

# THE GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL AND PLAYING FIELD

England & Wales · Charity number 520053

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Trust

**Registered** 1969-09-03

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** PURPOSES OF A VILLAGE HALL AND PLAYING FIELD.

**Activities:** The provision of sports facilities (currently football pitch, bowling green, croquet area, astroturf and pavillion) for the inhabitants of Goostrey and the contigual parishes with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** GOOSTREY AND NEIGHBOURHOOD
- Cheshire East

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£40,988	£30,799	-	-
2023-10-31	£42,555	£69,584	-	-
2022-10-31	£26,096	£24,775	-	-
2021-10-31	£18,356	£12,281	-	-
2020-10-31	£18,413	£25,876	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Jason Graeme Lynch</b>	Chair	2025-03-24
Alison Richardson		2024-09-16
Carol Ann Cooper		2026-03-11
Catherine Morris		2015-08-02
Chris Jackson		2024-04-22
DEREK HURDLE		
David Anthony Smith		2025-03-24
David Brigg		2021-09-20
Donald Gavin lawson		2026-03-11
EDNA MARY BRANDRETH		
JAMES HARRY ASHALL		
Jack Holloway		2025-02-20
John Crouch		2019-10-19
Jonathan Keith Robinson		2025-02-21
Keith Wood		2023-01-31
Laura Gerrard		2024-04-01
MARTIN HOWARTH LEAKE		
Neil Beckham		2019-06-12
Nicholas Broad		2024-09-20
PROFESSOR WILLIAM ERNEST ROYCE OLLIER		
Peter Bentham		2019-01-22
Rob Kennerley		2022-09-20
SALLY ANN BALL		
Sheila Dawn Wood		2025-02-21
Shelagh Elaine Southern		2026-03-11
Simon John Higginbottom		2025-06-16

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# Accounts

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# **GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on  
Monday, 24 March 2025 at 7.00pm  
in the Boothbed Lane Sports Pavilion**

## **Present:**

Ex-Officio Trustees: Mrs Sally Ball (Secretary & NWR)  
Prof. William Ollier  
Mr Martin Leake (Pavilion Manager & Goostrey Methodist Church)  
Mrs Alison Richardson (& Goosfest)

Elected Trustees: Dr Mike Clapp (Chairman)  
Mr Keith Wood (Treasurer)  
Mr Jay Ashall  
Mr John Crouch (& Goostrey Probus)

Co-opted Trustees: Mr Arthur Lamb (& Royal British Legion)  
Mr Peter Bentham  
Mrs Edna Brandreth (& RBL Women's section)  
Mrs Catherine Morris

Nominated Trustees: Mr Derek Hurdle (Goostrey Bowls Club)  
Mrs Laura Gerrard (Goostrey Tennis Club)  
Mr Rob Kennerley (Goostrey Junior Football)  
Mr Neil Beckham (Goostrey Parish Council)  
Mrs Mary Yearn (Goostrey Wine Circle)  
Mrs Sheila Wood (Jodrell Side WI)  
Mr Nick Broad (St Luke's Church)  
Mr Jonathan Robinson (Grapevine & Goostrey Guild)  
Mr Tony Taylor (Goostrey Table Tennis Club)  
Mr Chris Jackson (Goostrey Thursday Bridge Club)

Plus 108 members of the local community

## **1. Apologies**

Mr David Brigg (Goostrey Wine Circle), Mr Roger Rushton (Elected Trustee), Mr Jack Holloway (Goostrey Friendly Football) and Mrs Catherine McCubbin.

## **2. Minutes of Previous AGM (29 January 2024)**

The Minutes of the AGM held on 29 January 2024 were approved and signed (proposed by Mr Peter Bentham, seconded by Mr Arthur Lamb).

## **3. Chairman's Report**

Dr Mike Clapp (Chairman) reported that it had been another busy year and noted that Goostrey Playing Fields (VHPFF) and Goostrey Village Hall are separate entities, the latter being run by Goostrey Parish Council. As the VHPFF had made a financial contribution to the building of the Village Hall, three Trustees continue to represent the VHPFF on the Village Hall Management Committee.

