

# YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 304457

## Details

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**Other names** VILLAGE HALL

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1962-11-20

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY SHALL BE TO PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH AND PARISHES OF YELVERTOFT, ELIKINGTON, CLAY COTON AND STANFORD ON AVON AND THE SURROUNDING AREA (HEREINAFTER CALLED THE AREA OF BENEFIT) WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, INCLUDING USE FOR MEETING, LECTURES AND CLASSES, AND FOR OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION, WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE INHABITANTS.

**Activities:** Provision of Village Hall facilities for local organisations, including hall, sports field, kitchen, pocket park, children's play area, skateboard park. Maintenance of these facilities.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** PARISH OF YELVERTOFT
- Northamptonshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£111,097	£108,081	-	-
2024-09-30	£36,765	£36,765	-	-
2023-09-30	£53,217	£39,715	-	-
2022-09-30	£38,762	£51,531	-	-
2021-09-30	£40,506	£27,129	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>ROGER BENJAMIN LLOYD GRIFFITHS BSC DIPFLI</b>	Chair	1998-08-17
Colin Cummings Mr		2024-03-12
David Rawes		2012-10-01
Elizabeth Mary Lowther		2021-11-09
Janice Elaine Pittam		2021-11-09
Michael Alan Larder		2019-10-01
Nigel Stephen Mercer		2022-03-15
ROBERT GRANVILLE FLANAGAN		2000-02-15
Sharon Ruth Mills		2025-01-01

**YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL**

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# Accounts

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YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL  
 BALANCE SHEET  
 AS AT 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

2024		2025
	<u>Fixed Assets</u>	
199,805.79	Property	199,805.79
	<u>Current Assets</u>	
	Cash at Bank	
6,553.58	No2 Account	14,334.88
15,370.70	Saver Account	10,605.78
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<u>221,730.07</u>		<u>224,746.45</u>

**Represented By:**

231,381.88	BALANCE as at 1st October 2024	221,730.07
(9,651.81)	Add: excess of income over expenditure	3,016.38
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<u>221,730.07</u>	BALANCE as at 30th September 2025	<u>224,746.45</u>

R GRIFFITHS  
 Chairman

*RBL Griffiths*  
*24<sup>th</sup> February 2026*

S MILLS  
 TREASURER

*SR Mills*  
*20/2/26*

YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL  
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

2024		2025	2024		2025
£	INCOME	£	£	EXPENDITURE	£
9,737.75	Private Hire	9,360.25	6,890.20	Heating and Lighting	5,970.02
920.00	Village Clubs - Bowls	880.00	11,752.85	Repairs and Maintenance	8,407.56
250.00	Village Clubs - WI	275.00	326.74	Water Rates/Rates appeal	471.38
540.00	Village Clubs - Badminton	580.00	2,547.50	Insurance	2,316.00
600.00	Village Clubs - Cricket	-	251.60	Licences	549.26
-	Village Clubs - Football	249.90	1,279.24	Waste Disposal	1,128.72
200.00	Village Clubs - Choir	200.00	2,450.38	Cleaning & Consumables	2,465.34
940.00	Village clubs - Table Tennis	1,020.00	1,862.60	Health & Safety	741.00
2,543.63	Film Nights	1,065.32	1,236.66	Film Nights	461.35
1,546.51	Theatre	1,182.83	389.40	Theatre	426.62
2,055.20	Café	2,088.99	-	Café Expenses	70.57
2,200.00	Other Sport & Exercise	1760.00	449.37	Website & Communications	1,109.78
-	Fete	4,081.76	-	Fete	2,742.73
3,900.00	Pre School	4,195.00	-		-
2,265.00	Pet Show Clubs	1,800.00	-		-
1,274.00	200 Club	1,196.00	560.00	200 Club	640.00
3,000.00	Deposits received	3,610.00	3,150.00	Deposits returned	3,870.00
1,180.00	Donations	2,505.66	1,291.42	Stage Lighting	-
2,121.30	Grants - YPC	10,784.57	288.00	Signage	-
-	Grants - Capital NCF	12,500.00	11,691.00	Solar Panels	-
-	Grants - Capital BIFFA	50,000.00			
-	Grants - Access to Nature	-	-	Access to Nature	-
1,230.38	PV Generation	1,527.29		New Playground/Turf/Fencing	76,711.00
261.38	Interest	235.08			
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36,765.15		111,097.65	46,416.96		108,081.00
			-		
			(9,651.81)	Excess of expenditure over income	3,016.38
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<u>36,765.15</u>		<u>111,097.65</u>	<u>36,765.15</u>		<u>111,097.65</u>

Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee

(Charity No. 304457)

Treasurer's Annual Report for year ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025

AGM

I wish to thank Francis Powell for independently examining the accounts.

### Overview

Income £111,097.65 (2024: £36,765.15). Income split 2025: Non-grant income £37,813.08, grants received £73,284.57 (2024: Non-grant income £34,644, grants received £2,121).

