

COMBERBACH WAR MEMORIAL HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 507936

Details

Other names COMBERBACH MEMORIAL HALL

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1978-09-12

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

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Activities

Objects: THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF COMBERBACH WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, INCLUDING USE FOR MEETINGS, LECTURES AND CLASSES, AND FOR OTHER FORMS OF RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION, WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS.

Activities: Manage a village hall for the benefit of the local community.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** PARISH OF COMBERBACH
- Cheshire East
- Cheshire West & Chester

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£46,104	£19,545	-	-
2024-03-31	£25,363	£29,625	-	-
2023-03-31	£18,675	£32,290	-	-
2022-03-31	£40,657	£35,254	-	-
2021-03-31	£26,111	£9,751	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
NIKKI LORD	Chair	2013-01-13
Elizabeth Anne Cook		2020-04-01
SIAN RHIANNON CHANDLER		2022-05-25

COMBERBACH WAR MEMORIAL HALL

England & Wales - Charity number 507936

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: Period start date 01/04/2024 To: Period end date 31/03/2025

Charity name: Comberbach War Memorial Hall Committee

Charity registration number: 507936

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	To run, maintain, promote and safeguard the Memorial Hall, on behalf and for the benefit of the village of Comberbach.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Village War Memorial Hall, available to be hired by groups, clubs and individuals from the village and surrounding areas, either for regular hirings or one-off events.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	All trustees have been provided with the trustee guidance pack from the charities commission.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policy on grant making	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	
Contribution made by volunteers	The Hall is run completely by a committee of volunteers, currently all are also trustees. We are reliant on each one to give their time, effort and enthusiasm. We have a team of three who work closely together, have shared access to emails, calendar and a WhatsApp group ensures we are all kept in the picture and decision making is democratic and an open process. Liz Cook is the Treasurer and Booking

	Secretary and does a truly amazing job. Sian Chandler is Secretary and also does an enormous amount of work in the outdoor area of the hall and has co-ordinated and project managed many large and small jobs both internally and externally. The village is very fortunate to have people who spend so much of their own time for the good of the Hall.
Other	

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	<p>The number of regular hirers remains steady, some increased sessions, some reduced theirs. They are a mix of local groups and local businesses. Regular hirers are our guaranteed income and this income helps us to make financial forecasts. Sunday has become a 'birthday party day' and this is a great added source of income for us.</p> <p>The hall is also used for village events, for example, the village Remembrance Sunday Service, VE Day commemorations and Parish Council events.</p> <p>Over the past year we have continued to invest in the hall to update, maintain and improve it for all hirers; there have been many pieces of work that have taken place to keep the hall looking good, inside and out, things to improve the facilities for all users from within the village and beyond.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	When funds become available, we prioritise and allocate appropriately. We have a 'wish list' but are always mindful of our current funds. This year we successfully applied for National Lottery grant which will allow us to upgrade the toilets, which will be a major project for us. The kitchen is also on our list and a first step has been the purchase of a new range cooker with the aid of a Local Councillors Members Fund grant.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	The grants and regular income mean we have not had an extra burden of relying on fundraising. We only have a small committee of volunteers who do so much already: Instead, we rely on careful management of funds, attracting more

	hirers, and applying for grants where we can.
Investment performance against objectives	
Other	