As a result of the continuing deterioration of the astroturf surface, the decision had been taken to replace both the carpet and, where necessary, the underlying tarmacadam. A Quote of just

over £80,000 had been accepted from a supplier based in Cheshire. Laura Gerrard (Chairman of the Tennis Club) had agreed to spearhead the fund-raising with a target of £85,000 (including a Contingency) and had submitted bids to various external organisations, as well as co-ordinating the fund-raising mainly by the Tennis Club. The Chairman was delighted to report that the target had now been achieved and it was hoped that the remedial work would be completed by the end of May. He thanked Laura and her team for her sterling work over many months (*applause from the floor of the meeting*).

During the year, membership of the Bowls Club increased from 40 to 60, playing in 5 Bowls Leagues and hosting popular Saturday “Roll-up” sessions throughout the season. The Tennis Club had run tennis coaching sessions for both Juniors and Seniors, and the Table Tennis Club with around 30 members continues to use their dedicated times in the Pavilion. The Friendly Football Club now operates successfully on a “Pay-as-you-Play” basis and Pickleball Taster sessions were held during the summer. During the winter football season, the grass pitch has been let out to Holmes Chapel Hurricanes for use by 3 Junior teams, with matches played at weekends.

The VHPFF is currently in the position of running at a loss, so charges will need to be increased during 2025 and with (hopefully) more Registered Users. Thought also need to be given to future development, with a fund built up to finance longer-term developments.

The Chairman expressed his thanks to all the Trustees, in particular the Treasurer and Secretary, for their time and effort, and hoped that the facilities will be maintained and developed in the future for the benefit of all members of the local community.

#### **4. Treasurer’s Report**

Mr Keith Wood (Treasurer) presented the Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2024 (copies were available for those who had not seen them previously).

He explained the difference between Restricted and Unrestricted Funds in the Accounts, with the Restricted Funds being allocated specially toward the replacement of the astroturf.. He also highlighted that with the change of year-end from October to December, the accounts covered a 14 month period, so that some items of expenditure (for example the Bowling Green winter maintenance and the Christmas Raffle) appeared to be higher than normal as they were paid out during the two additional months.

The Accounts were accepted having been signed off by an Independent Examiner.

#### **5. Election of Trustees (up to 5)**

Nominations had been received from seven candidates:

- Kyle Davies (Proposed by Jack Holloway, Seconded by Ruth Olleranshaw)
- Simon Higginbottom (Proposed by Marcus Higginbottom, Seconded by Julie Higginbottom)
- Jason Lynch (Proposed by Mike Clapp, Seconded by Alison Richardson)
- Cath McCubbin (Proposed by Duncan McCubbin, Seconded by Jacqui Buckley)
- Tony Taylor (Proposed by Richard Ashcroft, Seconded by Mike Marshall)
- Susie Weston (Proposed by Laura Gerrard, Seconded by Heather Ashall)
- Keith Wood (Proposed by Jack Holloway, Seconded by Peter Bentham)

Each candidate gave a summary of why they wished to become a Trustee (in the absence of Catherine McCubbin at the meeting, a Statement from her was read by Jacqui Buckley). Ballot papers had been distributed to attendees as they arrived for the meeting. Each person was asked to vote for up to 5 candidates, after which the votes cast were counted by William Ollier

and Michael Ball. After counting and checking the votes, the Chairman declared that Kyle Davies, Jason Lynch, Tony Taylor, Susie Weston and Keith Wood were duly elected.

## **6. Any Other Business**

- 6.1 Mr Tony Taylor proposed a Vote of Thanks to the founders of the VHPFF who were present, namely Jay Ashall, Martin Leake and Bill Ollier. Their foresight had enabled the local Community to benefit from the excellent facilities on Boothbed Lane.
- 6.2 Mr Peter Gomes requested clarification as to the status of Nominated Trustees following the election of the five Trustees.

