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# ANNUAL REPORT 2024

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Lesley Hines (From 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024)  
Chair  
Nether Whitacre Village Hall





### **Governing Document:**

Conveyance relating to Land fronting Station Road, Nether Whitacre, Warwickshire

### **Object of Charity:**

Nether Whitacre Village Hall charity exists to provide a well maintained, well-kept village hall within the Parish of Nether Whitacre providing facilities for use of the residents of the Parish and people from outside of the locality without distinction of political, religious or other opinions.

Activities include facilities for badminton, kick boxing, ten pin bowling and pickleball, weekly circuit training, weekly special needs playgroup and pilates, Ring Craft and dog training, a number of caravan rallies are also held on site every year.. The large hall is available for larger groups for family and club celebrations / parties, quiz nights, bands and other entertainment, dog shows, training events and a smaller meeting room for our local parish council, committee meetings and AGM's of other organisations plus a bookable space for all other sorts of meetings and training. The village hall also has a large car park which is used by a number of local residents as well as space for village hall users.

### **Structure, Governance and Management:**

A management committee comprising of Trustees, representatives of the Custodian Trustees from the Nether Whitacre Parish Council agreed to meet formally every month for the next 12 months. Currently we have 4 Trustees and 2 additional committee members.

Trustees have traditionally been recruited by 'who's turned up at the AGM' and voted on to the committee.

### **Activities during 2024**

#### *Review of Governance*

As the newly appointed Chair of the village hall I started with a review of the regulations from the Charity Commission and found that we had not previously been recruiting or appointing Trustees in accordance with the Charity Commission specifications.

Immediately all Trustees met with the newly appointed Chair and the Charity Commission Guidance for Charity trustees were discussed: what's involved (CC3a)<sup>1</sup> and the declaration of eligibility and responsibility<sup>2</sup> forms completed.

With immediate effect Trustees will be eligible to vote but views from all members of the management committee will be sought.

### *Policies and Procedures*

Previously no formal policies and procedures had been formulated and agreed by the Board of Trustees so a programme of work was discussed and agreed.

Between July and December 2025 the following were agreed and are now available:

- Safeguarding (21.09.2024)
- Health and Safety (09.12.2024)

A programme to develop further policies and procedures was also agreed with a full review of the Terms and Conditions of Hire, Complaints, Data Protection / GDPR , Equal Opportunities and Finance policies to be developed over the coming year.

### *Review of building maintenance*

A large number of maintenance issues had been identified both by Hirer's of the village hall and the management committee. The Maintenance Action Log was updated and prioritised and work commenced in getting quotes for the priority jobs. The first being to give the main areas of the village hall a paint makeover. The lower parts of the foyer, committee room, and main hall were painted and the toilets and kitchen were fully painted. Plus a number of smaller jobs have been completed. The guttering and downpipes were fully cleaned and parts replaced as necessary and this has solved the damp issues that were beginning to affect some of the outer walls and some inner areas of the village hall. During 2024 £4,826.73 was spent on maintenance.

It was also identified that the Fire Risk Assessment was in need of being updated. This was carried out on the 21<sup>st</sup> September '24 and a process has been introduced for regular checks in accordance with the assessment.

As of 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 £7,769 which includes servicing and urgent Health & Safety work on the electric gates, the hatch between kitchen and meeting room has been reinstated and the replacement drains from the ladies toilets which were the original clay pipes have all been replaced and some remedial work on the manhole.

Quotes were also sought for replacing the heating in the main hall and within the rest of the building and a number of smaller electrical issues.

Also identified was the need for Legionella Water Risk Assessment and PAT testing. The Legionella Assessment was under taken in February and we are currently identifying the work required and getting quotes for the fairly major work required. We will be getting the PAT testing done over the next few weeks.

Following consultation with a number of Hirers it was also agreed to reinstate the previously bricked up hatch between the committee room and the kitchen and this was completed in February 2025.

### *Cleaning*

Following the resignation of the cleaner an advert was placed with the local community and two local residents were appointed to take on the role on a flexible arrangement depending on the bookings at the village hall.

As a management committee we have very high standards and this is what makes our village hall the venue of choice of many of our returning Hirer's.

#### *Current Hirer's*

We currently have a small number of regular Hirer's. These being ladies Badminton, Circuit Training (till December '24), Scamps SEN playgroup, Pilates, twice a month Sutton Coldfield Dog Training and the ad-hoc but regular High Flyers Dog Training but there is lots of capacity for more regular groups especially as we have some of our own in-house equipment for hire including badminton posts/nets, Kickboxing bag, ten pin bowling mats, pins and balls and the recently donated Pickleball equipment.