Financial Review

<p>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</p>	<p>After our income failed to meet our expenditure in the 23/24 financial year, we became even more watchful of our ongoing finances. This year we returned to making a surplus, but we are very aware of our limited reserves and keep them for any emergency works/projects that may arise. We will not start any major works without first securing grants, which is what we have done with the National Lottery grant for the toilets. We also review our hiring rates annually. Two trustees have access to the online banking app, so can keep an eye on both accounts. Before any bill is paid, the Treasurer uses the WhatsApp group to confirm agreement from all three trustees before going ahead.</p>
<p>Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held</p>	<p>We try and keep reserves at their current level and top up when we can, as we are aware one major repair project could easily require most of the reserves we have.</p>
<p>Amount of reserves held</p>	<p>£37,303.00. Note: £20,000 of this is restricted as it is a National Lottery grant to upgrade the toilets.</p>
<p>Reasons for holding zero reserves</p>	
<p>Details of fund materially in deficit</p>	
<p>Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern</p>	<p>Our major source of income is hiring the hall to the Cheerleading group. If they were to leave to go elsewhere, or to fold, that would be a huge reduction of income. We are aware of this, but it isn't currently a concern: They have recently taken on another evening booking as the group is growing and are accomplished in their field; they are extremely enthusiastic about the hall and we work with them to accommodate their needs; the hall ceiling is unusually high so it means they can safely perform their 'towers'; also, were they to leave, our heating, maintenance, cleaning costs plus the number of loo rolls used would decrease! We would also be able to take party or other bookings on Saturdays, which are regularly requested, but currently we are unable to accept. In order to cover any lean periods, we aim to maintain at least £10,000 in reserve. This amount would cover running costs for any gaps between losing a regular hirer and booking another, and we also anticipate it would cover the cost of any major emergency repairs should one arise.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	
Other	

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association , CIO)	Management Committee, with members representing various village groups and three trustees.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	By election at the AGM by all inhabitants of the area of benefit of 18 years and upwards, via a majority vote. If there is an equal number of votes for a member the Chair has the 2nd or final vote.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	
Relationship with any related parties	
Other	

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Comberbach War Memorial Hall
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	507936
Charity's principal address	Comberbach War Memorial Hall, Marbury Road, Comberbach Cheshire CW9 6AU

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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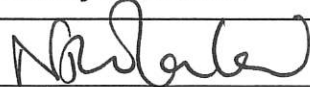
Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Nicola Lord	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	17.6.2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Comberbach War Memorial Hall

No (if any)
507936

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from **01/04/2024** To **31/03/2025**

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Regular Hire	21,148	-	-	21,148	21,975
Adhoc Hire	3,893	-	-	3,893	2,910
Other Income - Toilets Grant	-	20,000	-	20,000	-
Other Income - Oven Grant	-	699	-	699	-
Other Income	75	-	-	75	350
Interest Received	289	-	-	289	128
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	25,405	20,699	-	46,104	25,363
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	25,405	20,699	-	46,104	25,363
A3 Payments					
Hall Maintenance - Large Projects	708	699	-	1,407	9,300
Hall Maintenance - Large Projects	1,499	-	-	1,499	1,849
Utilities	6,471	-	-	6,471	10,149
Rental	5	-	-	5	5
Telephone & Internet	1,081	-	-	1,081	907
Charitable donations	59	-	-	59	60
Insurance	2,438	-	-	2,438	1,099
Other Costs	6,585	-	-	6,585	6,256
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	18,846	699	-	19,545	29,625
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	18,846	699	-	19,545	29,625
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,559	20,000	-	26,559	- 4,262
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	10,744	-	-	10,744	15,006
Cash funds this year end	17,303	20,000	-	37,303	10,744

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Natwest Deposit account	15,582	20,000	-
	Natwest current account	964		-
	Petty cash	757	-	-
	Total cash funds	17,303	20,000	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

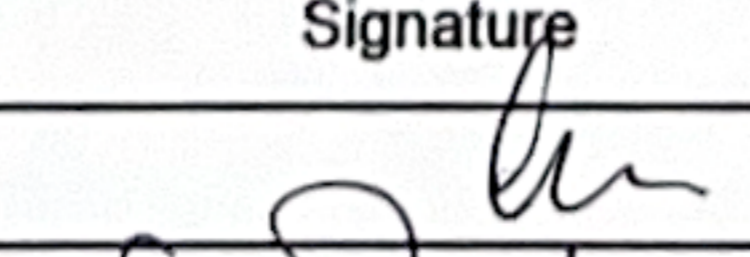
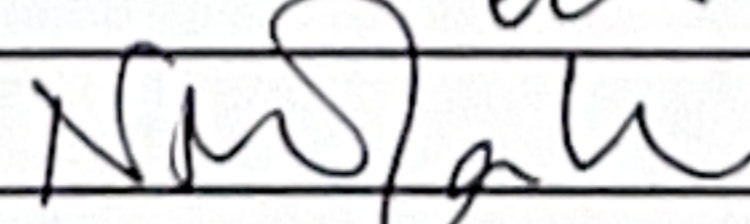
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Treasurer & Trustee		ELIZABETH COOK	17.06.25
Chair & Trustee		Nicola Lord	17.6.25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Comberbach War Memorial Hall