The Secretary confirmed that the organisations who nominated Trustees had been contacted during the previous 3 months to confirm their nomination. She then read out the relevant section from the VHPFF's Trust Deed:

*Clause 2 (3): "Representative Members of the Committee (aka Board of Trustees) shall be appointed by each Appointing Organisation ..... and their names shall be notified to the Secretary ..... They shall ..... be appointed before the Annual General Meeting in any year for a term of office commencing at the end of Annual General Meeting after their appointment and expiring at the end of the Annual General Meeting in the following year".*

The Secretary then read out the current list of Appointing Organisations. She also stated that a few Trustees represented more than one organisation. In response to a question from the floor, the Secretary confirmed that each Trustee has only one vote, even if they are representing additional organisations.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

sab/ 26 March 2025

**GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS**  
For the period 1 November 2023 to 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL This Year	TOTAL Last Year
<b>INCOME</b>				
Annual VHPFF Subscriptions	6,237.55		6,237.55	5,862.50
Affiliated Club Subscriptions	5,889.00		5,889.00	4,732.20
Pay to Play Subscriptions	1,910.00		1,910.00	
Gift Aid	1,562.39		1,562.39	1,528.35
Pavilion Hire	1,715.00		1,715.00	864.00
Playing Fields Hire	1,750.00		1,750.00	
Power Contributions	0.00		0.00	1,112.00
Donations & Fund Raising -General	400.00		400.00	2,472.97
Donations & Fund Raising -Restricted Funds		15,413.54	15,413.54	21,665.73
Lottery Income	5,005.00		5,005.00	3,610.00
Miscellaneous	10.00		10.00	
Bank interest	1,096.49		1,096.49	707.72
	<u>25,575.43</u>	<u>15,413.54</u>	<u>40,988.97</u>	<u>42,555.47</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
Facilities & Equipment	680.85		680.85	200.00
Pavilion Maintenance	3,918.99		3,918.99	6,082.00
Grounds & Field Maintenance	9,370.99		9,370.99	8,638.65
Astroturf	0.00		0.00	3,528.65
Bowls Maintenance	5,236.64		5,236.64	1,974.31
New Bowls Club House/ New Gates	0.00		0.00	41,116.57
Waste Disposal	728.56		728.56	514.61
Power	1,373.90		1,373.90	797.87
Lottery	3,450.00		3,450.00	1,825.00
Fund-raising	0.00	1,980.00	1,980.00	1,539.00
Administration Expenses	407.60		407.60	492.39
Subscription Refunds	0.00		0.00	30.00
Website	2,058.00		2,058.00	1,388.33
Miscellaneous	126.25		126.25	
Insurance	1,468.07		1,468.07	1,456.57
	<u>28,819.85</u>	<u>1,980.00</u>	<u>30,799.85</u>	<u>69,583.95</u>
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	(3,244.42)	13,433.54	10,189.12	(27,028.48)
Add Bank and Cash previous year	27,711.33		27,711.33	54,739.81
<b>FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024</b>	<u>24,466.91</u>	<u>13,433.54</u>	<u>37,900.45</u>	<u>27,711.33</u>

**GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**Period ending 31 December 2024**

**BANK AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL This Year	TOTAL Last Year
Current Account	(9,664.60)	13,433.54	3,768.94	3,611.31
Reserve Account	35.12		35.12	7,882.06
COIF Deposit Account	34,096.39		34,096.39	16,217.96
	<u>24,466.91</u>	<u>13,433.54</u>	<u>37,900.45</u>	<u>27,711.33</u>

**ASSETS**

		£	£
Land at Boothbed Lane		25,000	25,000
Buildings & Facilities	*	616,755	597,051
Contents	*	18,505	18,505
Greens and Playing Surfaces	*	73,729	71,374
Mower	*	6,313	6,313
Lawn Tractor & Rake	*	4,210	4,210
Defibrillator	*	5,000	5,000

\* Items shown at Insurance Valuation

The VHPFF has a financial interest in Goostrey Village Hall. In an agreement with Cheshire County Council, dated June 1985, the contribution was noted as £5,268 which was approximately 2.9% of the cost of construction and professional fees of the new Hall.

# GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERIOD ENDED 31 December 2024

### TREASURER'S STATEMENT

I have prepared the financial statements on pages 1 and 2 for the period ended 31 December 2024

KEITH WOOD (name)

*K Wood* (signature)  
20/01/2025 (date)

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial statements of Goostrey Village Hall & Playing Fields Foundation for the period ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 1 and 2.

#### Respective responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of the procedures specified in the General Direction given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions of the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

#### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the charity, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed by the Independent Examiner:



date: 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Name and address of the Independent Examiner:

John Duley  
27 Ravenscroft Close  
Middlewich  
CW10 9PX

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# Accounts

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# **GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION**

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Monday, 29 January 2024 in the Boothbed Lane Sports Pavilion**

### **Present:**

Permanent Trustees:	Mrs Sally Ball (Secretary & NWR) Prof. William Ollier Mr Martin Leake (& Goostrey Methodist Church) Mr Willie Dudgeon
Elected Trustees:	Dr Mike Clapp (Chairman) Mr Keith Wood (Treasurer) Mr Jay Ashall Mr Carl Foster
Co-opted Trustees:	Mr Arthur Lamb (& Royal British Legion) Peter Bentham Mrs Edna Brandreth (& RBL Women's section) Mrs Catherine Morris Mr John Crouch (& Goostrey Probus)
Nominated Trustees:	Mr Ken Heaton (Goostrey Bowls Club) Mrs Alison Richardson (Tennis Club) Mr Rob Kennerley (Goostrey Junior Football) Mr Arthur Freeman (Goostrey Parish Council) Mr David Brigg (Goostrey Wine Circle) Mrs Sheila Wood (Jodrell Side WI) Mrs Sally Dyke (Flower Club & Goostrey WI)
Public:	Mrs Laura Gerrard Mr Alan Mooney Mrs Virginia Hewitt Mr Chris Jackson

### **1. Apologies**

Mr Roger Rushton (Elected Trustee), Mrs Anne Blair (Bridge Club), Mr John Hoghton (Grapevine), Mr Neil Beckham (Goostrey Parish Council), Mr Mike Marshall (Tennis Club).

### **2. Minutes of Previous AGM (31 January 2023)**

The Minutes of the AGM held on 31 January 2023 were approved and signed (proposed by Mr Willie Dudgeon, seconded by Mr John Crouch).

### **3. Chairman's Report**

Dr Mike Clapp (Chairman) reported that it had been another busy year. Following fitting out, the new Bowls Clubhouse had been formally opened last May by local MP, Mrs Fiona Bruce and the Chairman of Goostrey Parish Council (Mr Ian O'Donoghue). Many complimentary comments had been received from visiting bowling teams during the summer season. In

addition, a donation from the funeral collection for Mr Jack Edmonson (a keen bowler who died during the year) was used to provide more secure gates for the Bowling Green.

A leaflet drop had been organised throughout the Village, but unfortunately this had not resulted in many new enquiries. A hanging basket sale had been organised in the Spring, which had brought in some additional funds. The Chairman thanked John Crouch and Roger Rushton & colleagues respectively for organising these.

There is now an active (and growing) Table Tennis Club affiliated to the VHPFF. The Club had obtained some external funding and had contributed to the re-decoration, replacement flooring and additional lighting in the downstairs room of the Pavilion. As a result of this facelift, the Pavilion has a new regular weekly booking.

Progress has been made on the website and it is hoped that this will go live by the end of February.

Remedial work was done on the astroturf in March (at a cost of just under £4,000) but although initially beneficial, the muddy puddles returned in the unusually wet Autumn & Winter.

A full electrical survey was conducted in October, as required every 5 years by the VHPFF's insurers. This found a number of serious problems, all of which have been rectified.

The Chairman reported that the VHPFF's expenditure is currently exceeding its income. In addition, the Affiliated Clubs tend to operate relatively independently. As a result, he would be proposing the formation of a new Management Committee to include the VHPFF Executive (Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer) together with a representative from each Affiliated Club (Bowls, Tennis, Football, Goostrey Friendly Football Club and Table Tennis) with the intention of this group recommending the strategy for the VHPFF in the short and longer term.