During the coming months we will be working to undertake the maintenance required at the village hall and to look at available grants to undertake the replacement of the heating throughout the building and to undertake the work required to comply with Legionella legislation.

#### *40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations*

The 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025 marked the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of when the village hall was officially opened. A local advert was put out on local social media and WhatsApp groups for volunteers to come forward to plan a year of celebration within the local community. A wonderful group of people including representatives from the village hall management committee and local residents came together they have planned and organised a wide range of event for the next 12 months, The first being an 80's tribute band and on the 11<sup>th</sup> May we held an Open Day for the parishioners which was well supported and highly successful with many people asking if it could be an annual event. Many other events are planned until March 2026.

As Chair I wish to sincerely thank the village hall management committee, the Parish Council, the newly formed 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events group and the local residents for their support over the last 12 months, there has been a lot of work done to bring our village hall up to date - to meet current Charity Commission requirements and a multitude of Health and Safety work none of which would have been done without everyone's support and hard work.

***Lesley Hines***  
***Chair***

## Appendix A

### Trustees

#### Appointment of Trustees

In 2024 an advert was posted on local social media and by means of posters around the Parish inviting local residents to attend the Annual General Meeting and to stand for positions of Trustees. At the 2024 meeting the Chair and two committee members stood down (a further committee member stood down in September 2024. Fortunately one new local resident came forward and was voted on to the committee and in July 2024 a further village resident came forward and agreed to take on the role as Secretary.

#### Trustees

The following villagers were committee members / Trustees of the Charity during 2024

Name	Office / User Group	Date/s
Jonathan Smith	Chair	Till 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Lesley Hines*	Secretary Chair / Trustee	Till 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 From 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Natalie Walker*	Treasurer / Trustee	
Andrea Clayton*	Booking Secretary Committee member	Till 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 From 28 <sup>th</sup> February
Steve Collins	Committee member	Till 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Steve Smith	Committee member	Till 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
John Boyles	Committee member	Till 24 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
Gerald Kororo*	Committee member / Trustee	From 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Sally Jamieson*	Secretary / Trustee	From 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Joanne Draper*	Committee member	From 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Paul Taylor	Parish Council rep / Custodian Trustee	
Bev Woollaston	Parish Council rep	

\*Current Trustees and management committee members

#### User Groups

No current representatives from key user groups

## Appendix B

### Treasurers Report 1

#### Statement of Financial Activities from Dains Accountants

##### NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL

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	Unrestricted Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Income from :</b>			
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Fund raising	-	-	-
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Hirings	11,028	11,028	11,911
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Western Power wayleave rental	-	-	24
<b>Total income</b>	<b>34,611</b>	<b>34,611</b>	<b>14,180</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
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<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>16,721</b>	<b>16,721</b>	<b>14,367</b>
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	Note	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	5	72,010	70,822
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		62,392	45,690
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<b>Funds</b>			
Unrestricted		134,402	116,512
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These accounts were approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Signed  
Mr J Thompson  
Chairman



Date 5/5/25



## Appendix B

### Booking Secretary Report

#### Bookings / Hirings for the Year 2024

##### Regular bookings

Monday	Badminton	weekly
Tuesday	Henry Circuit Training	weekly
Wednesday	Highflyers Show Dog Handling	Ad hoc
Thursday	Scamps SEN playgroup	weekly
	Sutton Coldfield & District	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> week
	Canine Association	
Friday	Pilates	weekly

##### Other Bookings

Children's party	14
Dog Events	11
Private Bookings	23
Caravan Rally	1
Kitchen	9
VH Committee meetings	5

##### Breakdown by days of the week

Weekday bookings	241
Saturday bookings	31
Sunday bookings	16

#### Bookings / Hirings for the year 2025 from 1<sup>st</sup> January – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2025

##### Regular bookings

Monday	Badminton - weekly	
	Parkinsons movement group*	weekly for a month
	NW Parish Council meetings	monthly
Tuesday	Highflyers Show Dog Handling	twice a month
Wednesday	Circuit training	weekly
Thursday	Scamps SEN playgroup	weekly
	Sutton Coldfield & District	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> week
	Canine Association	
Friday	Pilates	weekly

##### Other Bookings / Hirings

Children's party	12
Dog Events	13
Private Bookings	27

Caravan Rally	2
Kitchen	0
VH Committee meetings	3
VH Events meetings/Events	4/6

### **Breakdown by days of the week**

#### **From 1<sup>st</sup> January – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

Weekday bookings	119
Saturday bookings	15
Sunday bookings	13

#### **From 29<sup>th</sup> May to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025**

Weekday bookings	160
Saturday bookings	11
Sunday bookings	12

#### **Bookings / Hirings for 2026**

Dog Events	5
Caravan rally	1TBC

#### **Bookings / Hirings for 2027**

Dog Event	1
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### **Changes in Hirings**

#### **2024**

- Henry's Circuit Training ended on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024
- Highflyers Show Dog Handling only had 5 bookings during 2024 (Sept/Oct)

#### **2025**

- The Parkinson's Group although booked for 3 months initially cancelled their booking after just one month due to the coldness of the hall and toilets.
- Dan's Health Circuit Training began in February '25 and was booked for a regular weekly group plus an additional once a month group. The additional once a month group finished in April but the weekly group is booked in for the remainder of the year.
- Highflyers Show Dog Handling agreed to move to a Tuesday and have booked for 2 regular sessions per month.

