progress and achievements

Fund raising has continued by the Social Centre Trustees applying for grants and by the Sports & Social Club running events to enable works to continue to complete the refurbishment of the hall and its facilities. This year, grants towards the works have been gratefully received from The National Lottery Rural Community Fund, the DEFRA (ACRE) Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Fund, the De Laszlo Foundation and our East Hampshire District Councillor. The hall was formally re-opened by the local MP Damian Hinds in April 2024. There are a number of issues that need further work to gain EHDC Building control to sign the completion Certificate and these had been largely, but not completely resolved by the year end. The hall refurbishment has been widely welcomed by residents as a more attractive and sustainable venue and attendance has increased during the year.

Review of financial activities and affairs

The Social Centre's income is derived largely from:

- Monies raised by the Sports & Social Club
- Interest on bank accounts
- Dividends from a CCLA fund

The main assets comprise the club's current account and a CCLA investment.

Legal and administrative information

The Newton Valence Social Centre Committee is entrusted with the custody of the general club bank account and the CCLA investment fund. The following 5 persons have served on the Committee as Trustees during the year under review and until the date of this report:

- Mike Buckland
- Bob Fewings
- Les Hewett
- Pip Lucas (Chair) and acting temporary Secretary and Treasurer.
- Rev. Carrie Walshaw

The AGM is held between April and July each year. The Newton Valence Social Centre co-operates fully with the Parochial Church Council, Newton Valence Sports & Social Club and the Parish Council.

Bankers

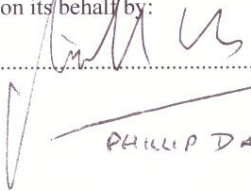
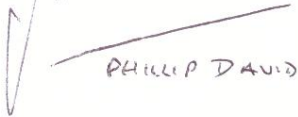
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**Receipts and Payments Account for year to 31 December 2024**

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
Hall Hire	50		70	
Bank Interest	0		0	
Dividends	0		0	
Total Receipts	50	50	70	70
Funds from NVSSC	3,000		0	
EHDC Covid Recovery Grant	0		0	
Parish Council Donation	0		0	
Derrill Allatt Foundation Grant	0		0	
National Lottery Rural Community Funds Grant	28,500		0	
ACRE Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Grant	32,000		0	
De Laszlo Foundation Grant	5,000		0	
HCC Grant	0		0	
Residents Donations including Gift Aid	375		25,628	
EHDC District Councillor Grant	725		1,000	
	69,600		26,628	
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<u>Income from investments</u>				
CCLA Fund	70		69	
		70		69
Bank interest	0		0	
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>69,720</b>		<b>26,767</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
Just Giving Subscription	0		18	
M O Buckland Builders	64,360		109,295	
P Hollely - Rear Extension flooring	900		1,280	
NVSSC - Lighting & Door Strip	0		963	
L Hewett - Lighting	0		541	
EHDC Building Control	0		695	
Resonics Ltd - Acoustic Panels	0		3,216	
M. Pendlebury - Furniture	0		980	
Neale Turk LLP - Land Registry Title	0		253	
Dunelm Tables and Chairs	725		0	
Timpson Brass Plaque for Official Opening	66		0	
Wyeth Digital Exterior Sign	294		0	
	66,345		117,241	
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>66,345</b>		<b>117,241</b>
<b>Excess of receipts over payments</b>		<b>3,375</b>		<b>-90,474</b>
Bank account at 1 January		6,215		96,688
CCLA Fund		2,159		2,159
Total Assets at 31 December		11,749		8,373

Approved by the Newton Valence Social Centre Trustees on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025 and  
signed on its behalf by:

  
..... Chairman  
  
PHILIP DAVID LUCAS

## **Newton Valence Social Centre**

### **To the Trustees of Newton Valence Social Centre**

This report on the accounts of the Social Centre for the year to 31 December 2024, which are set out on the attached pages 2 and 3, is in respect of an examination carried out under s.43 of the Charities Act 1993.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the Trustees of the Social Centre you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those accounts in accordance with the terms of Regulation 7 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 1995 and in compliance with Regulation 7 of the 2000 Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations.

#### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the Act. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Social Centre and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering 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**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the requirements of the Act, have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mrs Sue Harrington  
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Dated

4 August 2025

S. D. Harrington