

Registered Charity Number
302673

The Ashurst McDermott Hall
Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts
For The Year Ended 30 September 2020

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Information

Name

The full name of the charity is The Ashurst McDermott Hall.

Trustees

Mr C Tomlin (Chairman)

Mr C J Blyth

Ms R M L Guerrier

Mrs S A Haines

Mr R Humphries

Mr M Jarrett

Mrs S M Minoprio

Mrs J M Soyke

Mr J N A Syers

Mrs T A Watson

Mr T L Watson

Mr M Willoughby-Jones

Mr B H Woodhouse

Charity Number

302673

Date of Formation

13 May 1963

Address

Tanglewood

Claytons Lane

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Trustees' Annual Report

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 30 September 2020.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS102), issued on July 2014 and as subsequently amended.

The board of trustees are satisfied with the performance of the charity during the year and the position at 30 September 2020 and consider that the charity is in a strong position to continue its activities during the coming year, and that the charity's assets are adequate to fulfil its obligations.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a Scheme approved by the Charity Commissioners for regulation of this charity dated 28 January 1992 as amended 5 February 2007, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of this Scheme by the Committee of Management.

The charity constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the charity are:

(a) to provide & maintain a village hall for use by the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for:

- (i) meetings, lectures & classes, and
- (ii) other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation;

(b) to provide or assist in the provision of recreational facilities for the inhabitants of the area of benefit in the interests of social welfare;

with the object of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants.

There has been no change in these aims and objectives during the year.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit in deciding what activities the charity should undertake as required in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011.

Governance

The Committee of Management (who are the charity trustees of the charity) shall consist, when complete, of fifteen persons (Members), being seven Elected Members and eight Representative Members.

Elected Members shall be appointed at the annual general meeting and shall hold office from the end of the annual general meeting at which they are appointed.

One Representative Member shall be appointed by each of the organisations as stated in the governing document.

The Committee shall have power by a resolution passed at a duly constituted meeting by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the Members for the time being to allow the appointment of an additional Representative Member by any organisation in the area of benefit not already named in this Scheme.

Risk management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

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Trustees' Annual Report (cont)

Trustees

The following trustees held office during the year:

Mr C Tomlin (Chairman)
Mr C J Blyth
Ms R M L Guerrier
Mrs S A Haines
Mr R Humphries
Mr M Jarrett
Mrs S M Minoprio
Mrs J M Soyke
Mr J N A Syers
Mrs T A Watson
Mr T L Watson
Mr M Willoughby-Jones
Mr B H Woodhouse

Achievements, Performance and Financial Review

The Covid-19 Pandemic hit the UK in March 2020 with the Spring Lockdown. This stopped all Hall and ABSA activity - therefore the results for the year are very different to normal years.

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Lettings produced £4,565 (2019 - £8,467) in the period October to March and then some regular hirings during the summer of 2020. Other income received totalled £507 (2019 - £347).

Resources expended totalled £6,400 (2019 - £5,982) excluding depreciation of £3,686 (2019 - £3,686). Expenditure in the main was in fact reduced during the lockdown; however, c. £600 was spent on upgrading the Hall security alarm system. This work ensures the alarm is up to date, but also no longer requires a telephone line for communication - saving c. £350 per annum ongoing.

A Covid Lockdown Grant of £10,000 was secured from Tunbridge Wells Borough Council.

As a result of the Grant, the hall produced a surplus of £8,672 (2019 - £2,831) excluding depreciation. The surplus is derived from actual 'cash' transactions during the year plus accounting adjustments for the prepayment of Insurance, lettings income, sundry debtors and creditors for accountancy fees etc.

Cash resources at 30 September 2020 total £48,450 (2019 - £38,290).

In "normal" times, the hall is let both for private functions and courses, as well as activities open to the public both in Ashurst and the surrounding area. The hall is also well used by the church both in Ashurst as well as other churches.

Ashurst & Blackham Sports Association (ABSA) - a sub-Committee of the Trust

Lettings produced £3,990 (2019 - £3,081), fundraising events £3,198 (2019 - £6,490), sale of drinks after matches and village bar £83 (2019 - £776), fishing agreement £1,650 (2019 - £1,650). Total income was £8,977 (2018 - £12,029) excluding grants.

A Covid Lockdown Grant of £10,000 was secured from Tunbridge Wells Borough Council.

Resources expended totalled £7,703 (2019 - £14,015) excluding depreciation.

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Trustees' Annual Report (cont)

The cost to run the income generating events were £2,061 (2019 - £7,330) but due to existing stocks and few events no drinks were purchased drinks for resale (2019 - £1,717). The costs to run the sports field and pavilion (e.g. electricity, insurance etc.) are therefore £5,641 (excluding purchase of assets, drinks for resale and events costs).

