



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023 To 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Charity name: Dorstone Village Hall

Charity registration number: 517747

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>The Dorstone Village Hall is there for the committee, residents and organisations to hold a wide range of events and activities, which benefit the community life of Dorstone and surrounding area.</b>
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	<b>We host a range of income-generating activities for local organisations, such as fitness classes, private events, talks and wedding parties, but most importantly we offer opportunities for people to come together through our weekly schedule of events. People living in rural areas are at heightened risk of social isolation, which can lead to poor health, loss of independence and lower quality of life, according to the Local Government Association. Our very existence helps combat this problem.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>The trustees and management committee of the Dorstone Village Hall have focused on delivering the Dorstone Village Hall as a resource and assets for the sole use of Dorstone Parish and surrounding areas, to help build a sense of community and combat social isolation. We exist solely for the public benefit of our community.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
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><b>Loneliness is a significant issue in rural aging populations, which can lead quickly to social isolation. We feel that we are addressing this in two ways, one by hosting regular monthly events where all members of our community are invited and secondly reaching out to those that are socially isolated to encourage them to attend and participate. We also offer a service to collect and return home any community member with mobility issues for village hall run events. Our events are not just there to raise money, although with significantly rising utility costs it is becoming a need, our regular monthly events offer all members of our community a chance to come together and re-connect. This encourages those that are socially isolated or lonely to reconnect with other community members and get together in a non-confronting manner. We feel that our events help to re-establish old friendships and make it easier for people to reconnect in a safe environment which often leads to them connecting outside of our events. At our recent sold-out curry night there were many elderly parish residents that are rarely seen, in attendance. Our regular coffee mornings are starting again next month where any local members of our community can drop in and have a chat, in an informal way to reconnect and re-establish friendships that may have lapsed and to demonstrate the support our community has for all its members.</b></p> <p><b>Our elderly community members are</b></p>

		<b>also reluctant to travel far for an evening and without events being held locally in the village hall their social interaction opportunities would be heavily restricted.</b>
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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	<b>Sufficient funds were raised over the period to make financially viable the restoration work on the Village Hal Roof and Bell Tower, which cost in excess of £42,000.</b>
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	<b>In credit £32k</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Holding reserves to pay for additional major works: updating of male, female and disabled bathrooms [2025], re-tarmacking of external public spaces [2025], re-pointing of external building [2026]. Replacement of current bar heating system.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>25k</b>
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	

### 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 ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Trust Deed</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	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>By nomination and public vote at annual General Meeting.</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	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Dorstone Village Hall
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	517747
Charity's principal address	Dorstone Village Hall C/O School House Dorstone HR36AN Herefordshire

**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	Ingrid McLean		From September 1 <sup>st</sup> 2024	Dorstone Parishioners and Dorstone Village Hall Committee Members
2	Kenneth John Goodwin			
3	Judy Brookes			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		
Not applicable		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Not applicable		

## 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)

Dawn Edmiston Chairperson & Allan Fraser-Rush Treasurer

## 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)

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Full name(s)

Dawn Edmiston	Ingrid McLean
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Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

Chairperson	Trustee
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Date

30.12.24
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Charity Name  
**Dorstone Village Hall**

No (if any)  
**517747**

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	5/1/2023		4/30/2024

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Income from lettings	1,294	-	-	1,294	-
Income from events	672	-	-	672	-
Grants	-	21,500	-	21,500	-
Donations	5,176	-	-	5,176	-
Bank interest	422	-	-	422	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>7,564</b>	<b>21,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,064</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>7,564</b>	<b>21,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,064</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Supplies	895	-	-	895	-
Cleaning	811	-	-	811	-
Electricity	1,056	-	-	1,056	-
Maintenance / building works	12,503	26,500	-	39,003	-
Rent	83	-	-	83	-
Insurance	747	-	-	747	-
Subscriptions	50	-	-	50	-
Computer	333	-	-	333	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>16,478</b>	<b>26,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,978</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>16,478</b>	<b>26,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,978</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 8,914</b>	<b>- 5,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 13,914</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>40,144</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,144</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>31,230</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,230</b>	<b>-</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Co-Op Current account	5,509	-	-
	Co-Op Investment account	25,096	-	-
	Cash	133	-	-
	VAT due back	492	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>31,230</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	VAT	492	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>J. M. O'Leary</i>	INGRID M'LEARY	28/2/25
<i>J. Brooks</i>	JUDY BROOKS	28/2/25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
Dorstone Village Hall

On accounts for the year  
ended

30<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Charity no  
(if any)

517747

Set out on pages

1 to 2

(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 30<sup>th</sup> April 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:

Andrena Miles

Date:

28<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Name:

Andrena Miles

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

F.M. A.A.T.

Address:

4 Longlands

Fairford

GL7 4LG

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.**