

FRAMFIELD MEMORIAL HALL AND RECREATION GROUND

England & Wales · Charity number 305228

Details

Other names FRAMFIELD RECREATION GROUND

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1964-02-17

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

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Activities

Objects: (1) THE OBJECT OF THE CHARITY IS, IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE, TO IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE AREA OF BENEFIT WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF: (A) A VILLAGE HALL FOR USE BY THE INHABITANTS, INCLUDING USE FOR: (I) MEETINGS, LECTURES AND CLASSES, AND (II) OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION; AND (B) A RECREATION GROUND FOR USE BY THE INHABITANTS.(2) THE LAND NUMBERED 1 IN THE SCHEDULE TO THE SCHEME MUST BE RETAINED BY THE TRUSTEE FOR USE FOR THE PURPOSES OF A VILLAGE HALL FOR USE BY THE INHABITANTS.(3) THE LAND NUMBERED 2 IN THE SCHEDULE TO THE SCHEME MUST BE RETAINED BY THE TRUSTEE FOR USE AS A RECREATION GROUND FOR THE USE BY THE INHABITANTS.

Activities: Public recreation grounds.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** FRAMFIELD AND ITS NEIGHBOURHOOD
- East Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£29,289	£33,272	-	-
2024-03-31	£25,413	£16,481	-	-
2023-03-31	£22,142	£15,713	-	-
2022-03-31	£24,307	£20,509	-	-
2021-03-31	£16,813	£7,966	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
FRAMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL		

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2025

Charity Name: Framfield Memorial Hall and Recreation Ground Trust
Registered Charity Number: 305228

Trustees: The sole trustee of the charity is **Framfield Parish Council**.

Objectives and Activities

The object of the Trust is to provide and maintain a village hall and recreation ground for the benefit of the inhabitants of Framfield and the surrounding area, without distinction of political, religious, or other opinions. The facilities are provided to advance education, social welfare, recreation, and leisure-time occupations, with the aim of improving the conditions of life for the local community.

During the year, the Trust continued to fulfil its objectives by:

- Providing the Memorial Hall for hire by local groups, organisations, and individuals for community, educational, and recreational activities.
- Maintaining the recreation ground and playground as a safe and accessible open space for residents and visitors to enjoy.

These activities support the community by providing affordable and inclusive spaces for social, cultural, and sporting activities.

Public Benefit

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The facilities are available for use by all members of the public in the local area, and charges for hire are kept at a level to encourage community use while contributing towards the ongoing maintenance of the facilities.

Achievements and Performance

During the year, the Trust:

- Continued to provide regular hall bookings for local groups and private events.
- Carried out routine maintenance and minor repairs to ensure the hall and grounds remain in good condition.
- Supported community use of the playground and recreation field throughout the year.

Usage of the hall and grounds remains consistent, although operational costs (such as energy and maintenance) have increased.

Financial Review

The Trust's income for the year was derived mainly from hall hire fees and community use of the facilities. Expenditure included insurance, utilities, routine maintenance, and other running costs.

The Trust operated at a small deficit for the year, reflecting increased running costs and some reduction in hall hire income. However, it holds adequate reserves to offset the shortfall and to maintain operations in the coming year. The trustees consider the level of reserves to be satisfactory for the Trust's ongoing commitments.

No significant capital projects were undertaken during the year, but the trustees continue to monitor the condition of the facilities and plan for future maintenance and improvements as funds permit.

Reserves Policy

The Trust aims to maintain reserves sufficient to cover at least six months of operating costs and to provide for any emergency repairs or unexpected expenditure. Current reserves meet this policy target.

Plans for the Future

The Trust's objectives for the forthcoming year are to:

- Continue providing affordable community facilities at the Memorial Hall and recreation ground.
 - Undertake necessary maintenance to ensure the safety and usability of the playground and hall.
 - Explore opportunities to increase hall usage and income to move towards a break-even financial position.
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Structure, Governance, and Management

The Framfield Memorial Hall and Recreation Ground Trust is a charitable trust registered with the Charity Commission (No. 305228). The sole trustee is **Framfield Parish Council**, which administers the Trust in accordance with the governing document.

