

AUSTWICK PARISH HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 523477

Details

Other names AUSTWICK PARISH HALL COUNCIL

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1964-04-09

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

Contact

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Pant Lane
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LA2 8BH

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Activities

Objects: PARISH HALL

Activities: The trust says that the premises shall be for the purpose of physical and mental recreation and social, moral and intellectual development for the benefit of the inhabitants of the parish of Austwick and its immediate vicinity. The charity serves the local community by maintaining the trust premises and equipment to provide both a meeting place and opportunities for diverse groups and activities.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** AUSTWICK
- Lancashire
- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£28,606	£27,552	-	-
2024-12-31	£28,217	£46,429	-	-
2023-12-31	£80,843	£29,711	-	-
2022-12-31	£28,049	£25,916	-	-
2021-12-31	£31,534	£13,548	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALEC JOHN RIGBY		
David John Sexton		2026-02-09
Dr KAREN LINDSEY SMITH		2019-02-11
Graham Cleverly		2023-02-06
Josephine Mary Martin		2026-02-09
Merna McVeigh		2016-04-25

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Accounts

Austwick Parish Hall Annual report for the Year Ended 31st December 2025

Austwick Parish Hall, Main street, Austwick, Lancaster, North Yorkshire, LA2 8BN is constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 19th August 1936, and registered with the Charity Commission (charity no. 523477)

The Trustees during the year were:

Chair: Dr Karen Lindsey Smith

Treasurer: Kevin Hale

Secretary: Barbara Sarah France (retired June 2025), Vacancy

Other Trustees during and at the end of 2025: Merna McVeigh, Alec Rigby, Barbara Tibbatts, Margaret Barrington, Graham Cleverly, Angie Jupp.

Trustee sadly passed away during 2025 :Ralph Court.

The charitable objectives of the Trustees are to maintain Austwick Parish Hall for the inhabitants of the parish of Austwick and its immediate vicinity, for community activities and for the use by local groups for social, recreational and educational purposes.

The Parish Hall's accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 have been drawn up and independently reviewed. Copies of statements of (a) the financial assets (balance sheet) and (b) summary cash income receipts and expenditure payments are included at the end of this report. The accounts do not include the freehold property value of the Hall itself (currently valued for insurance purposes at a rebuilding cost of £896,000) as this asset which is also held in trust does not form part of the day-to-day financial activities of the charity.

Hire rates have remained at the level agreed at the last AGM as the financial reserves of the Parish Hall have remained strong.

The following were the main features of the year's finances:

- The financial assets of the charity increased by £1,055 from £96,704 at the start of the year, to £97,759 by the end of 2025.
- Overall, annual income from all sources increased slightly to £28,607 in 2025 from £28,217 in 2024.
- Income from Hall hirings decreased to £3,506 in 2025 from £4,488 in 2024. 2024 receipts included £300 more payments invoiced the previous year than 2025. 2024 included £240 more receipts from family parties plus Yoga classes were held in that year but had finished before 2025. Burns Night was not held in 2025 and hire of tables/chairs and gazebos were higher in 2024.

External hires were higher in 2025 due to Scandimoot hiring the hall for a weekend in May with receipts of £595. They have booked again for 2026.

- Annual fundraising and event income increased slightly to £19,792 in 2025 (2024: £19,152). The Austwick Street Market and Cuckoo Festival was again the key fundraising event in 2025. A wonderful effort was made by volunteers across the community of Austwick and its surrounding area especially considering the weather on the day. The event benefitted from the involvement of most village groups and businesses. The event raised income of £18,009 (2024: £17,126). After related event costs the net surplus was £10,087 (2024: £11,536), of which half, being £5,044 (2024: £5,768) was retained by the Parish Hall. The event surplus is shared 50:50 with fellow local charity the Austwick Playing Fields Association. Other fundraising income included the summer plants stall, a full schedule of film nights , popular quiz nights and Jigsaw club.
- Expenditure decreased to £27,552 in 2024 (2024: £46,429. This included £16,232 for the audio-visual equipment providing an equivalent figure of £30,197)
- Repairs & Maintenance were £4,400 less than last year when the boiler cylinder was replaced and joinery work undertaken.
- An amount of £1,546 is held on behalf of Austwick Playing Fields Association being 50% of the funds held in a former bank account (closed in 2022). Those funds represented monies held jointly with that Association for the purposes of providing working capital to launch each year's Street Market.
- The financial resources of the charity at the end of 2025 of £97,759 were held principally as bank balances at Unity Trust Bank and Skipton Building Society providing a strong opening position for 2026.