#### **4. Treasurer's Report (Accounts attached to original Minutes)**

Mr Keith Wood (Treasurer) presented the Accounts for the year ending 31 October 2023 and explained the difference between Restricted and Unrestricted Funds in the Accounts. He had reviewed the current income and expenditure in some detail and anticipated that the VHPFF has a potential deficit of £7,500 for the current year. He recommended that the Trustees review Membership costs in order to bring in more regular income.

The Accounts were accepted (proposed Mr Willie Dudgeon, seconded by Mr Jay Ashall).

#### **5. Election of Trustees (up to 5)**

Dr Mike Clapp, Mr Jay Ashall, Mr Roger Rushton, Mr John Crouch and Mr Keith Wood were elected (proposed by Mr Dave Nolan, seconded by Mrs Catherine Morris).

#### **6. Co-option of Trustees (up to 5)**

Mrs Catherine Morris, Mr Arthur Lamb, Mr Peter Bentham and Mrs Edna Brandreth were co-opted (proposed by Mr Keith Wood, seconded by Mr Dave Nolan).

**7. Election of Officers**

The following Officers were elected (proposed by Mr Jay Ashall, seconded by Mr Martin Leake):

Chairman: Dr Mike Clapp  
Treasurer: Mr Keith Wood  
Secretary: Mrs Sally Ball

**8. Goostrey Village Hall Management Committee**

The VHPFF nominates 3 representatives to this sub-committee of Goostrey Parish Council.

It was agreed that Mrs Sally Ball, Mrs Edna Brandreth and Mr Martin Leake would continue to represent the VHPFF on the Goostrey Village Hall Management Committee (proposed by Dr Mike Clapp, seconded by Mr Arthur Lamb).

**9. Any Other Business**

- a) Mrs Catherine Morris thanked the Executive for their work during the past year.
- b) It was agreed that a note should be added to the Assets of the VHPFF regarding the provision of £5,268 towards the costs of construction and professional fees for Joint Use Area of Goostrey Village Hall (Agreement, June 1985).

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.

*sab/February 2024*

**GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS**  
**Year ending 31 October 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL This Year	TOTAL Last Year
<b>INCOME</b>				
Annual VHPFF Subscriptions	5,862.50		5,862.50	5,855.00
Affiliated Club Subscriptions	4,732.20		4,732.20	3,250.00
Gift Aid	1,528.35		1,528.35	1,363.75
Pavilion Hire	864.00		864.00	711.47
Power Contributions	1,112.00		1,112.00	90.00
Donations & Fund Raising -General	2,472.97		2,472.97	
Donations & Fund Raising -Pavilion Maintenance		1,755.00	1,755.00	
Donations & Fund Raising -Bowls Clubouse/New Gates		19,404.73	19,404.73	11,500.00
Donations & Fund Raising -New Goal Posts		506.00	506.00	
Lottery Income	3,610.00		3,610.00	3,140.00
Miscellaneous	0.00		0.00	0.00
Bank interest	707.72		707.72	186.64
	<u>20,889.74</u>	<u>21,665.73</u>	<u>42,555.47</u>	<u>26,096.86</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
Facilities & Equipment	200.00		200.00	490.47
Pavilion Maintenance	4,327.00	1,755.00	6,082.00	1,291.86
Grounds & Field Maintenance	8,132.65	506.00	8,638.65	3,055.00
Astroturf	3,528.65		3,528.65	9,042.00
Bowls Maintenance	1,974.31		1,974.31	3,132.66
New Bowls Club House/ New Gates	7,851.19	33,265.38	41,116.57	2,562.00
Waste Disposal	514.61		514.61	514.67
Power	797.87		797.87	450.00
Lottery	1,825.00		1,825.00	1,800.00
Fund-raising	1,539.00		1,539.00	0.00
Administration Expenses	492.39		492.39	372.20
Subscription Refunds	30.00		30.00	765.00
Website	1,388.33		1,388.33	0.00
Insurance	1,456.57		1,456.57	1,299.24
	<u>34,057.57</u>	<u>35,526.38</u>	<u>69,583.95</u>	<u>24,775.10</u>
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	(13,167.83)	(13,860.65)	(27,028.48)	1,321.76
Add Bank and Cash previous year	40,879.16	13,860.65	54,739.81	53,418.05
<b>FUNDS AT 31 OCTOBER 2023</b>	<u>27,711.33</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>27,711.33</u>	<u>54,739.81</u>

**GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**Year ending 31 October 2023**

**BANK AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL This Year	TOTAL Last Year
Current Account	3,611.31		3,611.31	19,922.51
Reserve Account	7,882.06		7,882.06	4,237.94
COIF Deposit Account	16,217.96		16,217.96	30,579.36
	<u>27,711.33</u>	0.00	<u>27,711.33</u>	<u>54,739.81</u>

**ASSETS**

Land at Boothbed Lane		25,000	25,000.00
Buildings & Facilities	*	597,051	542,774.00
Contents	*	18,505	16,823.00
AstroTurf	*	54,100	64,885.00
Mower	*	6,313	5,739.00
Lawn Tractor & Rake	*	4,210	3,827.00
Defibrillator	*	5,000	5,000.00

\* Items shown at Insurance Valuation

**RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The amounts shown as Restricted Funds are donations and fund raising as follows :-

New Bowls Club House.	17,624.73
New Gate for Bowls Green	1,780.00
New Goals Posts	506.00
New Pavilion Flooring	1,755.00
	<u>21,665.73</u>


**GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 October 2023**

**TREASURER'S STATEMENT**

I have prepared the financial statements on pages 1 and 2 for the year ended 31 October 2023

KEITH WOOD (name)

  
26/11/2023.

(signature)  
(date)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

I report on the financial statements of Goostrey Village Hall & Playing Fields Foundation for the year ended 31 October 2023, which are set out on pages 1 and 2.

**Respective responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of the procedures specified in the General Direction given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions of the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

**Independent Examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the charity, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed by the Independent Examiner:



date: 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Name and address of the Independent Examiner:

John Duley  
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# Accounts

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Public:	Mr Ken Heaton Mr Keith Wood Mrs Sheila Wood Mrs Sarah Pacito

### **1. Apologies**

Dr Bill Ollier (Permanent Trustee), Mr Roger Rushton (Elected Trustee), Mr David Hext (Goostrey Friendly Football Club), Mrs Anne Blair (Bridge Club), Mr John Hoghton (Grapevine), Mrs Dagmar Barnes (Jodrell Side WI), Mrs Sally Dyke (Goostrey WI & Goostrey Flower Club),.

### **2. Minutes of Previous AGM (18 January 2022)**

The Minutes of the AGM held on 18 January 2022 were approved and signed (proposed by Dr Mike Clapp, seconded by Mr John Crouch).

### **3. Chairman's Report**

Dr Mike Clapp (Chairman) reported that the Working Group elected to deliver an upgraded Bowls Pavilion had successfully completed the project with the installation of a custom-built wooden-clad building in October 2022. This had necessitated obtaining Planning Permission and raising significant external funds (including £10k from Goostrey Parish Council, £10k from

the Heritage Lottery Fund, £5k from the Bernard Sunley Fund, together with £10k from the VHPFF reserve funds). He thanked all those organisations and individuals that had made donations and contributed their expertise and support for the project. The building is currently being fitted out internally (using money raised by the Bowls Club) and a Grand Opening is planned for May.

The floodlights around the astroturf were upgraded to LEDs last summer, which had been well received by Users. There are still concerns about mis-use of the astroturf and tennis nets, mainly by young lads, but locking the courts had been unsuccessful with two sets of combination locks being stolen. The Chairman expressed the hope that better relations could be developed with the young people to encourage them to become Registered Users and to utilise the facilities more responsibly.

Following the remedial work done to the astroturf surface in March 2020, the periods of heavy rain over recent months had left the surface very slippery again. The cost of replacement of the astroturf has been estimated at £95k, but a professional maintenance visit could be cost-effective in the Spring.