The Council meets regularly to review the management, maintenance, and financial performance of the Trust, and to make decisions regarding future plans and expenditure.

Agreed at the Full Council Meeting on 25th November 2025.

**Framfield Memorial Hall
Income & Expenditure**

3/31/2023	3/31/2024		6/30/2024	9/30/2024	12/31/2024
£	£	Income	£	£	£
20,281.00	22,693.72	Hall Hire	5,888.27	7,265.88	7,405.00
-	-	Interest	-	-	-
-	-	Donations	-	-	500.00
1,801.20	2,219.50	Market	303.00	310.00	556.90
60.00	500.00	Other	277.26	-	-
<u>22,142.20</u>	<u>25,413.22</u>		<u>6,468.53</u>	<u>7,575.88</u>	<u>8,461.90</u>
		Overheads			
-	-	VAT	-	-	-
3,237.87	724.50	Heating/Oil	724.50	672.00	-
1,114.94	521.16	Electricity	-	529.31	388.39
1,074.33	538.57	Rates and water	307.84	70.94	82.07
2,520.93	5,889.22	Repairs	7,522.95	9,213.95	1,871.00
1,182.44	1,806.00	Booking/caretaker	340.00	440.00	340.00
2,342.89	1,813.48	Cleaning	433.18	558.64	514.88
3,605.94	3,606.98	Handyman	607.22	910.83	1,214.44
139.20	154.80	PRS	-	81.00	-
189.60	117.60	Fire equipment	-	141.60	-
304.54	185.15	Market expenses	33.58	22.98	127.10
-	1,123.92	Sundry & Professional Fees	-	-	1,256.40
<u>15,712.68</u>	<u>16,481.38</u>		<u>9,969.27</u>	<u>12,641.25</u>	<u>5,794.28</u>
<u>6,429.52</u>	<u>8,931.84</u>	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	<u>(3,500.74)</u>	<u>(5,065.37)</u>	<u>2,667.62</u>
43,231.29	49,660.81	Bank bfwd os cheques	58,592.65	55,091.91	50,026.54
<u>49,660.81</u>	<u>58,592.65</u>	bank cfwd	<u>55,091.91</u>	<u>50,026.54</u>	<u>52,694.16</u>
49,660.82	58,592.66				
(0.01)	(0.01)				

3/31/2025	YTD
£	£
6,427.50	26,986.65
-	-
-	500.00
355.00	1,524.90
-	277.26
<u>6,782.50</u>	<u>29,288.81</u>
-	-
1,521.45	2,917.95
1,204.73	2,122.43
157.01	617.86
-	18,607.90
390.00	1,510.00
575.85	2,082.55
910.83	3,643.32
-	81.00
-	141.60
107.27	290.93
-	1,256.40
<u>4,867.14</u>	<u>33,271.94</u>
<u>1,915.36</u>	<u>(3,983.13)</u>
52,694.16	58,592.65
<u>54,609.52</u>	<u>54,609.52</u>
	54,609.53
	(0.01)

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT TO FRAMFIELD TRUST

We have audited the financial information of Framfield Trust for the year ended 31 March 2025 from the accounting records and information and explanations as given by the committee.

As a practicing member firm of the Institute of Financial Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements as set out in its membership handbook.

Our work has been undertaken solely to audit and check the financial information of Framfield Trust for the members.

You have approved the financial information for the year and have acknowledged your responsibility for it, for the appropriateness of the financial reporting adopted and for providing all information and explanations necessary for its completion.

We have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial information.

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16 August 2025

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FRAMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL acting as Sole Trustee

Report on Trust Activities during the Year 2024

General - Buildings

- Contractors now on board for various works.
- All lights in the halls have been replaced with low carbon ones.
- New Fire and H&S risk assessments have been commissioned.