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2025

Charity no
(if any)

507936

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Bernice Philips

Date:

17 June 2025

Name:

Bernice Philips

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

Chartered Accountant ICAEW
Membership Number 7485463

Address:

14 Reedsmere Walk

Comberbach, Northwich

Cheshire CW9 6BZ

COMBERBACH WAR MEMORIAL HALL

England & Wales - Charity number 507936

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: Period start date 01/04/2023 To: Period end date 31/03/2024

Charity name: Comberbach War Memorial Hall Committee

Charity registration number: 507936

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	To run, maintain, promote and safeguard the memorial hall on behalf and for the benefit of the village.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Village War Memorial Hall, available to be hired by groups, clubs and individuals from the village and surrounding areas, either for regular hirings or one-off events.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	All trustees have been provided with the trustee guidance pack from the charities commission.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policy on grant making	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	
Contribution made by volunteers	The Hall is run completely by a committee of volunteers, currently all are also trustees. We are reliant on each one to give their time, effort and enthusiasm. We have a team of three who work closely together, shared access to emails, calendar and a WhatsApp group ensures we are all kept in the picture and decision making is democratic and an open process. Liz Cook has spent another year

	<p>in the demanding role of Treasurer and Booking Secretary and does a truly amazing job. Sian Chandler is Secretary but has done an enormous amount of work in the outdoor area of the hall and has co-ordinated and project managed many large and small jobs both internally and externally. The village is very fortunate to have people who spend so much of their own time for the good of the Hall.</p>
Other	

Achievements and Performance

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>The number of regular hirers remains steady, some increased sessions, some reduced theirs. They are a mix of local groups and local businesses. Regular hirers are our guaranteed income and this income helps us to make financial forecasts. Sunday has become a 'birthday party day' and this is a great added source of income for us.</p> <p>Over the past year we have continued to invest in the hall to update, maintain and improve it for all hirers. After several years of major projects, there have been none this year, but there have been many other smaller works that have taken place to keep the hall looking good, inside and out, things to improve the facilities for all users from within the village and beyond.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Due to a number grants we had, during Covid and beyond, we were able to work our way through a 'wish list' of major works that had become crucial and necessary, and the grant money made it possible. When funds become available we prioritise and allocate appropriately. We still have a wish list, but are mindful of our current funds. We apply for grants where we can.</p>
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>The grants and regular income mean we have not had an extra burden of relying on fundraising. We only have a small committee of volunteers who do so much already: Instead, we rely on careful management of funds, attracting more hirers, and applying for grants where we can.</p>

<p>Investment performance against objectives</p>	
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	With rising running costs, predictably gas and electric, and a significant increase in our cleaning costs, the last year has seen our income fail to match our expenditure, for the first time in some years. We have reserves, which we are careful not to rely on; it would only take one major problem, with the roof or the flooring, for example, to use a huge amount of our reserves. We reviewed our hiring rates a year ago, and have recently done so again and have decided to raise them.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	We try and keep reserves at their current level as we are aware one major repair project easily require most of the reserves we have.
Amount of reserves held	£10,744.00
Reasons for holding zero reserves	
Details of fund materially in deficit	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	As things stand, we are not too concerned, but we are vigilant and will regularly review income and expenditure projections, in order to protect the Hall.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	
Other	

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Management Committee, with members representing various village groups and three trustees.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	By election at the AGM by all inhabitants of the area of benefit of 18 years and upwards, via a majority vote. If there is an equal number of votes for a member the Chair has the 2nd or final vote.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	
Relationship with any related parties	
Other	