The Trustees would like to extend their thanks to all those in and around Austwick who volunteered their time, energies and other resources for the benefit of the charity during the year.

Kevin Hale
Treasurer, Austwick Parish Hall
1st February 2026

AUSTWICK PARISH HALL COUNCIL
Registered Charity No. 523477
STATEMENT OF CASH ASSETS
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	2025	2024	2023	£	f
Balances as at 1 January	96,704.77	114,916.04	63,783.60		
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	1,054.51	(18,211.27)	51,132.44		
Balances as at 31 December	<u>97,759.28</u>	<u>96,704.77</u>	<u>114,916.04</u>		
<u>Represented by:</u>					
Refundable deposit held by Filmbank	150.00	150.00	150.00		
Petty cash	£2,616.88	1289.53	895.56		
Bank balances at HSBC / Unity (current accounts)	20157.92	22807.47	39,221.92		
National Savings Investment Account	0.00	0.00	3,915.35		
Skipton Building Society	74,834.48	72,457.77	70,733.21		
Total	<u>97,759.28</u>	<u>96,704.77</u>	<u>114,916.04</u>		
Unbalanced difference	0.00	0.00	0.00		

Note : At 31 December 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022 and 2021, balances at HSBC / Unity Trust above included **£1,546.62** attributable to Austwick Playing Fields Association, representing a 50% share of £3,093.24 funds held for the joint "Street Market" event.

Completed by :

K Hale

Treasurer, Austwick Parish Hall

Dated : 31 January 2026

I have examined these accounts and the books and records of Austwick Parish Hall Council and I am satisfied that they represent a correct statement of the Council's affairs as at the date stated.

Carol Evans

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Independent Examiner

Dated: 31 January 2026

AUSTWICK PARISH HALL COUNCIL
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SUMMARY RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	To 31 December 2025		To 31 December 2024		To 31 December 2023	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Income</i>						
Hall and equipment hire	£3,506.00		4,488.00		3777.25	
Fundraising and event income	£19,792.00		19,151.88		18492.39	
Rental income	£669.96		669.96		669.96	
Reimbursement of costs	£2,020.93		1,944.90		2491.98	
Covid-19 Government grants	£0.00		0.00		0	
Other grants	£0.00		0.00		924.98	
Bank Interest received	2376.71		1,775.50		269.13	
Donations	£241.00		187.52		54217.8	
		£28,606.60		28,217.76		80,843.49
<i>Expenditure</i>						
Business Rates and Insurance	£ 1,615.96		1,418.64		1274.54	
Utilities and Energy	£ 5,229.51		4,996.24		4587.93	
Repairs, maintenance and caretaking	£ 6,552.49		10,639.57		10563.37	
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	£ 17.00		16,990.17		1274.04	
Expenses of fundraising and events	£ 8,578.99		6,234.60		5947.45	
Miscellaneous, admin. and bank charges	£ 514.49		381.81		135.72	
Playing Fields Assocn share of Fundraising	£ 5,043.65		5,768.00		5928	
		£27,552.09		46,429.03		29,711.05
<i>Net surplus / (deficit)</i>		<u>1,054.51</u>		<u>(18,211.27)</u>		<u>51,132.44</u>