Administration/Finance

- The annual accounts for the Trusts have been audited.
- The hall rates for charity/not for profit organisations within and outside the Parish have been reviewed.

Recreation Grounds

- The annual play inspections have only low/very low risk items which will be assessed and roughly costed. Jobs to be assigned where possible to the Grounds Manager or outsourced.
- The 3-year tree survey is to be commissioned.
- New litter/dog bins have been sourced.
- Play area fencing has been repaired.

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Memorial Hall

- Works on the guttering/downpipes has been commissioned to re-direct the surface water.
- School hire fee reviewed and increased. Due to lack of co-operation by the School, dialogue has had to continue via ESCC and the extension to the day time School hire has been refused and the School has been asked to vacate the car park each afternoon at 5 pm. An amended schedule of conditions to be sent to the School.
- Framfield Village Market continues to thrive with many new stalls – although more local footfall would be appreciated.
- Framfield Summer Show – 17 August 2024. The Horticultural Society will benefit from the new high charges.

BLACKBOYS VILLAGE HALL, RECREATION GROUND AND ALLOTMENTS TRUST INCORPORATING PALEHOUSE COMMON RECREATION GROUND
Charity Registration No. 305225

Village Hall

- Bookings are on the increase although use by a nursery has been refused because it would mean that they would end up as the sole user.
- New kitchen commissioned – works to start in the summer.

Allotments

- Blackboys – several plots available.
- Survey of unattended plots has been carried out and tenants asked to tidy up.

FRAMFIELD ALLOTMENT GARDENS TRUST
Charity Registration No: 296468

- All plots taken and paid for.

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3/31/2023		6/30/2023	9/30/2023
£	Income	£	£
20,281.00	Hall Hire	5,014.28	4,252.35
-	Interest	-	-
-	Donations	-	-
1,801.20	Market	629.50	231.00
60.00	Other/Pavilion Hire	-	-
<u>22,142.20</u>		<u>5,643.78</u>	<u>4,483.35</u>
	Overheads		
-	VAT	-	-
3,237.87	Heating/Oil	-	-
1,114.94	Electricity	97.63	-
1,074.33	Rates and water	455.59	-
2,520.93	Repairs	495.00	4,412.63
1,182.44	Booking/caretaker	505.00	320.00
2,342.89	Cleaning	173.75	703.43
3,605.94	Handyman	900.66	600.44
139.20	PRS	-	154.80
189.60	Fire equipment	-	117.60
304.54	Market expenses	104.90	-
-	Sundry & Professional Fees	1,123.92	-
<u>15,712.68</u>		<u>3,856.45</u>	<u>6,308.90</u>
<u>6,429.52</u>	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	<u>1,787.33</u>	<u>(1,825.55)</u>
43,231.29	Bank b/wd os cheques	49,660.81	51,448.14
<u>49,660.81</u>	bank c/wd	<u>51,448.14</u>	<u>49,622.59</u>
49,660.82 (0.01)			

12/31/2023	3/31/2024	YTD
£	£	£
6,318.59	7,108.50	22,693.72
-	-	-
-	-	-
784.00	575.00	2,219.50
-	500.00	500.00
<u>7,102.59</u>	<u>8,183.50</u>	<u>25,413.22</u>
-	-	-
-	724.50	724.50
-	423.53	521.16
-	82.98	538.57
233.00	748.59	5,889.22
480.00	501.00	1,806.00
426.22	510.08	1,813.48
600.44	1,505.44	3,606.98
-	-	154.80
-	-	117.60
4.50	75.75	185.15
-	-	1,123.92
<u>1,744.16</u>	<u>4,571.87</u>	<u>16,481.38</u>
<u>5,358.43</u>	<u>3,611.63</u>	<u>8,931.84</u>
49,622.59	54,981.02	49,660.81
<u>54,981.02</u>	<u>58,592.65</u>	<u>58,592.65</u>
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		(0.01)

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. A. A.', written over a horizontal line.

11 July 2024