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Comberbach War Memorial Hall
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	507936
Charity's principal address	Comberbach War Memorial Hall, Marbury Road, Comberbach Cheshire CW9 6AU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Nikki Lord	Chair		
2	Liz Cook	Treasurer		
3	Sian Chandler	Secretary		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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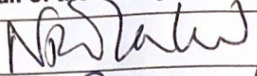
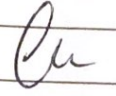
Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Nicola Lord	ELIZABETH COOK
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	TREASURER
Date	18.9.24	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Comberbach War Memorial Hal

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from **01/04/2023** To **31/03/2024**

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Regular Hire	21,975	-	-	21,975	15,959
Adhoc Hire	2,910	-	-	2,910	2,435
Other Income	350	-	-	350	211
Interest received	128	-	-	128	70
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	25,363	-	-	25,363	18,675
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	25,363	-	-	25,363	18,675
A3 Payments					
Hall Maintenance - large projects	9,300	-	-	9,300	16,085
Hall Maintenance	1,849	-	-	1,849	9,393
Utilities	10,149	-	-	10,149	4,607
Rental	5	-	-	5	5
Telephone & Internet	907	-	-	907	709
Charitable donations	60	-	-	60	220
Insurance	1,099	-	-	1,099	1,029
Other Costs	6,256	-	-	6,256	242
Sub total	29,625	-	-	29,625	32,290
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	29,625	-	-	29,625	32,290
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,262	-	-	- 4,262	- 13,615
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	15,006	-	-	15,006	28,621
Cash funds this year end	10,744	-	-	10,744	15,006

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Natwes Current Account	956	-	
	Natwest Savings Account	9,444	-	
	Petty Cash	343	-	
	Total cash funds	10,744	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

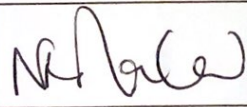

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Nikki Lord	18.9.24
	ELIZABETH COOK	18/09/24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Comberbach War Memorial Hall

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

Charity no
(if any) 507936

Set out on pages

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(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 31/03/2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

Independent
examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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: Bernice Philips

Date: 18/09/2024

Name: Bernice Philips

Relevant professional
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(if any):

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Membership number 7485463

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

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COMBERBACH WAR MEMORIAL HALL

England & Wales - Charity number 507936

Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: Period start date 01/04/2021 To: Period end date 31/03/2022

Charity name: Comberbach War Memorial Hall Committee

Charity registration number: 507936

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To run, maintain, promote and safeguard the memorial hall on behalf and for the benefit of the village.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Village Memorial Hall, available to be hired by groups, clubs and individuals from the village and surrounding areas, either as regular hirings or one-off events.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<i>All trustees have been provided with the trustee guidance pack from the charities commission.</i>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The Hall is run completely by a committee of volunteers, some of which are also trustees. We are reliant on each one to give their time, effort and enthusiasm. We owe a particular debt of gratitude to Liz Cook who is the Treasurer and bookings secretary. Her contribution is extraordinary, and her efforts to reopen the hall after lockdown were immense. As a result of opening before other local public buildings,

		we gained regular hirers who have stayed with us ever since. She has streamlined our booking system and a change to online banking has made it much simpler to manage finances. As trustees we are hugely grateful to her. Joint access to emails means we can respond and send emails, which shares the burden and allows everyone to keep abreast and be informed.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>As mentioned above, our regular hirers have increased since Covid. This has allowed us to some extent to forecast our income; and although it isn't guaranteed, it puts us in a reassuring position. Many regular hirers are groups for children, and we believe this has had a knock-on effect on the increase in children's parties. We haven't increased our room hire rates, so we remain competitive for potential hirers, and we offer a half price rate for non-profit village groups.</p> <p>It is a large, attractive, adaptable space with a functional kitchen and various rooms for hire. Although no one took up the offer, we did offer the office for individual use as the hall has Wi-Fi. There is also a shed in the grounds with electricity, which we foresee as a perfect space for a 'men in sheds' type venture.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Our role as custodians of the hall includes ensuring the building is maintained and updated. In the last year, the grant money we received and the regular income from hirers has enabled us to install a new heating system and replace all the lighting. This was a considerable cost and something we couldn't have done without the grants. Our basic objective is to ensure we have enough income to cover running costs, and we have done this by increasing regular hirers, one-off events and private parties.</p>
		The grants and regular income mean we have not had an extra burden of relying on fundraising, which would have been difficult