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AUSTWICK PARISH HALL COUNCIL
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STATEMENT OF CASH ASSETS
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024	2023	2022
		£	£
Balances as at 1 January	114,916.04	63,783.60	61,650.27
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	(18,211.27)	51,132.44	2,133.33
Balances as at 31 December	<u>96,704.77</u>	<u>114,916.04</u>	<u>63,783.60</u>

Represented by:

Refundable deposit held by Filmbank	150.00	150.00	150.00
Petty cash	1289.53	895.56	823.86
Bank balances at HSBC, Settle (current accounts)	22807.47	39,221.92	38,430.31
National Savings Investment Account	0.00	3,915.35	3,911.71
Skipton Building Society	72,457.77	70,733.21	20,467.72
Total	<u>96,704.77</u>	<u>114,916.04</u>	<u>63,783.60</u>
Unbalanced difference	0.00	0.00	0.00

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Completed by :

K. Hale

Treasurer, Austwick Parish Hall
Dated : 7 August 2025

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Carol Evans

C A Evans
Independent Examiner
Dated: 7th August 2025

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SUMMARY RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	To 31 December 2024	To 31 December 2023	To 31 December 2022
	£	£	£
<u>Income</u>			
Hall and equipment hire	4,488.00	3777.25	3,559.75
Fundraising and event income	19,151.88	18492.39	17,922.39
Rental income	669.96	669.96	579.14
Reimbursement of costs	1,944.90	2491.98	2,017.29
Covid-19 Government grants	0.00	0	2,667.00
Other grants	0.00	924.98	1,000.00
Bank Interest received	1,775.50	269.13	73.53
Donations	187.52	54217.8	230.00
	<u>28,217.76</u>	<u>80,843.49</u>	<u>28,049.10</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Business Rates and Insurance	1,418.64	1274.54	1,167.81
Utilities and Energy	4,996.24	4587.93	4,251.93
Repairs, maintenance and caretaking	10,639.57	10563.37	7,518.36
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	16,990.17	1274.04	1,662.00
Expenses of fundraising and events	6,234.60	5947.45	4,414.52
Miscellaneous, admin. and bank charges	381.81	135.72	486.15
Playing Fields Assocn share of Fundraising	5,768.00	5928	6,415.00
	<u>46,429.03</u>	<u>29,711.05</u>	<u>25,915.77</u>
<u>Net surplus / (deficit)</u>	<u>(18,211.27)</u>	<u>51,132.44</u>	<u>2,133.33</u>

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Austwick Parish Hall Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

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The Trustees during the year were :

Chair : Dr Karen Lindsey Smith

Treasurer : Robert Glen

Secretary : Angela Jupp

Other Trustees during and at the end of 2023 : Kevin Hale, Merna McVeigh, Alec Rigby, Barbara Tibbatts, Elise Wright, Margaret Barrington (appointed 6th February 2023), Graham Cleverly (appointed 6th February 2023), Ralph Court (appointed 6th February 2023).

Trustee resignations during 2023 : Dr Peter Russell (resigned 24th January 2023), Sue Dewhirst (resigned 6th February 2023), Trevor Brown (appointed 10th July 2023, resigned 24th October 2023).

The charitable objectives of the Trustees are to maintain Austwick Parish Hall for the inhabitants of the parish of Austwick and its immediate vicinity, for community activities and for the use by local groups for social, recreational and educational purposes.

The Parish Hall's accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 have been drawn up and independently reviewed. Copies of statements of (a) the financial assets (balance sheet) and (b) summary cash income receipts and expenditure payments are included at the end of this report. The accounts do not include the freehold property value of the Hall itself (currently valued for insurance purposes at a rebuilding cost of £896,000) as this asset which is also held in trust does not form part of the day-to-day financial activities of the charity.

The gradual process of return to normal levels of Hall usage after the Covid-19 pandemic continued throughout 2023. The special reduced hire rates introduced as a temporary measure during the pandemic were retained throughout the year in order to encourage local user groups back to using the Hall. The financial reserves of the Parish Hall at the end of 2023 remain strong.