As a result of the Grant, ABSA produced a surplus, excluding depreciation, of £11,274 (2019 - £1,985). The surplus is based on cash transactions during the year less insurance prepaid, hirings income, debtors and other creditors.

No major work was carried out at the sports field during the year.

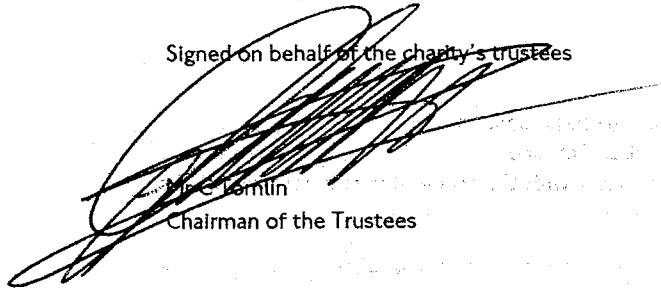
Cash resources at 30 September 2020 total £25,374 (2019 - £13,558).

In "normal" times, the sports field is let mainly for football and stoolball and the pavilion is let as a children's Montessori nursery. ABSA owns the fishing rights on the east side of the river and has agreed to not fish from it. The pavilion provides changing facilities for sports teams as well as a location for village events and post-match drinks and teas. ABSA has now established two well attended fund raising annual village events that produce profits to enhance the facilities. These are a

I would like to thank Sheila Haines for her tireless work producing timely and accurate paperwork in dual roles as both Village Hall Bookings secretary as well as ABSA Treasurer. Thanks also to Chris Tomlin for ensuring difficult decisions were made during this year regarding Covid. Chris and Sheila were responsible for identifying and securing the Tunbridge Wells BC Covid-19 Grants that have been hugely important to the Trust this year.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees


Chris Tomlin
Chairman of the Trustees

Date: 20th July 2021

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Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the Trustees of The Ashurst McDermott Hall, Charity Number 302673, on the Accounts for the Year Ended 30 September 2020, as set out on pages 7 to 14.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.



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15 June 2021

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Statement of Financial Activities For the Year Ended 30 September 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
		£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	300	-	300	100
Incoming resources from charitable activities	3.2	10,324	-	10,324	14,058
Other trading activities	3.3	3,198	-	3,198	6,490
Other (Grants)	3.1	20,000	-	20,000	-
Total		33,822	-	33,822	20,648
Resources expended					
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities		16,294	4,344	20,638	21,264
Other (Event costs)	3.3	2,061	-	2,061	7,330
Other (Governance costs)	5	380	-	380	380
Total		18,735	4,344	23,079	28,974
Net Income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)		15,087	(4,344)	10,743	(8,326)
Net gains/(losses) on Investments	3.4	227	-	227	196
Net income/(expenditure)		15,314	(4,344)	10,970	(8,130)
Net movement in funds		15,314	(4,344)	10,970	(8,130)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward at 1 October 2019		137,506	396,658	534,164	542,297
Total Funds carried forward		152,820	392,314	545,134	534,167

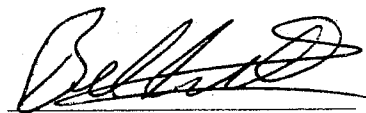
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Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2020

	Notes	2020	2019
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	469,688	478,665
Current assets			
Stocks	9	1,279	1,326
Debtors	10	3,509	3,251
Cash at bank and in hand	12	73,823	51,848
		<u>78,611</u>	<u>56,425</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(3,165)	(923)
Net current assets		<u>75,446</u>	<u>55,502</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u><u>545,134</u></u>	<u><u>534,167</u></u>
Funds of the Charity	13		
Restricted income funds		392,314	396,658
Unrestricted funds		152,820	137,509
		<u><u>545,134</u></u>	<u><u>534,167</u></u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on


Mr J Tomlin
Trustee


Mr B H Woodhouse
Trustee

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 30 September 2020

1 Basis of preparation

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

2 Accounting policies

2.1 Income

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).

Donated goods

Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

2.2 Expenditure and liabilities

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance and support costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. The charity has no support costs.

Grants payable without performance conditions

Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

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Deferred Income

No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.

Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Basic financial Instruments

The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 10.7 FRS 102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS 102 SORP.

2.3 Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and are valued at cost. The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 14.

Stocks

Stocks held for sale as part of non-charitable trade are measured at the lower or cost or net realisable value.

