

HART VILLAGE HALL ASSOCIATION  
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS  
31 DECEMBER 2025

Charity Number: 510272



## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From 01.01.2025   Period start date   To   31.12.2025   Period end date**

**Charity name: HART VILLAGE HALL ASSOCIATION**

**Charity registration number: 510272**

## **Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p><b>“The object of the charity is the provision and maintenance of a village hall for use by the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for:</b></p> <p><b>a) meetings, lectures and classes, and</b></p> <p><b>b) other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation</b></p> <p><b>c) Family Celebrations such as Birthdays and Weddings</b></p> <p><b>with the object of improving conditions of life for the inhabitants.” Governing doc.2003</b></p>
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	<p><b>Hart Village Hall provides a state of the art well maintained, clean, comfortable, spacious and safe place for a variety of activities to take place. These range from exercise and well-being classes, to pre-school activities and to specific interest groups. In providing a variety of activities the Hall provides a social hub that supports the physical and emotional well-being of a wide age group of inhabitants from the local area. It provides a convenient venue for many community events in partnership with other local groups such as Mary Magdalene Church , Hart Parish Council e.g.: Easter Fair, Harvest Festival, Christmas Fair &amp; Parish Council meetings. In addition to joint events the hall organises community events such as Clairvoyant nights Pantomimes and Summer BBQ events, providing a focus for the local community to come together.</b></p>

		It is also a popular choice to celebrate family events such as birthdays and weddings.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In planning our activities, we kept in mind the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	In memory of our former Chairman David Barker the Trustees have agreed to offer an annual Bursary which will be awarded to candidate(s) who within education who are judged to be best deserving. It is hoped this bursary will be given for the first time in 2026
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	As well Trustees we rely on an additional small number of people we consider as "Friends of the Hall". They typically act as extra invaluable help setting up and tidying up when the Hall holds events.
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>During 2025 the Hall provided a wide range of exercise, (Pilates, Dance Fit, Pilates and Tone) well-being, (Yoga, Tai Chi) leisure, (W.I, Hartlepool Community Singers, History Group, Whist) and pre-school (Parent and Toddler, Childminder and Toddler) activities, supporting the physical and emotional health and well-being of the local community across a broad spectrum of ages. In 2025 the Hall offered football "supastrikas" training for young children</p> <p>The Hall continues to be in demand as a venue for family celebrations with</p>

		<p>children's birthday parties particularly popular.</p> <p>Community events held here were also well attended by the local community, including: Christmas Heart for Hart, and summer BBQ Event.</p> <p>Outside of the Hall In the wider village in 2025 we organised and sponsored the planting of flower boxes in the main Front Street of Hart Village.</p>
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#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	<p>During 2025 the Trustees of the Hall agreed to re- invest the investment of £35,000 that matured in the year, (Maturity value was £38,780 which met the Hall's Investment objectives. Including the investment made in 2024 the total value of investments was £61,000 at the end of 2025. Although the Hall had an increased cash position at the end of 2025, the Hall Trustees agreed to hold off any further long-term investments in favour of a Business Reserve Account which now holds just less than £14,000.</p>
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>2025 reflected slightly higher revenue than 2024. The Hall reported a small operating profit of £4,026 compared to an operating profit of £5,483 in 2024. The Hall raises most of its income from the hiring out of the facilities for both regular classes and casual hire (typically Birthday Party) events. In 2025 income from these areas met or was close to our budget.</p> <p>Income from regular users totalled £15,803 (2024 £15,271). This comprised of £6,269 from leisure classes, £7,065 from exercise classes and £2,469 from youth classes.</p> <p>Income from casual users which include family celebrations and evening events provided a further income of £8,940 (2024 -£7,949). This was complimented by the availability of the bar and kitchen, sales from which provided an additional source of income of £1,045</p> <p>At the end of December 2025 current assets totalled 75,153 (2024-£71,127), comprising of current account bank balance of £2,031, a reserve account balance of £13,997, cash of £355 and reserves of £58,780 which have been invested in a long-term low risk investment plan.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	It was agreed to maintain our reserves at £75,000 which takes into consideration a major interruption causing loss of income and any large unexpected outgoings such as major repairs..
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£75,153</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>None</b>