The following were the main features of the year's finances :

- The financial assets of the charity increased substantially by **£51,132** from **£63,784** at the start of the year, to **£114,916** by the end of 2023.
- The unusually high increase in the value of the assets was attributable to a generous legacy of **£54,197** from the estate of Joan Crompton, a longstanding resident of Austwick, who passed away in January 2022. In 2023 the trustees approved the purchase of an improved audio-visual projection system in the hall, using a portion of this legacy. This was installed towards the end of the year, and payment will be made early in 2024, which is expected to result in the reduction of the charity's financial assets to a level back below £100,000. The equipment will be used for film night events, village user groups and other activities, and will substantially enhance the capabilities of the hall for hosting these community events.
- Overall, annual income from all sources (excluding the legacy referred to above) decreased slightly to **£26,646** in 2023 from **£28,049** in 2022. However, 2022 had benefitted from the receipt of **£2,667** of Covid-19 government grants which was not repeated in 2023.
- Income from Hall hirings increased slightly to **£3,777** in 2023 from **£3,559** in 2022, although this has remained relatively low when compared with pre-pandemic levels (2019 : £5,661). The process which started in 2022 of local groups gradually returning to their previous patterns of bookings continued through 2023 supported by the discounted hire tariff at special Covid-19 levels introduced in 2020. Hire tariffs were reviewed in 2023 and a new tariff structure has been introduced with effect from the start of 2024. The effect on hire income will be monitored in 2024.
- Annual fundraising and event income increased to **£18,492** in 2023 (2022 : 17,922). The Austwick Street Market and Cuckoo Festival was again the key fundraising event in 2023. This included a number of supporting activities in the early part of the year and culminated in the main event held at the end of May. A tremendous effort was made by volunteers across the community of Austwick and its surrounding area and as always, the event benefitted from the involvement of most village activity groups and businesses. The event raised income of **£16,526** (2022 : £17,026). After related event costs, the net surplus was **£11,855** (2022 : £12,829), of which half, being **£5,928** (2022 : £6,414) was retained by the Parish Hall. The event surplus is shared 50:50 with fellow local charity the Austwick Playing Fields Association. Other fundraising income included the summer plants stall, a restored full schedule of film nights and the introduction of popular quiz nights.

- Expenditure increased to **£29,711** in 2023 (2022 : £25,915). The increase of **£3,796** was driven principally by two items.
 - Costs of hall maintenance increased to **£10,563** (2022 : £7,518), attributable to a series of one-off electrical and weatherproofing repairs to the hall building.
 - Fundraising expenses increased to **£5,947** (2022 : £4,414), as a result of greater activity in fundraising activities compared with 2022, and higher expenses incurred by the Street Market.

- An amount of **£1,546** is held on behalf of Austwick Playing Fields Association, being 50% of the funds held in a former bank account (closed in 2022). Those funds represented monies held jointly with that Association for the purposes of providing working capital to launch each year's Street Market.

- The financial resources of the charity at the end of 2023 of **£114,916** were held principally as bank balances at HSBC, Skipton Building Society and National Savings, and provide a strong financial opening position for 2024.

The Trustees would like to extend their thanks to all those in and around Austwick who volunteered their time, energies and other resources for the benefit of the charity during the year.

Robert Glen,

Treasurer, Austwick Parish Hall.

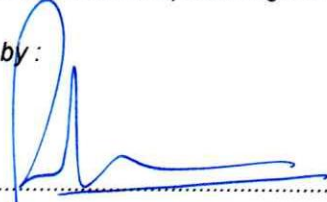
5th February 2024

AUSTWICK PARISH HALL COUNCIL
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STATEMENT OF CASH ASSETS
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023