Expenditure £108,081 (2024: £46,416)

### Income & Expenditure

Private hire of the Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> party sports and pet show clubs income increased to £16,125.15 (2024: £14,202). The addition of a weekly table tennis session has proved particularly popular. The Village Fete took place again this year, having income of £4081.76 and expenditure of £2,742.73. A couple of items remain to be received and/or paid as at year end. It is planned that our next fete will take place in 2027.

Film nights, theatre events, and the running of a Last Saturday Café once a month remain important to help community spirit. 2025 income £4,337.14, expenditure £958.54

Block booking of the Club Room and use of our Wifi by the Yelvertoft Pre-School continues to provide a constant income stream £4,104 (2024 £3,900). The 200 Club prize draw provided useful income £1,196, expenditure £640.

Repairs and maintenance costs were £8,407.56 (2024: £11,752) including tree surgery (£1,850) to facilitate new playground works. Also included £592.80 for a fridge/freezer, £750 to cover the bridge repair in the pocket park and removal of defunct playground equipment. Energy costs were contained due to the very warm summer £5,970.02 (2024 £6,890)

The refurbishment of the children's playground facilities has finally been achieved, after fundraising efforts over several years. The overall cost of the project was £107,301 (including additional turf and picket fencing) – this was funded by grants from BIFFA (£75,000) and Northamptonshire Community Fund (£20,000.00), with the balance drawn from a variety of sources (Yelvertoft Parish Council (£7271), Yelvertoft Educational Charity (£1,000), Hollowell Steam Rally (£200), the estate of Geoffrey Heighton (a resident - £1,000) and a raffle organised by interested parents (£1,211). A grand opening was held on the 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025. Grants for this project provided during this year totalled £62,500, with the remainder to be paid during 2025/6. The balance of costs still due to the contractor at year end was £31,183.

Yelvertoft Parish Council reimbursed the playground portion of the insurance premium and annual inspection of the playground facilities.

**YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL**  
**CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT**  
2<sup>ND</sup> February 2026

There have been two main highlights during the year – the village fete and the opening of the new children's play area. The bi-annual fete was very successful due to careful planning by a sub-committee over many preceding months. Hundreds from the village community and further afield attended the fete and enjoyed the wide range of attractions and refreshments which also helped to raise funds for the Hall and the parish church. On the same day our MP Stuart Andrew formally opened the play area to the many children eagerly waiting to use the equipment for the first time. This project took many months to come to fruition thanks to grants from BIFFA, the Yelvertoft Wind Farm Community Fund, Yelvertoft Parish Council, Yelvertoft Educational Charity and private donations. In addition, several volunteers gave their time and energy to prepare the play area for its opening.

The Hall has been used for a wide variety of activities throughout the year including Yelvertoft Pre-School, theatrical and singing performances both indoors and at the Theatre by the Pond, film shows, bowls, badminton, keep fit, table tennis, Tai Chi, WI, meetings, private functions and parties, wedding receptions, dog clubs and dog training.

The monthly Last Saturday Café continues to be well attended and provides a regular opportunity for socialising and enjoying tea, coffee and homemade cakes.

Cricket is now being played throughout the summer by a number of teams from the area with Yelvertoft's own sides having a very successful summer in their leagues, and football matches continue through the winter season.

Our committee seeks to continuously improve the Hall. This year we have new exhibition display stands thanks to a grant from Yelvertoft Parish Council, and a grant from Yelvertoft Solar Farm has paid for new curtains in the hall. Our kitchen equipment has also been upgraded thanks to using some of our own reserves and a grant from Hollowell Steam Rally where volunteers helped at the two-day event. A new glass washer has been installed due to a private donation. We have also invested in new maintenance equipment – a heavy-duty mower, a hedge trimmer and grass strimmer.

The Hall is grateful for the Parish Council's contribution to part of our insurance costs.

The Pocket Park continues to be well used and is regularly maintained and monitored for wildlife and habitat diversity. Volunteer working groups have carried out various tasks and Yelvertoft Environmental Group hosted a Wildlife Afternoon helped by the local Wildlife Trust. A two-year management plan has been devised with the help of the Wildlife Trust and is the basis of a grant application for new equipment, professional advice and events aimed at attracting families, children and more volunteers.

The Village Hall and all its facilities continue to thrive as a successful community asset due to dedicated support from its committee and from many members of our local community. Thanks are extended to all who contribute in so many ways.

Roger Griffiths

Chair of Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee



**CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's report on the  
accounts**

**Section A Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees**

Charity Name  
MELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL

**On accounts for the year ended**

30 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025	Charity no (if any)	304457
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**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 30/09/2025

**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: F. Powell

Date: 04/02/2026

Name: FRANCIS POWELL

**Relevant professional qualification(s) or body**

(if any):

Address:

**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

**YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL**

England & Wales - Charity number 304457

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# Accounts

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Yelvertoft Village Hall

Statement of Accounts

For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL  
BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2024**

<b>2023</b>		<b>2024</b>
	<u>Fixed Assets</u>	
199,805.79	Property	199,805.79
	<u>Current Assets</u>	
	Cash at Bank	
9,466.77	No2 Account	6,553.58
22,109.32	Saver Account	15,370.70
<u>231,381.88</u>		<u>221,730.07</u>

**Represented By:**

	217,879.84 BALANCE as at 1st October 2023	231,381.88
	13,502.04 Less: excess of income over expenditure	(9,651.81)
<u>231,381.88</u>	BALANCE as at 30th September 2024	<u>221,730.07</u>

R GRIFFITHS  
Chairman

*RBL Griffiths 6 March 2025*

F POWELL  
Treasurer

*F. Powell 6 March 2025*

I confirm that I have examined the above Balance Sheet as at 30th September 2024 and annexed Income and Expenditure Account for the year then ended with the books, vouchers and receipts which are correct and in accordance therewith.



