

QUENIBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

CHAIRS REPORT 2024 – 2025

The years fly by don't they? It doesn't seem a year ago that I sat down to type up my report on what your Village Hall has been doing for the last twelve months.

We've hosted a number of events through the year, here's just a reminder of some of them:

We had a visit from "Mrs Smith", a comedienne, very popular, and very funny, it was nearly a sell out audience. It's possible she might return to make us laugh again.

The Film club goes from strength to strength and we've received really good reviews for some of the films for the grown up audiences. The family films have gone down really well too.

2025 saw the return of the Pantomime; this has become a village tradition which, owing to COVID, we had to suspend. This year was a take on Dick Whittington which, in true pantomime style, had just enough risqué humour to entertain adults as well as the children; a great success and next year's is already booked.

This year's events and entertainments included the Syston Swing Band, which is always popular and, more recently, the Melton Orchestra for an evening of light classical music. We're hoping that both the above will favour us with visits this year.

Bookings to hire the hall are going very well, a thumbs-up for all the work that went into the car park and toilet updates a few years back.

Of course a lot of our time is taken up with keeping the hall in good order for the regular hirers and "weekend bookers".

Here's a list of the physical things we've done in the last twelve months to keep the hall in good repair and up to date with our hirer's needs:

Extended and replaced the old cracked paving round the back of the hall to give a new clean useable space for the summer, lighter evenings. The old gas meter cupboard has eventually given up the ghost and has been replaced by a brand new custom-built version.

We've finally been able to get rid of the old troublesome conifer stumps to make the rear of the hall more manageable and that has allowed us to plant some traditional fruit trees and decorative small trees. Both types of trees are currently doing well. The fruit trees have blossomed and the "whips" are leafing out very well.

The wildflower garden, which was so successful last summer has been extended and promises to make a great show soon.

With the increased need for electrical power for contractors and hirers alike we have installed external electrical sockets in two locations and the external tap is soon to be joined by another to aid watering the wildflowers in case we have a heat wave. (If only).

The fence at the bottom of the car park has been replaced and looks really nice and is in keeping with the rest of our boundary fencing.

Finally on the subject of "fixtures and fittings" we've had a small set of stage lights added to the hall to make us even more attractive to events and performers.

We've purchased a new large capacity microwave.

We purchased a new A3 printer and laminator set to enable us to make our own posters for publicising events and other important information throughout the village.

One of the problems we faced during film showings was that the curtains shrank a little and let light in on the screen. New material sections were bought, sewn up and added to the existing. Job done!

On the night of the village bonfire organised by the November 5th committee, a stolen car was set alight on the car park. Police and emergency services were called and the blaze was safely extinguished but not before a large area of the car park surface was ruined. Luckily we were insured and the repair was swiftly accomplished and normal service resumed.

One of the more important things we have done for some time is the conversion of our finances to electronic banking. Not only does this do away with those visits to the bank (getting more difficult every year) but it has also enabled us to move forward with a higher yield savings account.

Finally a word of thanks from me for our very hardworking committee, they put a lot of their valuable time and energy into keeping the hall at the centre of events in our village. Thank you team.

The Village Hall is run by volunteers, we meet once a month for a couple of hours: if you have a little spare time and want to put something back into our village this is a good way to do it.

I would like to also take this opportunity to wish you all the best in the 12 months ahead.

Mike Bunn

Chair

QVHMC

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Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31 March 2025

	2024-25		2023-24	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Lettings - Regular Users		17,649		15,022
Lettings - Occasional Users		6,298		7,684
Ground Rent		1,500		3,000
Fundraising		4,320		5,537
Donations		1,323		1,307
Insurance claim		3,818		0
Legacies		0		0
Grants Received		0		0
Interest received		386		128
		<u>35,294</u>		<u>32,678</u>
Expenditure				
Cleaning	12,377		10,078	
Electricity charges	1,802		2,121	
Gas charges	1,204		1,736	
Water charges	2,098		938	
Insurance	1,286		1,262	
Repairs and Renewals	22,644		9,890	
Licences	653		952	
Fundraising expenses	2,841		1,631	
Postage and Stationery	424		18	
Sundry Expenses	434		1,049	
Depreciation	1,552		2,796	
		<u>47,315</u>		<u>32,471</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		<u><u>-12,021</u></u>		<u><u>207</u></u>

Balance Sheet at 31 March 2023

	2025		2,024	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Freehold Land and Buildings		194,250		194,250
Fixture and Fittings		<u>6,836</u>		<u>8,388</u>
		201,086		202,638
Current Assets				
NatWest Bank Accounts	13,401		73,431	
Fundraising Bank Accounts	25,913		25,784	
PayPal Account	401		520	
Co-op Accounts	35,142		0	
Redwood Account	15,204		0	
Cash	374		625	
Debtors	264		674	
	<u>90,699</u>		<u>101,034</u>	
Less Current Liabilities				
Creditors	<u>831</u>		<u>697</u>	
Net Current Assets		89,868		100,337
		<u><u>290,954</u></u>		<u><u>302,975</u></u>
Accumulated Fund		129,941		141,962
Property Revaluation Reserve		161,013		161,013
		<u><u>290,954</u></u>		<u><u>302,975</u></u>

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

	2025 £	2024 £
1)Accumulated Fund		
Balance at 31 March	141,962	141,755
Add - Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	-12,021	207
	<u>129,941</u>	<u>141,962</u>

2) Depreciation

It is the policy of QVHMC to write off the net cost of the fixtures and fittings at a fixed rate of 20% per annum
There is no depreciation provided on freehold property.

3) Freehold Property

Freehold Land and Buildings - Cost	23,987
Revaluation	<u>161,013</u>
	185,000
Disabled Toilets	<u>9,250</u>
	<u>194,250</u>

There is no documentary evidence to back up the valuation of the land and buildings at £185,000 and the committee accept no responsibility for this valuation.

4) Cleaning	2025	2024
Cleaner	7,152	6,504
Cathedral Leasing	611	611
Cleaning Materials	884	705
Skip Hire	2,623	2,018
Window Cleaner	460	240
Pest Control	160	0
Equipment	487	0
	<u>12,377</u>	<u>10,078</u>

5) Repair and Renewals

Fire extinguishers	90	174
Electrical repairs	242	342
Gardening	3,886	868
General repairs	18,426	8,446
	<u>22,644</u>	<u>9,830</u>

6) Sundry Expenses

Accountancy	0	100
ICO	40	40
Film Fees	0	0
Internet Domain	99	0
Gifts	0	150
Memorial	0	631
Paypal Charges	95	128
Equipment	200	0
	<u>434</u>	<u>1,049</u>

Film Fees in Fundraising Expenses

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Queniborough Village Hall Management Committee

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Queniborough Village Hall Management Committee for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity 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 charities 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act: or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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