The Chairman expressed disappointment that both the Bowls and Tennis Clubs had a reduced membership in recent years, and there is currently no active football team in the village. He hoped that Trustees would encourage more residents to become involved in the VHPFF, helped by a publicity leaflet that was planned for distribution in the Spring.

The Chairman concluded by again thanking Jay Ashall for his many years as Chairman, together with everyone who had completed voluntary work for the VHPFF. He expressed particular thanks to the Secretary and Treasurer for their guidance and support during his first year as Chairman.

#### **4. Treasurer's Report (Accounts attached to original Minutes)**

Mrs Catherine Morris (Treasurer) presented the Accounts for the years ending 31 October 2022. She reported that the "Restricted Funds" in the Accounts related to monies received towards the new Bowls Pavilion which was paid for in November 2022, so did not show up in these Accounts. The large expenditure for the Astroturf related to the floodlighting upgrade, the external woodwork of the Pavilion had been re-painted and significant tree work had been carried out around the Bowling Green.

The Accounts were accepted (proposed Dr Mike Clapp, seconded by Mr Martin Leake).

#### **5. Election of Permanent Trustee**

Following the death of Mr Bill Owen in September 2022, there was a vacancy for a Permanent Trustee. Mrs Sally Ball proposed Mr Willie Dudgeon (seconded by Mr Arthur Lamb) who had been one of the original group of parents who had resurrected the VHPFF some 30 years ago. Mr Dudgeon was elected unanimously.

#### **6. Election of Trustees (up to 5)**

Dr Mike Clapp, Mr Jay Ashall, Mr Roger Rushton, Mr Carl Foster and Mr Keith Wood were elected (proposed by Mrs Sally Ball, seconded by Mr Arthur Lamb).

## **7. Co-option of Trustees)**

Mrs Catherine Morris, Mr Arthur Lamb, Mr Peter Bentham, Mr Dave Nolan, Mr John Crouch and Mrs Edna Brandreth were co-opted (proposed by Mr Martin Leake, seconded by Dr Mike Clapp).

## **8. Election of Officers**

The following Officers were elected (proposed by Mr Carl Foster, seconded by Mr Derek Hurdle):

Chairman:	Mr Mike Clapp
Treasurer:	Mr Keith Wood
Secretary:	Mrs Sally Ball

## **9. Goostrey Village Hall Management Committee**

The VHPFF had originally provided some funds towards the building of Goostrey Village Hall and therefore nominates 3 representatives to this Committee (a sub-committee of Goostrey Parish Council). It was agreed that Mrs Sally Ball, Mrs Edna Brandreth and Mr Martin Leake would continue to represent the VHPFF on the Goostrey Village Hall Management Committee (proposed by Dr Mike Clapp, seconded by Mr David Nolan).

## **10. Any Other Business**

- a) The Bowls Club formally thanked the VHPFF for its support for the replacement of the Bowls Pavilion.
- b) It was suggested that the forthcoming Publicity leaflet should include promotion of the VHPFF Lottery which currently has around 60 shares of £5 per month, with 13 prizes including £1,000 at Christmas (50% of the money raised has to be returned in prizes).
- c) Mrs Sarah Pacito asked whether at least one football goal could be free-standing in the field so that casual football could be played by Registered Users. Currently one pair of goals and one large goal are padlocked at the side of the field following misuse by unauthorised users. It was agreed that the Officers would liaise with the Football representatives to try and achieve this.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