	2023 £	2022 £	2021 £
Balances as at 1 January	63,783.60 ✓	61,650.27	43,664.69
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	51,132.44 ✓	2,133.33	17,985.58
Balances as at 31 December	<u>114,916.04</u> ✓ AL	<u>63,783.60</u>	<u>61,650.27</u>
Represented by:			
Refundable deposit held by Filmbank	150.00 ✓	150.00	150.00
Petty cash	895.56 ✓	823.86	812.19
Bank balances at HSBC, Settle (current accounts)	39,221.92 ✓	38,430.31	36,382.18
National Savings Investment Account	3,915.35 ✓	3,911.71	3,911.32
Skipton Building Society	70,733.21 ✓	20,467.72	20,394.58
Total	<u>114,916.04</u> ✓	<u>63,783.60</u>	<u>61,650.27</u>
Unbalanced difference	0.00 AL	0.00	0.00

Note : At 31 December 2023, 2022 and 2021, balances at HSBC above included **£1,546.62** attributable to Austwick Playing Fields Association, representing a 50% share of £3,093.24 funds held for the joint "Street Market" event.

Completed by :


 Robert Glen
 Treasurer, Austwick Parish Hall
 Dated: 31 January 2024

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 Andrew Lewis
 Independent Examiner
 Dated: 31 January 2024

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SUMMARY RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	To 31 December 2023		To 31 December 2022	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Income</u>				
Hall and equipment hire	3,777.25		3,559.75	
Fundraising and event income	18,492.39		17,922.39	
Rental income	669.96		579.14	
Reimbursement of costs	2,491.98		2,017.29	
Covid-19 Government grants	0.00		2,667.00	
Other grants	924.98		1,000.00	
Bank Interest received	269.13		73.53	
Donations	54,217.80		230.00	
		<u>80,843.49</u>		<u>28,049.10</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Business Rates and Insurance	1,274.54		1,167.81	
Utilities and Energy	4,587.93		4,251.93	
Repairs, maintenance and caretaking	10,563.37		7,518.36	
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	1,274.04		1,662.00	
Expenses of fundraising and events	5,947.45		4,414.52	
Miscellaneous, admin. and bank charges	135.72		486.15	
Playing Fields Assocn share of Fundraising	5,928.00		6,415.00	
		<u>29,711.05</u>		<u>25,915.77</u>
<u>Net surplus / (deficit)</u>		<u><u>51,132.44</u></u>		<u><u>2,133.33</u></u>

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Other Trustees : Dr Peter Russell (Deputy Chair), Sue Dewhirst, Kevin Hale, Merna McVeigh, Alec Rigby, Barbara Tibbatts, Elise Wright, Ian Shaw (resigned 7th February 2022), Joanna Robinson (resigned 25th April 2022), Catherine Nicholls (resigned 11th October 2022), Rosie Pettiford (resigned 11th November 2022), Molly Preston (resigned 16th November 2022).

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During 2022, the process of recovery of Hall hire bookings continued back towards levels seen before Covid-19, although the special reduced hire rates introduced as a temporary measure during the pandemic were retained throughout the year in order to encourage local user groups back to using the Hall. The financial reserves of the Parish Hall at the end of 2022 remain strong. The following were the main features of the year's finances :

- Overall, income from all sources decreased slightly to £28,049 in 2022 from £31,533 in 2021. However, 2021 had seen unusually high income with the receipt of £17,302 of Covid-19 government grants. The level of income seen in 2022 represents a more typical balance of income from various sources and in particular a return to a normal

calendar of fundraising events, including the annual Street Market and Cuckoo Festival which had been absent in 2020 and 2021.