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	in recent years and would have meant a huge amount of work for a small committee of volunteers who already give a lot of time to the hall.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity is in a healthy financial position, due to considerable grants we have received and regular hirers and regular one-off hirings. We have completed the works mentioned above and have the confidence to plan other projects to maintain the building for the foreseeable future. The hall is being re-decorated at a substantial cost during the summer holidays. These three major investments would be completely beyond our financial capabilities if it wasn't for the grants. This also removes an enormous amount of stress as trustees.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We have reserves at their current level simply because of the grants we have received. As the day to day running costs have been met by our regular income, we have signposted grant money for bigger projects. In future, we hope to maintain a reasonable level of reserves which would cover the cost of a significant works that may be needed, or go a long way towards the cost, for example roof repairs or a replacement floor. In the coming year the current reserves will be reduced as we are in the process, as a committee, of creating a 'wish list' of things the hall needs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£28,621
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	As things stand, we are in a fortunate position to not be concerned. Once the money we received in grant form has been spent, the income from hiring will cover our expenditure and hopefully build up a small reserve to be used when needed.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Committee of management, with members representing various village groups and 4 Trustees
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	By election at the AGM by all inhabitants of the area of benefit of 18 years and upwards, via a majority vote. If there is an equal number of votes for a member the Chairman has the 2nd or final vote.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Comberbach War Memorial Hall
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	507936
Charity's principal address	Comberbach War Memorial Hall, Marbury Road, Comberbach Cheshire CW9 6AU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Nikki Lord	Chairperson		
2	Liz Cook	Treasurer		
3	Jim Bradley			
4	Anne O'May			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>lea</i>	
Full name(s)	ELIZABETH ANNE COOK	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	
Date	25/05/2022	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Comberbach War Memorial Hall

507936

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/04/2021

To

31/03/2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Hall hire	17,988	-	-	17,988	4,424
Government Grants	11,667	-	-	11,667	21,525
Other Grants	11,000	-	-	11,000	-
Interest Received	2	-	-	2	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	40,657	-	-	40,657	25,949
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	40,657	-	-	40,657	25,949
A3 Payments					
Overheads	35,254	-	-	35,254	9,589
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	35,254	-	-	35,254	9,589
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	35,254	-	-	35,254	9,589
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,403	-	-	5,403	16,360
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	23,218	-	-	23,218	6,858
Cash funds this year end	28,621	-	-	28,621	23,218

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Natwest Current Account	1,332	-	-
	Natwest Savings Account	27,056	-	-
	Petty Cash	233	-	-
	Total cash funds	28,621	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

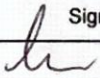
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Rena's Bench funds		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Elizabeth Anne Cook	25/05/2022



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

COMBERBACH WAR MEMORIAL HALL

On accounts for the year ended

31 MARCH 2022

Charity no (if any)

507936

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:

Bernice Philps

Date:

25/05/2022

Name:

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COMBERBACH WAR MEMORIAL HALL

England & Wales - Charity number 507936

Accounts

Comberbach Memorial Hall - Management Committee
Charity Commission Number - 507936
Bank Details 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021

Balances at 1 April 2020

Current Account (NatWest)
Cash

£6,788.61
£69.60

Balances at 31 March 2021

Current Account (NatWest)
Cash

£23,208.70
£9.51

Total

£6,858.21

Total

£23,218.21

Excess of Income over Expenditure

-£16,360.00

These accounts are prepared from the Books
of the Management Committee
Checked and found correct

Bernice Phillips

20 June 2021