Simon Towers  
Clifford Towers  
The Hall  
Priory Hill  
Rugby Road  
Wolston  
CV8 3FZ

19 February 2025

**YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL**  
**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2024**

2023		2024		2023		2024	
£	INCOME	£		£	EXPENDITURE	£	
8,093.00	Private Hire	9,737.75		5,102.08	Heating and Lighting	6,890.20	
1,236.00	Village Clubs - Bowls	920.00		10,519.88	Repairs and Maintenance	11,752.85	
300.00	Village Clubs - WI	250.00		492.88	Water Rates	326.74	
710.00	Village Clubs - Badminton	540.00		2,539.05	Insurance	2,547.50	
600.00	Village Clubs - Cricket	600.00		568.90	Licences	251.60	
216.58	Village Clubs - Football	-		1,346.56	Waste Disposal	1,279.24	
160.00	Village Clubs - Choir	200.00		2,094.05	Cleaning & Consumables	2,450.38	
700.00	Village clubs - Table Tennis	940.00		1,283.70	Health & Safety	1,862.60	
1,820.99	Film Nights	2,543.63		538.37	Film Nights	1,236.66	
2,938.05	Theatre	1,546.51		1,277.49	Theatre	389.40	
1,621.41	Café	2,055.20		-		-	
1,757.50	Other Sport & Exercise	2,200.00		503.78	Website & Communications	449.37	
4,977.31	Fete	-		3,355.86	Fete	-	
2,965.00	Pre School	3,900.00		-		-	
1,283.00	Pet Show Clubs	2,265.00		-		-	
1,192.00	200 Club	1,274.00		600.00	200 Club	560.00	
3,595.00	Deposits received	3,000.00		3,100.00	Deposits returned	3,150.00	
94.99	Donations	1,180.00		-	Stage Lighting	1,291.42	
1,927.77	Grants - YPC	2,121.30		624.81	Signage	288.00	
15,588.00	Grants - Capital NCF	-		3,897.00	Solar Panels	11,691.00	
570.86	Grants - Access to Nature	-		1,870.20	Access to Nature	-	
794.84	PV Generation	1,230.38					
74.35	Interest	261.38					
<u>53,216.65</u>		<u>36,765.15</u>		<u>39,714.61</u>		<u>46,416.96</u>	
				13,502.04	Excess of expenditure over income	(9,651.81)	
<u><u>53,216.65</u></u>		<u><u>36,765.15</u></u>		<u><u>53,216.65</u></u>		<u><u>36,765.15</u></u>	

**Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee**

**(Charity No. 304457)**

**Treasurer's annual report for year ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024.**

**AGM 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025**

I wish to thank Simon Towers of Simon Towers & Clifford Towers Accountants for examining the accounts Pro bono.

**Overview**

Income £36,765 (2023: £53,216). Income split 2024: Non grant income £34,644, grants received £2,121. (2023: Non grant income £35,130, Grants received £18,087).

Expenditure £46,416 (2023: £39,714).

**Income & Expenditure**

Private Hire of the Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> party sports and pet show clubs income increased to £14,202 (2023: £11,133). The fete in year 2023, having income of £4,977 and expenditure of £3,355, is planned to be run again in 2025.

Film nights, theatre events, and the running of a Saturday Café once a month remain important to help the community spirit. 2024 income £6,144, expenditure £1,624

Block booking of the Club Room by the Yelvertoft Pre-School continues to provide a steady income stream of £3,900 (2023: £2,965). The 200 Club prize draw enhanced the hall funds – income £1,274, expenditure £560.

Repairs and maintenance costs were £11,752 (2023: £10,519) this included an expenditure of £5,365 on replacement chairs & tables and crockery. Energy costs increased significantly with the old 3 year fixed price contract ending in July 2022 – Expenditure £6,890 (2023: £5,102). The current 3 year fixed price contract ends July 2025. A new cheaper 3 year tariff has been entered into for the period Aug 2025 to July 2028.

Yelvertoft Parish council reimbursed the insurance premium and annual inspection of the Outside playground facilities £1,421. The Parish council also gave a grant of £700 towards the cost of broadband installation which will be spent in December 2024.

A grant of £15,588 was received from Northamptonshire Community Foundation re the Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund for additional PV panels in 2022/23. The remaining 75% cost of £11,691 was paid in the year with the project going live February 2024.