- Income from Hall hirings increased to £3,559 in 2022 from £2,690 in 2021, although this remained relatively low when compared with the pre-pandemic level of £5,661 seen in 2019. There was a gradual process in 2022 of local groups returning to their previous patterns of bookings and a continuation throughout the year of the discounted hire tariff at the special Covid-19 levels introduced in 2020.
- Fundraising and event income continued to recover from the low point seen in 2020. The Street Market returned as the key fundraising event in 2022. This included a number of supporting activities in the early part of the year and culminated in the main event held at the start of the Queen's Jubilee weekend at the end of May. A tremendous effort was made by volunteers across the community of Austwick and its surrounding area, and as has traditionally been the case, the net proceeds were shared 50:50 with its fellow charity, the Austwick Playing Fields Association. The event raised income of £17,026 and after costs, the net surplus was £12,829, of which £6,414 (50%) was retained by the Parish Hall. Other fundraising income comprised £896 and included the summer plants stall and the return of the popular monthly film nights in the autumn of 2022.
- Compensation for the problems created by Covid-19 continued to be available at the start of 2022 in the form of a final government Covid-19 business grant of £2,667. This compares with amounts claimed in 2021 of £17,302 and £11,334 in 2020.
- A generous grant of £1,000 was also made by the Farrer Family Trust specifically towards the installation of new lighting in the Hall as referred to below.
- Expenditure increased to £25,915 in 2022 from £13,548 in 2021, an additional £12,367, of which £7,622 was attributable to a combination of higher fundraising costs with the return of the Street Market, and the transfer of the 50% share of the net surplus to the Playing Fields Association. These elements of higher expenditure were reflections of the higher fundraising income.
- The remaining increase in expenditure was largely the result of :
 - Well-publicised price rises for heating fuel and electricity.
 - Reinstatement of business rates from April 2022, post-Covid-19.
 - The one-off cost of £1,662 to replace obsolete Hall lighting with low energy units, which was part-funded by the grant of £1,000 referred to above.
 - One-off amounts spent of £1,050 on urgent roofing repairs and £966 on installation of new hand-dryers in the toilets. (NB : there had been a one-off 2021 cost in repairs and maintenance of £852 for replacing a window in the ladies' toilets).

- During the year, in response to the introduction of bank charges by HSBC, the bank account historically used for the Street Market was closed and the balance transferred to the charity's main operating bank account. The closing balance of that account is therefore included in the year-end cash reserves of the Hall, although as shown in the attached statement of financial assets, an amount of £1,546 is attributable to the Austwick Playing Fields Association.
- The net effect in 2022 of the incomes and expenditures reported above was a modest cash surplus of £2,133. This represents a return to a more normal level of financial activity after the surplus of £17,985 in 2021 which was principally attributable to the receipt of government Covid-19 grants. The financial resources of the charity at the end of 2022 were £63,783 held principally as bank balances at HSBC, Skipton BS and National Savings, and which continue to provide a strong financial opening position for 2023.

At the start of 2023, the Hall was fully open for hire albeit still on the reduced tariff introduced back in 2020 to enable small groups to use the large hall with social distancing. Following the successful return of the Austwick Street Market and Cuckoo Festival in 2022, planning for the event in 2023 is already well under way, and current expectations are for 2023 to see the use of the Hall now settling at pre-pandemic levels.

The Trustees would like to extend their thanks to *all those in and around Austwick* who volunteered their time, energies and other resources for the benefit of the charity during the year.

Robert Glen,

Treasurer, Austwick Parish Hall.

6th February 2023

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STATEMENT OF CASH ASSETS
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

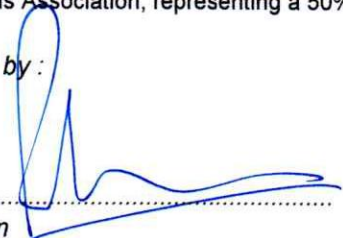
	2022	2021	2020
	£	£	£
Balances as at 1 January	61,650.27	43,664.69	39,938.38
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	2,133.33	17,985.58	3,726.31
Balances as at 31 December	<u>63,783.60</u>	<u>61,650.27</u>	<u>43,664.69</u>

Represented by:


Refundable deposit held by Filmbank	150.00	150.00	150.00
Petty cash	823.86	812.19	407.17
Bank balances at HSBC, Settle (current accounts)	38,430.31	36,382.18	18,922.33
National Savings Investment Account	3,911.71	3,911.32	3,883.36
Skipton Building Society	20,467.72	20,394.58	20,301.83
Total	<u>63,783.60</u>	<u>61,650.27</u>	<u>43,664.69</u>
Unbalanced difference	0.00	0.00	0.00

Note : At 31 December 2022 and 2021, balances at HSBC above included **£1,546.62** attributable to Austwick Playing Fields Association, representing a 50% share of £3,093.24 funds held for the joint "Street Market" event.