**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	<b>See commentary re the charity's year end financial position</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>See commentary re the charity's year-end financial position</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>The main risks facing the charity would be</b>  <b>1. A similar event to the Covid Pandemic of 2020 if loss of business was not supported with sufficient levels of Grants.</b>  <b>2. Increased overheads / running costs such as Utility and Insurance premiums</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter?)	Para 1.25	<b>Trust</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Unincorporated association</b>
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	<b>The Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in March.</b>

### 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	<b>At the end of 2025 there were 13 trustees appointed. Chairman; Vice Chairman; Secretary and Treasurer are part of the 13 appointees. We work closely with other village halls in the area through the Tees Valley Village Halls Association.</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	<b>Hart Village Hall Association</b>
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	<b>510272</b>
Charity's principal address	<b>Front Street Hart Hartlepool TS27 3AW</b>

### 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	Patrick Hoy	Chairman		
2	Angie Hilton	Trustee / Secretary		
3	Andrew Elliott	Trustee / Treasurer		
4	Mark Foster	Trustee		
5	Leigh Elliott	Trustee		
6	Janet Ord	Trustee		
7	Gary Simmons	Trustee		
8	Clare Foster	Trustee		
9	Louise Johnson	Trustee		
10	Trudi Leighton-Cox	Trustee	Appointed 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	
11	Rachael Barker	Trustee	Appointed 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	
12	Andrew Fraser	Trustee	Appointed 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	
13	Jessica Kay	Trustee	Appointed 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	
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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	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A



Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

#### 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

Prepared by: Andrew Elliott  
Trustee and Treasurer Hart Village Hall  
15<sup>th</sup> February 2026



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Hart Village Hall Association

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 December 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

510272

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 **31 December 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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than the comment 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.

Signed:



Date:

16 March 2026

Name:

H O'Driscoll FCA

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

Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants England and Wales

Address:

Waltons Business Advisers Limited

Maritime House, Harbour Walk, The Marina, Hartlepool, TS24 0UX

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.

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		2025	2024
	Unrestricted funds	Total funds	
<u>Receipts</u>			
Leisure - Regular	6,269	6,269	7,987
Preschool - Regular	2,469	2,469	1,464
Exercise - Regular	7,065	7,065	5,820
Hall bookings and hire	7,626	7,626	7,770
Ticket sales	2,060	2,060	161
Donations	72	72	-
Bar and kitchen	669	669	1,017
General income	-	-	18
Interest received	4,016	4,016	91
	<u>30,246</u>	<u>30,246</u>	<u>24,328</u>
<u>Payments</u>			
Insurance	1,880	1,880	2,244
Water	1,134	1,134	964
Electric	1,867	1,867	1,648
Gas	2,430	2,430	2,996
Repairs and maintenance	2,666	2,666	830
Cleaning and caretaking	4,040	4,040	3,887
Health and safety	415	415	1,285
General	794	794	657
Donation	353	353	50
Printing, postage and stationery	127	127	361
Bar and kitchen	254	254	693
Wi-Fi	558	558	556
Hall Events	2,690	2,690	1,508
Accountancy	330	330	312
Bank charges	360	360	-
Cash difference	-	-	(526)
	<u>19,898</u>	<u>19,898</u>	<u>17,465</u>
Receipts less payments	10,348	10,348	6,863
Asset purchases	(6,322)	(6,322)	(1,380)
	<u>4,026</u>	<u>4,026</u>	<u>5,483</u>
<u>Net movement in funds</u>			
<u>Bank and Cash Account</u>			
Brought forward	71,127	71,127	65,644
Carried forward	75,153	75,153	71,127
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Bank current account	2,030	2,030	4,596
Bank reserve account	13,987	13,987	10,991
Cash	356	356	540
Investment	58,780	58,780	55,000
	<u>75,153</u>	<u>75,153</u>	<u>71,127</u>

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Note of Fixed Assets

	Net book value b/fwd	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation	Net book value c/fwd
Hall and buildings	42,740	-	-	-	42,740
Improvements to hall	30,820	4,228	-	(5,505)	29,543
Fixtures and fittings	16,162	2,094	-	(1,738)	16,518
	89,722	6,322	-	(7,243)	88,801

These accounts were approved by the Management Trustees at a meeting held on 11/3/26 and signed on their behalf by:

P Hoy



- Management Trustee

G Simmons



- Management Trustee

A Hilton



- Management Trustee