Francis Powell

Treasurer

Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee

YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT  
COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT  
10<sup>th</sup> March 2025

The Hall and its surroundings continue to thrive only due to the contribution of many dedicated volunteers and helpers to whom I extend my gratitude. The Hall has been used for a wide variety of activities throughout the year including Pre-School, theatrical and singing performances both indoors and at the Theatre by the pond, film shows, bowls, badminton, table tennis, Tai Chi, WI, scouts, cubs and beavers, general meetings, business seminars, private functions and parties, wedding receptions, and dog clubs. The Last Saturday Café each month and film nights have continued and are particularly important in providing opportunities for socialising and strengthening community spirit. Thanks are extended to the social events sub-committee for organizing fund raising entertainment.

Cricket has been very active during the summer season hosting Yelvertoft cricket club, community groups from Rugby, and Houlton cricket club which brings ancillary benefits of increased hiring of the Hall's facilities for private events. Football also returned over the winter season.

Throughout the year there have been various improvements such as:

provision of new crockery,  
installation of wifi and receipt of exhibition stands (both funded by the Parish Council),  
essential maintenance of the septic tank,  
upgrade of the fire safety system,  
repair of potholes in the car park,  
rendering and a new sign applied to a gable end wall,  
repair of handrails in the Theatre by the Pond and the bridge into the Pocket Park.

All these are essential to maintaining a good quality community facility and they contribute to an average cost of about £56 per day to keep the Village Hall running. We are grateful to the Parish Council for paying the Hall's insurance and annual play area safety inspection.

During the year use of the skatepark has declined. After consulting with residents, and due to continually increasing costs of maintenance, the skatepark has been removed. In the interim the space will be used for overflow car parking.

Fund raising for the play area refurbishment project has progressed and about a third of the potential cost has been raised or pledged so far. The outcome of a grant application for the remaining costs is awaited and if this is successful the new equipment and surfacing should be completed in the summer.

Through the Northamptonshire Community Foundation I was invited to meet our MP in the Houses of Parliament to raise the kind of issues the Hall as a charity faces. This is intended to lead to further discussions and better inform our MP of local needs.

The Pocket Park is undergoing regular maintenance work and Yelvertoft Environmental Group hosted a successful wildlife afternoon based in the Theatre and the Pocket Park.

Finally, thanks are extended to everyone who helps to keep the Hall and outside facilities running, and to raise funds, and to organise events. Everyone is a volunteer of this important local charity which serves the whole village community.

Roger Griffiths

Chair of Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee

**YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL**

England & Wales - Charity number 304457

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# Accounts

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## Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee

(Charity No. 304457)

Treasurer's annual report for year ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

AGM 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024

I wish to thank Simon Towers of Simon Towers & Clifford Towers Accountants for examining the accounts Pro bono.

### Overview

The Village Hall has seen utilisation significantly pick up following a few difficult years during the COVID pandemic. Hall bookings are now ahead of pre COVID levels.

Income £53,217 (2021: £38,762). Income split 2023: Non grant income £35,130, grants received £18,087. (2022: Non grant income £20,545, Grants received £18,217).

Expenditure £39,714 (2022: £51,539)

### Income & Expenditure

Private Hire of the Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> party sports and dog clubs income increased to £11,133 (2022: £8,784). The regular local clubs and societies Hall hiring increased to £3,922 (2022: £1,664) and saw the introduction of a table tennis club.

Film nights, theatre events, and the running of a Saturday Café once a month have gone from strength to strength and more importantly helped the community spirit. 2023 income £6,380, expenditure £1,816 (2022: income £1,587, expenditure £349).

In September in conjunction with the local All Saints church, the inaugural bi-annual village fete proved a great success. Income £4,977 (which included a £500 donation from Yelvertoft Parish council), Expenditure £3,356 (which included a contribution to the All Saints Church of £1,621, a £200 donation to the local scouts group who were a great help on the day and a £50 donation to the Village Reading Room).

Block booking of the Club Room by the Yelvertoft Pre-School continues to provide a steady income stream of £2,965 (2022: £2,005). The 200 Club prize draw enhanced the hall funds – income £1,192, expenditure £600 (2021: £1,246, expenditure £720).

Repairs and maintenance costs were £10,520 (2022: £11,396) this included an expenditure of £6,570 on car park pot hole maintenance. Energy costs increased significantly with the old 3 year fixed price contract ending in July 2022 – Expenditure £5,102 (2022: £2,420). A new 3 year fixed price contract has been taken out ending July 2025.

Yelvertoft Parish council reimbursed the insurance premium and annual inspection of the Outside playground facilities £1,327. Total insurance costs, licences and health & safety costs £4,390 (2022: £5,539).

The Access to Nature project completed with expenditure in the year of £1,870. This was partly funded by a grant of £571 from West Northamptonshire Council. New external signage was installed at a cost of £625 mainly funded by a grant from Yelvertoft Parish council of £600.

A grant of £15,588 was received from Northamptonshire Community Foundation re the Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund for additional PV panels. A 25% deposit of £3,897 was paid in the year with the project expected to be completed in 2024.