Andrea Clayton & Lesley Hines

**NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL**

**REPORT & ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2024**

**Registered Charity No. 517574**

Dains Accountants Limited  
Venture Point  
Wheelhouse Road  
Rugeley  
Staffordshire  
WS15 1UZ

## **NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL**

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## **NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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#### **Reference and Administrative Information**

##### **Trustees:**

The Charity is administered by trustees. Trustees who served during the year ended 31 December 2024 are as follows:

Mr K Woodward  
Mr R Hemphill  
Mr J Godwin  
Mrs V Wright  
Mrs J Thompson (Chairman)  
Mrs L Hines  
Mr J Smith  
Mr D Williams  
Mr M Payne  
Mr J Boyles  
Mr S Smith

##### **Principal address:**

12 Station Road  
Nether Whitacre  
Nr Coleshill  
Birmingham  
B46 2JG

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A Morris FCA  
of Dains Accountants Limited  
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## **NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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#### **Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 December 2024**

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 7 and comply with the Charity Commission Scheme, The Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published on 01/01/2019.

#### **Structure Governance and Management**

##### **History Objectives and Activities**

The charity is governed by a trust deed dated 6 February 1984, and is an unincorporated association.

The object of the charity is to provide a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Nether Whitacre.

##### **Basis of Appointment of Trustees**

The committee members are the trustees for the purposes of charity law and are known as the Committee of Management. The deed allows for the appointment of 7 elected members and 8 representative members and may include not more than 3 co-opted members. All members of the committee shall retire from office together at the end of the annual general meeting next after the date on which they came into office but they may be re-elected or re-appointed.

The induction process for any newly appointed trustee comprises an initial meeting with the board of Trustees, at which a pack is provided. This includes a copy of the governing document, a copy of the most recent annual report and accounts, copy minutes of previous trustees' meetings and a copy of the Charity Commission guidance 'The Essential Trustee'.

The Trustees normally meet 11 times per year.

##### **Risk Review**

The Trustees review the risks the Charity faces on a regular basis and take appropriate steps to mitigate those risks

##### **Reserves Policy**

At 31 December 2024 free reserves totalled £62,392.

The trustees have a formal policy to keep a safe and well maintained building for the use of the local community. In doing so the trustees would maintain an amount of at least £15,000 in the building society account to cover any unexpected maintenance work.

**NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
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**Achievements and Performance**

The village hall is used by the local community for a variety of activities. The hall helps keep the community spirit by having a well maintained building available for their use, on their doorstep at a low cost. The use of the hall covers a wide range of activities e.g. dancing, keep fit, dog and horticultural shows, private parties and residential meetings to talk to MP's, Police and Neighbourhood Watch etc.

**Public Benefit**

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and have complied with their duties under the Charities Act 2011.

**Trustees' Responsibilities in Relation to the Financial Statements**

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- and
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

  
Signed:   
Mr J Thompson  
(Chairman)

Date: 5/5/25

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL**

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 5 to 8.

**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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records.
- 3 the accounts do not comply with applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirements 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 to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date:



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*J Thompson*

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### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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#### **1 Accounting Policies**

##### **General**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16/07/2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated.

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

##### **1.1 Funds**

The unrestricted fund comprises those funds which the trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

##### **1.2 Income**

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources and it is certain that the resources will be received.

##### **1.3 Charitable activities**

Costs of charitable activities include the upkeep of the village hall.

##### **1.4 Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated

Fixtures & Fittings	15% reducing balance
Buildings	Nil

No depreciation has been provided in respect of the freehold buildings as the trustees maintain the building in good repair and are of the opinion that the fair value is in excess of the carrying value.

#### **2 Independent examiner's remuneration**

No fee was charged by the independent examiner. In accordance with the terms of the SORP the value of the service has been shown at £600 and a similar amount is included in donations.

## NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

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#### 3 Trustees Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

No trustee received any remuneration or expenses during the year (2023 - £nil).

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year (2023 - £nil).