Completed by :


 Robert Glen
 Treasurer, Austwick Parish Hall
 Dated : 30 January 2023

I have examined these accounts and the books and records of Austwick Parish Hall Council and I am satisfied that they represent a correct statement of the Council's affairs as at the date stated.


 Andrew Lewis
 Independent Examiner
 Dated: 30 January 2023

AUSTWICK PARISH HALL COUNCIL
Registered Charity No. 523477
SUMMARY RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	To 31 December 2022		To 31 December 2021	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Income</u>				
Hall and equipment hire	3,559.75		2,690.00	
Fundraising and event income	17,922.39		9,631.30	
Rental income	579.14		640.08	
Reimbursement of costs	2,017.29		1,134.88	
Covid-19 Government grants	2,667.00		17,302.00	
Other grants	1,000.00		0.00	
Bank Interest received	73.53		120.71	
Donations	230.00		15.00	
		<u>28,049.10</u>		<u>31,533.97</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Business Rates and Insurance	1,167.81		930.07	
Utilities and Energy	4,251.93		3,133.68	
Repairs, maintenance and caretaking	7,518.36		6,111.61	
Expenses of fundraising and events	4,414.52		732.15	
Miscellaneous, admin. and bank charges	2,148.15		165.88	
Playing Fields Assocn share of Fundraising	6,415.00		2,475.00	
		<u>25,915.77</u>		<u>13,548.39</u>
<u>Net surplus / (deficit)</u>		<u><u>2,133.33</u></u>		<u><u>17,985.58</u></u>

AUSTWICK PARISH HALL

England & Wales - Charity number 523477

Accounts

Austwick Parish Hall Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

Austwick Parish Hall, Main Street, Austwick, Lancaster, North Yorkshire, LA2 8BN is constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 19th August 1936, and registered with the Charity Commission (charity no. 523477).

The Trustees during the year were :

Chair : Dr Karen Lindsey Smith

Treasurer : Robert Glen

Secretary : Angela Jupp

Other Trustees : Dr Peter Russell (Deputy Chair), Sue Dewhirst, Merna McVeigh, Catherine Nicholls, Rosie Pettiford, Molly Preston, Alec Rigby, Joanna Robinson, Ian Shaw, Barbara Tibbatts, Elise Wright, Kevin Hale (appointed 11 October 2021), Sarah Wiltshire (resigned 12 April 2021), Heather Jemson (resigned 12 April 2021).

The charitable objectives of the Trustees are to maintain Austwick Parish Hall for the inhabitants of the parish of Austwick and its immediate vicinity, for community activities and for the use by local groups for social, recreational and educational purposes.

The Parish Hall's accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 have been completed and independently reviewed. Copies of statements of (a) the financial assets (balance sheet) and (b) summary cash income receipts and expenditure payments are included in this report. The accounts do not include the value of the Hall itself (currently valued for insurance purposes at a rebuilding cost of £705,000) as the property asset which is held in trust does not form part of the day-to-day financial activities of the charity.

The first half of 2021 was a continuation of 2020 in the sense that Covid-19 restrictions were in place for much of the time, and the Hall was not available for hire until May. Bookings then gradually restarted in the second half of 2021, although still not yet returning to pre-pandemic levels. The financial reserves of the Parish Hall at the end of 2021 remain strong and were significantly enhanced during the year, principally as a result of government grant support. The following were the main features of the year's finances :

- Overall, income from all sources increased from £16,845 in 2020 to £31,533 in 2021. The increase in 2021 came largely from a higher level of government Covid-19 grants, and the Open Gardens / Grand Draw fundraising event.