Francis Powell

Treasurer

Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee

YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT  
2nd February 2024

During this last year the Hall has been used and enjoyed by an increasing number of people resulting in our income surpassing pre-pandemic levels. Most regular clubs and organisations have returned to their activities and a new table tennis club was formed which is proving to be a continuing success. It is regrettable that the football club was not active in the 2023/24 season but it is hoped that it will start again next winter. Meanwhile the cricketers have had an unprecedented successful summer as their 1<sup>st</sup> eleven won the Northamptonshire Cricket League's 8<sup>th</sup> Division. In addition, teams from Houlton and Rugby have played regularly on Wednesdays and weekends bringing a greater number of players and supporters to our facilities. It has taken some time for normal socialising to return but the Last Saturday Café each month and the film nights are well attended. We installed a new coffee machine for the Last Saturday Café funded by the Hollowell Steam and Heavy Horse Show. The Bowls, Badminton and Tai Chi activities have continued and in May the Hall was set up to allow anyone to watch the coronation ceremony of King Charles and Queen Camilla. In September a successful inaugural bi-annual village fete took place organised by the All-Saints parish church and Village Hall with many other groups and individuals contributing their time and efforts. Thanks are extended to the Parish Council for a financial donation to help set up the event.

There was a successful summer performance of Twelfth Night in the Theatre by the Pond and Yelvertoft Environmental Group hosted a wildlife afternoon based in the Theatre and the Pocket Park.

PreSchool continues to be based in part of the Hall and have a full number of children who regularly use the outdoor facilities, Pocket Park and play area. Proposals to update the play area are in progress and a working group is being set up to manage the project.

The Access to Nature project in the Pocket Park, partly funded by Hall funds and Daventry District Council has been completed. A new sign board is in place with QR codes located through the various habitats where links to the website explain in detail what a visitor can see. A wind-up audio post, funded by a bequest of Geoff Helliwell, offers eight topics to listen to such as aspects of the Pocket Park, the Hall's history and the surrounding area.

Additional solar panels have been installed to cover the remaining available area of the Hall's roof thanks to a grant from the Yelvertoft Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund.

During the year storage in the old hall has been rationalised, exterior surfaces of all doors repainted, and new chairs and tables purchased.

We are grateful to Yelvertoft Parish Council who reimbursed the insurance premium and annual inspection of the play area and skatepark.

Finally, thanks are extended to everyone who helps to keep the Hall and outside facilities running, and to raise funds, and to organise events. Everyone is a volunteer of this important local charity which serves the whole village community.

Roger Griffiths  
Chair of Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee

**YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL**

England & Wales - Charity number 304457

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YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT  
14th March 2023

This last year has been a time of recovery from the pandemic and there has been an overwhelming need for people to get back together again and continue activities enjoyed before the disruption to our normal way of life. The Village Hall has responded to this and the Last Saturday Café each month has been well attended and the film nights have also been popular. After installing a new sound system and the noise reduction panels the films are enjoyed more easily in the main hall. Although there is still a degree of caution for some to socialise a new table tennis group is meeting every week and is now a popular activity. In addition, new Tai Chi and yoga classes have started in the Hall.

Management of the Hall has been under scrutiny resulting in a review of the role of volunteers, identifying the need for a vice chair and the formation of an entertainments subcommittee. The ability to take contactless payments has been welcomed as a new introduction. This year also marked the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Village Hall's establishment in Yelvertoft.

We are grateful for grants from the Yelvertoft and Lilbourne Wind Farm Funds and the Parish Council. These have helped to repair the steps in the Theatre by the Pond which hosted various activities including a production of "As You Like It" in the summer. The Parish Council also assisted with the payment of insurances. Potholes in the car park were repaired from the Hall's funds.

In May the Jubilee weekend celebrations were successful as the result of the coordinated efforts of many in the community.

Cricket and football continue to be played and the cricket facilities have been regularly hired by teams outside Yelvertoft. New signs are being erected around the whole site to give updated and clearer information and in particular, pointing out that no dogs are permitted on the sports field.

Thanks are also extended to the Parish Council for assisting with the payment of the signs.

Preschool has undergone a successful Ofsted inspection and they regularly use the outdoor facilities and play area. Proposals for updating or replacing the play area are being considered and a scheme for supplementing the solar panels on the Hall's roof is under way.

More progress has been made in the Pocket Park for which a new website is live, a signboard is soon to be erected near the entrance and audio files are ready for recording on to an audio post. QR codes are to be located around the Park and will link to the website for more explanation of the area.

In conclusion thanks are extended to everyone who helps to keep the Hall and outside facilities running, and to raise funds, and to organise events. Everyone is a volunteer of this important local charity which serves the whole village community.

Roger Griffiths  
Chair of Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee

## **Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee**

**(Charity No. 304457)**

**Treasurer's annual report for year ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022.**

**AGM 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

I wish to thank Simon Towers of Simon Towers & Clifford Towers Accountants for examining the accounts Pro bono.

### **Overview**

The start of the financial year was still in an environment of COVID 19 and as such use of the Hall's facilities was limited. People's confidence of booking events picked up as the year progressed and the second half of the year saw bookings higher than pre COVID levels.

