

Chair's Report

This year has been one of real momentum for our community group. We've strengthened our connections, expanded our activities, and made significant progress toward improving our shared spaces. What stands out most is the collective effort — every event, every meeting, every volunteer hour has helped move us forward.

Highlights of the Year

Fundraising Success

Our fundraising efforts have been exceptional. We were awarded grants from the National Lottery, the Parish Council, and Cumberland Council, providing a vital financial foundation for the first stage of the refurbishment of the recreation ground. This is a major milestone, and it reflects both the strength of our plans and the confidence others have in our community.

Alongside these grants, our own events and activities have continued to bring in valuable support:

- Monthly cinema nights have become a reliable and enjoyable source of income.
- Our lively Ceilidh added both funds and fun to the year.
- The Bake Off raised a substantial amount — and we're delighted to have the opportunity to run it again this year.

Annual Events

Our regular events continue to be at the heart of our community calendar:

- The Dog Show brought together families, neighbours, and plenty of wagging tails.
- The Quiz Night once again proved how competitive and good-humoured we can be.
- The Christmas Coffee Morning offered a warm and festive gathering to round off the year.

Looking Ahead

With funding secured and plans in motion, the coming year will focus heavily on the recreation ground refurbishment. This project represents a long-term investment in our shared outdoor space, and we're excited to see the first stage take shape.

We will also be holding an Open Gardens event later this year, giving residents a chance to showcase their gardens and support our fundraising efforts.

We'll continue to:

- Grow participation in our events
- Explore new fundraising opportunities
- Strengthen partnerships with local organisations

- Encourage more residents to get involved in shaping our community's future

Thank You

None of this progress would be possible without the dedication of our volunteers, supporters, and partners. Your enthusiasm, generosity, and willingness to get involved are what keep this group thriving. I'm grateful for everything we've achieved together this year and optimistic about what lies ahead.

Port Carlisle Community Group Accounts December 2025 (Port Carlisle Village Hall Charity no. 509226)

| DATE | INCOME SOURCE | | DATE | EXPENDITURE TYPE | |
|-----------|--|---------------------------|-----------|---|-----------------|
| January | Film Night | 17.00 | January | | |
| February | Film Night Quiz | 50.00 350.00 | February | Quiz prizes/food hall hire | 70.95 50.00 |
| | | | | Recreation ground inspection | 127.80 |
| March | Film Night | 40.00 | March | | |
| April | Film Night Dog Show | 66.00 125.00 | April | | |
| May | Film Night Dog Show donation (inc in dog show) | 32.00 50.00 | May | Recreation Ground Insurance | £367.50 |
| June | Film Night | 72.00 | June | | |
| August | Film Night | 53.50 | August | | |
| September | Film Night Donations | 65.50 125.00 | September | Cinema Night refreshments Christmas fair advert C News | 65.50 57.96 |
| | Ceilidh | 210.00 | | | |
| October | Ceilidh | 814.00 | October | Ceilidh food and Ceilidh band Hall hire | 438.69 50.00 |
| November | Film Night Xmas Fair Donations | 30.00 1205.00 60.00 | November | Advert Christmas fair Parish mag Hall hire Xmas Fair and Carols singing event | 15.00 50.00 |
| | National Lottery | 20,000.00 | | | |
| December | Film Night PCC Grant | 51.00 10,000 | December | Bar expenses Port Singers Carols | 69.75 |

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| | Carols night donations | 180.00 | | |
| | Bar income (carols) | 110.50 | | |
| December 2025 | TOTAL INCOME | £33,706.50 | | |
| | | | December 2025 | Total Expenditure |
| | | | | £1363.15 |

Income £33,706.50 over Expenditure **£1363.15** Exclude NL&PCC Grants £30,000 **Profit £2343.35**

Income streams: Film Night £477 Fund Raising £2814.50 Donations £365.00 Grants £30,000

Awaiting Fells and Solway £4,000

Expenditure streams Hall hire £150 Film night £65.50 Fund raising £652.35 Recreation ground £495.30

Bar expenses (carols night) £69.75

Petty cash £30.00 (with the Chair)

Unpresented cheques 000073 £69.75

Bank Balance at 31/12/25 **£38,027.32** £80 in funds is restricted to Carnival

Auditor

K. Baty

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Treasurer

S Gallagher

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24.1.2026

CHAIR

Catherine Poxon

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