*sab/January 2023*

**GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS**  
**Year ending 31 October 2022**

	Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL This Year	TOTAL Last Year
<b>INCOME</b>				
Annual VHPFF Subscriptions	5,855.00		5,855.00	6,506.00
Affiliated Club Subscriptions	3,250.00		3,250.00	3,005.00
Gift Aid	1,363.75		1,363.75	1,383.75
Pavilion Hire	711.47		711.47	403.00
Power Contributions	90.00		90.00	1,332.85
Donations & Fund Raising	0.00	11,500.00	11,500.00	2,401.00
Lottery Income	3,140.00		3,140.00	3,310.00
Miscellaneous	0.00		0.00	9.47
Bank interest	186.64		186.64	4.49
	<u>14,596.86</u>	<u>11,500.00</u>	<u>26,096.86</u>	<u>18,355.56</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
Facilities & Equipment	490.47		490.47	0.00
Pavilion Maintenance	1,291.86		1,291.86	657.98
Grounds & Field Maintenance	3,055.00		3,055.00	3,263.15
Astroturf	9,042.00		9,042.00	404.50
Bowls Maintenance	3,132.66		3,132.66	2,196.79
New Bowls Club House	0.00	2,562.00	2,562.00	0.00
Waste Disposal	514.67		514.67	510.47
Power	450.00		450.00	488.00
Lottery	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,820.00
Fund-raising	0.00		0.00	1,350.00
Administration Expenses	372.20		372.20	321.11
Subscription Refunds	765.00		765.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00		0.00	34.95
Insurance	1,299.24		1,299.24	1,234.34
	<u>22,213.10</u>	<u>2,562.00</u>	<u>24,775.10</u>	<u>12,281.29</u>
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	(7,616.24)	8,938.00	1,321.76	6,074.27
Add Bank and Cash previous year	48,495.40	4,922.65	53,418.05	47,343.78
<b>FUNDS AT 31 October 2022</b>	<u>40,879.16</u>	<u>13,860.65</u>	<u>54,739.81</u>	<u>53,418.05</u>

# GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS FOUNDATION

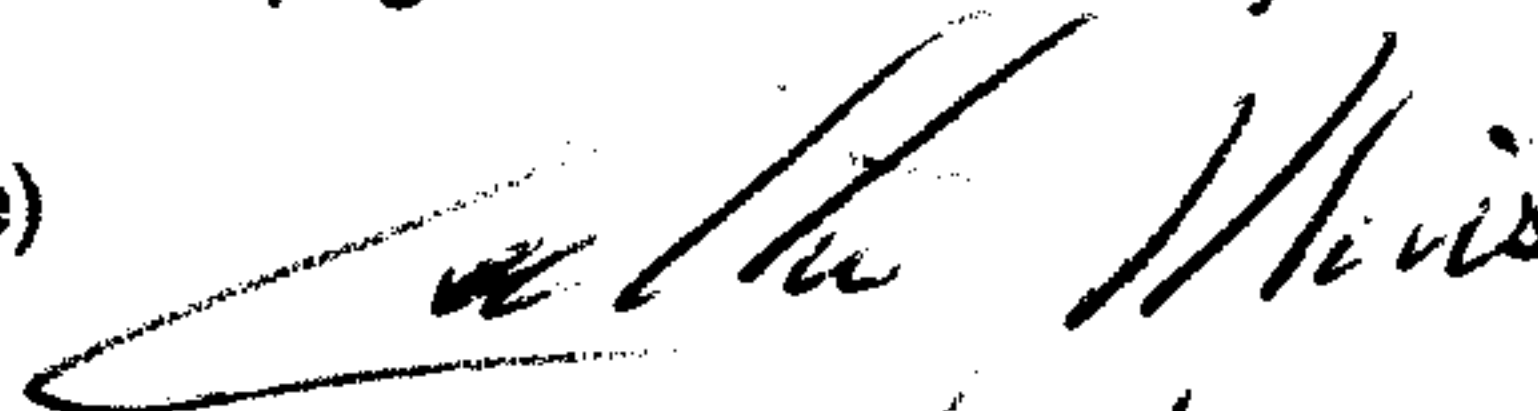
## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 October 2022

### TREASURER'S STATEMENT

I have prepared the financial statements on pages 1 and 2 for the year ended 31 October 2022

CATHERINE  
MORRIS

(name)

  
14/1/23

(signature)  
(date)

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial statements of Goostrey Village Hall & Playing Fields Foundation for the year ended 31 October 2022, which are set out on pages 1 and 2.

#### Respective responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of the procedures specified in the General Direction given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions of the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

#### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the charity, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed by the Independent Examiner:



date: 15 JANUARY 2023

Name and address of the Independent Examiner:

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