Income £38,762 (2021: £40,506). Income split 2022: Grants received £18,217, all other income £20,545. (2021: Grants received £31,659, all other income £8,847).

During the winter whilst the hall was relatively quiet major expenditure projects were undertaken to improve the Hall experience and running costs. These including installing an Air Source heating system, installing acoustic panels and a long term repair to the outside theatre steps.

Expenditure £51,531 (2021: £27,129)

### **Income & Expenditure**

Private Hire of the Hall increased to £5,106 (2021: £588). The regular local clubs and societies Hall hiring increased to £1,664 (2021: £943). Other non-local regulars, including Dog Clubs and Sport field usage increased to £3,678 (2021: £590).

Re-introduction of film nights, theatre events, and the new initiative of running a Saturday Café once a month has not only increased income but more importantly helped the community spirit. 2022 income £1,587, expenditure £349 (2021: income £740, expenditure nil). In June there was a one-off Jubilee event for the community intended to breakeven - Income £1,134, expenditure £1,107.

The committee introduced a new booking and invoice system in the second half of the year which simplified processes and enabled an introduction of security deposits prior to a hire booking and returned post hire – 2022 deposits taken in advance £2,595, deposits returned post event £1,920. The difference due to timing.

Block booking of the Club Room by the Yelvertoft Pre-School continues to provide a steady income stream of £2,002 (2021: £2,014). The 200 Club prize draw enhances the hall funds – 2022; income £1,246, expenditure £720 (2021: income including a prior year catch up £1,862, expenditure £720).

The committee spent £14,122 installed a new Air Source system in the main hall along with improved insulation to reduce ongoing energy costs. This was mainly funded by a grant received of £11,708 from Northamptonshire Community Foundation re the Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund. Electricity costs were £2,419 (2021: £2,309) and PV income including a catch up from the previous year £1,369 (2021: nil). The Hall has significantly benefited from a 3 year electricity fixed price contract that ended in July 2022. The Hall has now entered into a new 3 year contract with much greater tariffs. As such the committee agreed to a significant increase on all Hall future rental charges from the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022 with the aim to offset energy and other inflationary pressures and ensure the long term viability of the Hall.

Repairs and maintenance costs were £11,396 (2021: 7,248) this included a long-term repair to the outside theatre steps costing £7,204. This was partly funded by a grant of £768 from Yelvertoft Parish Council re the Lilbourne Windfarm Community Fund.

Yelvertoft Parish council reimbursed the insurance premium and annual inspection of the Outside playground facilities £1,255. Total insurance costs, licences and health & safety costs £5,539 (2021: £2,615).

The final COVID 19 grant from West Northamptonshire Council was received £2,667 (2021: £17,335).

The Access to Nature project expenditure in the year was £2,864. This was partly funded by a grant of £1,819 from West Northamptonshire Council.

To enhance the sound experience in the Hall and improve future bookings potential, Accoustic panels were installed at a cost of £6,347.

The committee improved and relaunched the Hall web site whilst contracting to a Wifi provider and mobile phone provider - £1,408 (2021: £216).

Francis Powell

Treasurer

Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee

YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL  
BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2022

2021		2022
£		£
	<u>Fixed Assets</u>	
199,805.79	Property	199,805.79
	<u>Current Assets</u>	
	Cash at Bank	
25,810.44	No2 Account	13,039.08
5,032.78	Saver Account	5,034.97
<u>230,649.01</u>		<u>217,879.84</u>

**Represented By:**

217,272.88	BALANCE as at 1st October 2021	230,649.01
13,376.13	Less: excess of expenditure over income	(12,769.17)
<u>230,649.01</u>	BALANCE as at 30th September 2022	<u>217,879.84</u>

R GRIFFITHS  
Chairman

*RBL Griffiths*

F POWELL  
Treasurer

*F Powell*

I confirm that I have examined the above Balance Sheet as at 30th September 2022 and annexed Income and Expenditure Account for the year then ended with the books, vouchers and receipts which are correct and in accordance therewith

*Simon Towers*

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4th March 2023

YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL  
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2022