Debtors

Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

3 Analysis of Income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
3.1 Donations & legacies				
Donations and gifts	300	-	300	100
General grants provided by government/other charities	20,000	-	20,000	-
	<u>20,300</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,300</u>	<u>100</u>
3.2 Charitable activities			2020	2019
			£	£
Hall hire & rental			4,565	8,467
Sports field hire & pavilion rental			3,990	3,081
Fishing club subscriptions			1,650	1,650
Drink sales following matches & village bar			83	776
Sundry			36	84
			<u>10,324</u>	<u>14,058</u>
3.3 Other trading activities			2020	2019
			£	£
Income from events			3,198	6,490
Event costs			(2,061)	(7,330)
			<u>1,137</u>	<u>(840)</u>

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3.4 Income from Investments

	2020	2019
	£	£
Interest income	<u>227</u>	<u>194</u>

4 Analysis of expenditure

	Depreciation £	Other costs £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
Expenditure on raising funds				
Event costs		2,061	2,061	7,330
Expenditure on Charitable activities				
Costs of maintaining and operating Hall, Sports field and Pavilion				
Activities undertaken directly	8,977	11,661	20,638	21,264
Other				
Governance costs		380	380	380
Total expenditure	<u>8,977</u>	<u>14,102</u>	<u>23,079</u>	<u>28,974</u>

5 Details of certain items of expenditure

	2020	2019
Fees for examination of the accounts		
Independent examiner's fees	<u>380</u>	<u>380</u>

6 Paid employees

Staff Costs

There were no paid employees during the year.

7 Grantmaking

Analysis of grants paid (Included in cost of charitable activities)

The charity did not make any grants or donations which in aggregate form a material part of the charitable activities undertaken.

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8 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
8.1 Cost or valuation				
At 1 October 2019	548,274	17,309	29,676	595,259
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 30 September 2020	<u>548,274</u>	<u>17,309</u>	<u>29,676</u>	<u>595,259</u>
8.2 Depreciation and impairments				
At 1 October 2019	77,471	9,976	29,147	116,594
Charge for the year	4,783	3,665	529	8,977
On disposals	-	-	-	-
At 30 September 2020	<u>82,254</u>	<u>13,641</u>	<u>29,676</u>	<u>125,571</u>
8.3 Net book value				
At 30 September 2020	<u>466,020</u>	<u>3,668</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>469,688</u>
At 30 September 2019	<u>470,803</u>	<u>7,333</u>	<u>529</u>	<u>478,665</u>

8.4 Accounting Policy

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life; as follows:

Freehold land & buildings	1 % straight line
Plant and machinery	25% straight line
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	25% straight line

Freehold land & buildings includes £70,000 of property and fishing rights which are not being depreciated.

9 Stocks	2020 £	2019 £
Stocks for resale	<u>1,279</u>	<u>1,326</u>
10 Analysis of debtors	2020 £	2019 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	1,650	1,449
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>1,859</u>	<u>1,802</u>
	<u>3,509</u>	<u>3,251</u>

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11 Analysis of creditors

Amounts falling due within one year:

Trade creditors

Accruals and deferred income

2020	2019
£	£
1,035	255
2,130	668
<u>3,165</u>	<u>923</u>

12 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and on hand

2020	2019
£	£
<u>73,823</u>	<u>51,849</u>

Events after the end of the reporting period

There have been no events subsequent to the period-end date which require disclosure in or adjustment to the financial statements.

13 Charity funds

Details of material funds held and movements during the current reporting period

Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

Movement in funds				
	Balance as at 1 October 2019	Income/ Capitalised Expenditure	Expenditure/ depreciation	Balance as at 30 September 2020
	£	£	£	£
a Village Hall, Sports Field Pavilion & land with Fishing rights	396,658	-	(4,344)	392,314
	<u>396,658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,344)</u>	<u>392,314</u>

a) Village Hall, Sports Field Pavilion & land with Fishing rights

This fund was set up with money received for the purpose of building the village hall and the acquisition of the sports field pavilion & land with fishing rights.

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14 Movement in funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Fund balances at 30 September 2020 are represented by:			
Tangible fixed assets	77,374	392,314	469,688
Current assets	78,611	-	78,611
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,165)	-	(3,165)
	<u>152,820</u>	<u>392,314</u>	<u>545,134</u>

Summary

	At 1 Oct 19 £	Movement in year £	At 30 Sep 20 £
Restricted funds	396,658	(4,344)	392,314
Unrestricted funds	137,506	15,314	152,820
	<u>534,164</u>	<u>10,970</u>	<u>545,134</u>

15 Transactions with trustees and related parties

15.1 Trustee remuneration and benefits

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

15.2 Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred.

15.3 Transaction(s) with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

16 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.