#### 4 Taxation

As a charity, Nether Whitacre Village Hall is exempt from tax on income falling within S.505 of the Taxes Act 1988 to the extent that this is applied to its charitable objects. No tax charge arises in respect of the year ended 31 December 2024 (2023 - £nil).

#### 5 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold building £	Fixtures & fittings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
As at 1 January 2024	69,023	20,714	89,737
Additions	-	1,598	1,598
As at 31 December 2024	69,023	22,312	91,335
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>			
As at 1 January 2024	-	18,915	18,915
Charge for the year	-	410	410
As at 31 December 2024	-	19,325	19,325
<b>Net book values</b>			
31 December 2024	69,023	2,987	72,010
31 December 2023	69,023	1,799	70,822

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
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**Achievements and Performance**

The village hall is used by the local community for a variety of activities. The hall helps keep the community spirit by having a well maintained building available for their use, on their doorstep at a low cost. The use of the hall covers a wide range of activities e.g. dancing, keep fit, dog and horticultural shows, private parties and residential meetings to talk to MP's, Police and Neighbourhood Watch etc.

**Public Benefit**

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and have complied with their duties under the Charities Act 2011.

**Trustees' Responsibilities in Relation to the Financial Statements**

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- and
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Signed:  
Mr J Thompson  
(Chairman)

Date: 14/5/24



## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 5 to 8.

### **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")

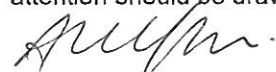
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act: or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records.
- 3 the accounts do not comply with applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirements 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 to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



A Morris FCA  
of Dains Accountants Limited  
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Date: 14 May 2024.

# **NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL**

## **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds £	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Income from :</b>			
<b>Investment income</b>			
Building Society account interest	914	914	196
<b>Fund raising</b>			
Fund raising	-	-	98
Donations - general	-	-	2,667
Donation - Independent examiner	600	600	600
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Hirings	11,911	11,911	12,711
<b>Other income</b>			
Electric meter cash	731	731	644
Western Power wayleave rental	24	24	24
<b>Total income</b>	<b>14,180</b>	<b>14,180</b>	<b>16,940</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Repairs & renewals	1,309	1,309	3,736
Building insurance	2,072	2,072	1,801
Running expenses	10,070	10,070	7,171
Depreciation on fixtures and fittings	316	316	255
<b>Fund raising</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Independent examiner's remuneration	600	600	600
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>14,367</b>	<b>14,367</b>	<b>13,563</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>(187)</b>	<b>(187)</b>	<b>3,377</b>
Balances brought forward	116,699	116,699	113,322
<b>Balances carried forward</b>	<b>116,512</b>	<b>116,512</b>	<b>116,699</b>

# NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	5	70,822	71,138
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		45,690	45,561
		<u>116,512</u>	<u>116,699</u>
<b>Funds</b>			
Unrestricted		116,512	116,699
		<u>116,512</u>	<u>116,699</u>

These accounts were approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Signed  
Mr J Thompson  
Chairman



Date 14/5/24

## **NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL**

### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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#### **1 Accounting Policies**

##### **General**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16/07/2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated.

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

##### **1.1 Funds**

The unrestricted fund comprises those funds which the trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

##### **1.2 Income**

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources and it is certain that the resources will be received.

##### **1.3 Charitable activities**

Costs of charitable activities include the upkeep of the village hall.

##### **1.4 Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated

Fixtures & Fittings	15% reducing balance
Buildings	Nil

No depreciation has been provided in respect of the freehold buildings as the trustees maintain the building in good repair and are of the opinion that the fair value is in excess of the carrying value.

#### **2 Independent examiner's remuneration**

No fee was charged by the independent examiner. In accordance with the terms of the SORP the value of the service has been shown at £600 and a similar amount is included in donations.

## NETHER WHITACRE VILLAGE HALL

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

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#### 3 Trustees Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

No trustee received any remuneration or expenses during the year (2022 - £nil).

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year (2022 - £nil).

#### 4 Taxation

As a charity, Nether Whitacre Village Hall is exempt from tax on income falling within S.505 of the Taxes Act 1988 to the extent that this is applied to its charitable objects. No tax charge arises in respect of the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022 - £nil).

#### 5 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold building £	Fixtures & fittings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
As at 1 January 2023	69,023	20,714	89,737
Additions	-	-	-
As at 31 December 2023	69,023	20,714	89,737
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>			
As at 1 January 2023	-	18,599	18,599
Charge for the year	-	316	316
As at 31 December 2023	-	18,915	18,915
<b>Net book values</b>			
31 December 2023	69,023	1,799	70,822
31 December 2022	69,023	2,115	71,138

The village hall is held in trust by the Parish Council of Nether Whitacre as Custodian Trustee.