2021 £ INCOME	2022 £	2021 £ EXPENDITURE	2022 £
588.75 Private Hire	5,105.63	2,309.71 Heating and Lighting	2,419.83
174.25 Village Clubs - Bowls	-	7,248.44 Repairs and Maintenance	11,396.25
42.75 Village Clubs - WI	222.50	55.11 Water Rates	316.24
97.50 Village Clubs - Badminton	536.25	2,093.03 Insurance	2,137.56
630.00 Village Clubs - Cricket	500.00	185.00 Licences	734.69
- Village Clubs - Football	249.90	725.15 Waste Disposal	1,083.06
Village Clubs - Choir	155.13	Cleaning	1,935.39
- Film Nights	549.66	720.00 200 Club	720.00
740.00 Theatre	316.80	- Sundry Expenses	-
- Café	722.45	100.00 Deposits returned	1,920.00
15.00 Other Sport & Exercise	748.00	337.20 Health & Safety	2,668.34
Jubilee	1,134.00	Jubilee	1,107.32
2,013.75 Pre School	2,005.25	215.85 Website & Communications	1,408.87
575.00 Dog Clubs	2,930.00	- Film Night	349.20
1,862.00 200 Club	1,246.00	6,000.00 Disabled footpaths etc	-
Deposits received	2,595.00	7,140.00 LED Lighting	-
107.00 Donations	157.16	- Air Source Heating and Insulation	14,122.44
2,476.00 Grants - YPC	2,023.09	- Accoustic Panels	6,347.84
24,968.00 Grants - DDC revenue	2,667.00	- Access to Nature	2,864.56
4,215.20 Grants - Capital NCF	11,708.00		
Grants - Access to Nature	1,819.14		
2,000.00 G Helliwell Bequest	-		
PV Generation	1,369.27		
0.42 Interest	2.19		
40,505.62	38,762.42	27,129.49	51,531.59
		13,376.13 Excess of income over expenditure	(12,769.17)
40,505.62	38,762.42	40,505.62	38,762.42

**YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL**

England & Wales - Charity number 304457

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YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT  
COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT  
15th March 2022

We have experienced another year disturbed by the Covid 19 pandemic resulting in fewer people able to use the Hall and most of our meetings being held on Zoom. During the last year the committee has undergone some changes due to resignations and retirement of long serving members. Nevertheless, we have welcomed replacement committee members who are contributing new ideas and refreshing enthusiasm. The committee also reviewed the Constitution which states that the charity exists to provide village hall facilities for the adjoining parishes of Elkington, Clay Coton and Stanford on Avon. We extended an invitation to them for committee representatives should they wish to play a part in our management activities.

Underlying our management principles are objectives to be as environmentally sensitive as possible and to address climate change issues. Encouraged by the climate summit COP 26 in November 2021 we reassessed our environmental priorities. Top of the list was the replacement of the heating in the main hall. Consequently, air source heating has been installed, roof space insulation increased throughout the building and the hall's doors have been draught proofed. This will reduce electricity costs and improve our carbon footprint, remove the noisy convection heaters and provide a more comfortable room. Simultaneously the sound quality in the hall has been improved by the installation of sound panels meaning that a wider range of activities can take place without the sound echoing around. A grant from the Yelvertoft Community Wind Farm Fund supplemented by our own funds have enabled this to happen.

Continuing the environmental theme, the Pocket Park has received grants from West Northamptonshire Council, the Lilbourne Wind Farm Fund via Yelvertoft Parish Council and a generous bequest from Geoff Helliwell. These funds will result in a new website, an interpretation signboard with QR codes placed around the various habitats to explain their features and the installation of a wind-up audio post so that visitors can listen to more about this valuable natural open space.

Various regular users of the hall and the sports pitches have restarted their activities and gradually some normality appears to be returning. Last summer productions of Romeo and Juliet took place at the Theatre by the Pond and were very popular. More outside performances are planned in the coming year but the access steps in the Theatre require repairs. The Parish Council have awarded a grant from the Lilbourne Wind Farm Fund and other grant applications have been submitted to enable the work to be completed. Thanks are also extended to the Parish Council for assisting with the payment of insurances.

The Village Hall website has been revised incorporating a new booking system and this is combined with wider publicity of the Hall's facilities and events. The Last Saturday Café has started to help bring the local community together again and will continue each last Saturday of the month.

Finally, I would like to thank the committee members whose dedicated voluntary efforts have been particularly valuable this last year and everyone else's help that supports the Village Hall in many different ways enabling it to continue being a successful community asset.

Roger Griffiths

Chair of Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee

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Simon

YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021

YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL  
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YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

2020		2021
£		£
	<u>Fixed Assets</u>	
199,805.79	Property	199,805.79
	<u>Current Assets</u>	
	Cash at Bank	
12,434.73	No2 Account	25,810.44
5,032.36	Saver Account	5,032.78
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217,272.88		230,649.01
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	<b>Represented By:</b>	
214,309.67	BALANCE as at 1st October 2020	217,272.88
2,963.21	Add: excess of income over expenditure	13,376.13
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217,272.88	BALANCE as at 30th September 2021	230,649.01
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R.GRIFFITHS  
Chairman

*RBL Griffiths*

R.FLANAGAN  
Treasurer

*R.Flanagan*

I confirm that I have examined the above Balance Sheet at 30th September 2021 and annexed Income and Expenditure Account for the year then ended with the books, accounts, vouchers and receipts which are correct and in accordance therewith.

*Clifford Towers*

10th February 2022

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**YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021**

2020		2021	2020		2021
£	INCOME	£	£	EXPENDITURE	£
1,261.95	Private Hire	588.75	2,971.39	Heating & Lighting	2,309.71
297.50	Bowls	174.25	14,725.77	Repairs and Maintenance	7,248.44
217.00	Theatre	740.00	249.16	Water Rates	55.11
1,260.00	Dog Clubs	575.00	2,010.78	Insurance	2,093.03
390.00	Badminton	97.50	443.16	Licences	185.00
1,617.00	Pre School	2,013.75	736.24	Waste Disposal	725.15
85.00	W.I	42.75	420.00	200 Club	720.00
556.67	Cricket	630.00	-	Sundry Expenses	-
6.32	Interest	0.42	329.75	Deposits returned	100.00
24.00	Donations	107.00	351.00	Health & Safety	337.20
468.00	200 Club	1,862.00	307.00	Fund raising expenses	-
1,132.49	YPC grants	2,476.00	7,800.00	LED lighting	7,140.00
10,000.00	DDC Revenue grant	24,968.00	-	Website	215.85
500.00	COOP grant	-	-	Disabled footpaths etc	6,000.00
980.78	PV Generation	-			
	The G Helliwell	2,000.00			
-	Keep fit	15.00			
300.00	Hollowell Steam Rally	-			
80.75	Ladies Choir	-			
14,000.00	Capital Grants - NCF	4,215.20			
130.00	Film Nights	-			
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33,307.46		40,505.62	30,344.25		27,129.49
	Excess of income over expenditure		2,963.21	Excess of income over expenditure	13,376.13
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17,153.16		40,505.62	17,153.16		40,505.62
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## **Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee**

**(Charity No 304457)**

### **Treasurers report AGM 2022**

**March 15th 2022**

*I'd like to present the accounts for the year ending the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021.*

*I wish to thank Simon Towers of 'Simon Towers & Clifford Towers Accountants' for auditing the account Pro bono. Simon has confirmed he is happy to audit the accounts next year.*

Owing to the Covid 19 pandemic use of the Halls facilities has been severely limited since March 2020 and these results reflect this continuing situation during the reported financial year. However we have, during the March and November 2020 and January 2021 lockdowns, accessed grant funding totalling £17,335 to support the ongoing expenditure at the Hall. Some of these grants will be shown in the account for 2021/22. I would like to thank Frances Harris at Northamptonshire ACRE for her support and advice throughout 2020/21 particularly with regard to issues relating to Covid 19 and access to Grant funding.

#### **Income**

Private hire of the Hall shows a decrease on 2020 from £1261 to £588. Our regular local clubs and societies have contributed a total of £1,534 when hiring the Hall for their activities. Other non local regulars, included in this total, are Dog Clubs and Dog Training who have contributed £575.

Block booking of the Club Room by Yelvertoft Pre-School on weekdays continues to provide a steady income stream this year of £2,013. The 200 Club prize draw income enhances the Hall funds. Joan Hewitt is our 200 club co-ordinator; it is a very welcome element of our fundraising and the 200 club income this financial year was £1,862 this figure includes missed subscriptions not collected for the account in 2020. All subscriptions are now up to date. Thank you Joan and also your volunteer collectors.

The Village Hall Committee received a Capital grant for £4,215 from Defra and local sources to complete the boundary hedge laying project which was completed in April 2021.

The Government, through Daventry District Council, awarded us several Covid related support grants for hospitality venues totalling £24,968.

Yelvertoft Parish Council reimburses us the insurance premium for the Outside playground facilities and the cost of an independent Annual inspection this totalled £2,476.

The Photo Voltaic panels are still generating income but the payments for this financial year have been delayed.

A bequest of £2,000 was received from the estate of Geoff Helliwell. Geoff was an enthusiastic and tireless supporter of the Village Hall for many years. With his family's approval the bequest will be spent as part of the Access to Nature project which is currently nearing completion.

Other donations total £107 for the year.

Use of the Theatre by the Pond, within a Covid secure environment, generated £740.

Bank interest for the year totalled £0.42p.

## **Expenditure**

Heating and Lighting is a major expense at £2,309 in 2020/21

We changed our service provider in July 2019 to Haven Power (fixed rate 3 year contract which is due for renewal July 2022.)

Hall repairs and Maintenance, £7,248; Including in this is the Defra funded hedge laying project £3,260, Also general maintenance activities, inspections and repair of fire safety equipment as well as the supply of consumable items for daily use in the Hall.

Other principle expenses:-, Water charges £55, Insurance £2,093, Waste disposal £725.

This year Licence fees cost £185.

The 200 Club draw, three times a year, a total of £720 in prizes has been distributed.

Returned damage deposits following private hire was £100.

Health & Safety expenditure £337 covers the annual playground inspection fee.

We have no Fund raising expenses to report for this financial year.

LED lights replacement project £7,140 – this was the final payment; total project cost being £14,940. The project was completed in August 2020.

The Hall is a registered charity and this has the advantage that we attract mandatory Business Rate Relief of 80% The local authority can, and does, grant us a further 20% discretionary relief.

The contingency fund on 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 2021 stands at £5,032.78 and the regular bank account £25,810.44.

### ***Hall Fees***

Hire rates are reviewed by the Committee from time to time and published on the Village Hall web site ([www.yelvertoftvillagehall.co.uk](http://www.yelvertoftvillagehall.co.uk)) together with access to the Approved Hire Agreement and other documentation.

*R.Flanagan*

*Treasurer*

*Yelvertoft Village Hall Management Committee*

*15th March 2022*