- Hall hirings increased to £2,690 in 2021 from £2,099 in 2020 (although still low compared with the pre-pandemic level of £5,661 in 2019). Although there was no income from hirings until late spring, a block booking from North Yorkshire Local Education Authority, two weddings and a stream of regular hires in the second half of the year generated the increased figure for 2021.
- Fundraising and event income recovered substantially from the previous year's low point. The Street Market in May had to be cancelled for the second year running, but an event combining an Open Gardens Day, and the Grand Draw in its usual Street Market format, generated income of £5,881. After costs, the profit was £5,249, of which £2,624 (50%) was allocated to the Parish Hall, with the other 50% allocated to the Austwick Playing Fields Association. Other fundraising of note was a "Reopening" coffee morning in May and a "Freshers Fair" in August, which produced incomes of £119 and £317 respectively. Last but not least was the Plant Stall which generated takings of £520 in 2021 (2020 : £428).
- Compensation for the problems created by Covid-19 was available in the form of government Covid-19 business grants, and the available grants claimed in 2021 totalled £17,302 (2020 : £11,334). Unsurprisingly this was a substantial proportion of the total income for the year.
- As in 2020, some costs for the Parish Hall were lower than usual. Business rates remained suspended as part of government Covid-19 business assistance. Utility costs were higher than in 2021 largely as a result of the timing of oil tank-fills, with three in 2021 and only two in 2020.
- For the first few months of the year, the Hall was effectively mothballed with the opportunity to catch up with some smaller-scale maintenance using caretaking time. Repairs and maintenance costs were lower than in 2020, but the previous year had included a large external wall repointing job. There was a "one-off" 2021 cost in repairs and maintenance of £852 for replacing a window in the ladies' toilets, a minor roof repair for £106 and a £200 asbestos survey (none found).
- The expenses of fundraising of £3,207 are principally attributable to the payment of £2,475 from the proceeds of the Open Gardens / Grand Draw event to the Playing Fields Association. This is in accordance with the 50:50 informal agreement with the PFA to split proceeds of the annual Street Market (or in this case its substitute event). The Street Market HSBC bank account in the Parish Hall's name (closing balance £3,093), is included in the year-end cash reserves of the Hall, although as shown in the attached statement of financial assets, 50% of this (£1,546) is attributable to the PFA.

- The net effect in 2021 of a second year of government-supported income and lower-than-usual costs was a comfortable cash surplus of £17,985 (2020 : £3,726) which increased the financial resources of the Parish Hall from £43,664 at the start of the year to £61,650 by the close. Those resources are held principally as bank balances at HSBC, Skipton BS and National Savings and provide an unusually strong financial start point for 2022. As with 2020 the focus was on conserving financial resources until the long-term prospects for returning to normality become clearer.

At the start of 2022, the Hall was open for hire albeit on the reduced tariff introduced back in 2020 to enable small groups to use the large hall with social distancing. A further Covid-19 government grant was applied for and received in January 2022 via Craven DC for £2,667 which provides an artificially good start to the year's finances. The prospects for a return of the popular and important fundraising event, the Austwick Street Market and Cuckoo Festival, at the start of June 2022 look extremely positive, and current expectations are for a return to pre-pandemic patterns of use and income generation over the course of 2022.

The Trustees would like to extend their thanks to all those in and around Austwick who volunteered their time, energies and other resources for the benefit of the charity during the year.

Robert Glen,

Treasurer, Austwick Parish Hall.

AUSTWICK PARISH HALL COUNCIL
Registered Charity No. 523477
STATEMENT OF CASH ASSETS
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020	2019
	£	£	£
Balances as at 1 January	43,664.69	39,938.38	33,209.76
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	17,985.58	3,726.31	6,728.62
Balances as at 31 December	<u>61,650.27</u>	<u>43,664.69</u>	<u>39,938.38</u>

Represented by:

Refundable deposit held by Filmbank	150.00	150.00	150.00
Petty cash	812.19	407.17	929.77
Bank balances at HSBC, Settle (current accounts)	36382.18	18,922.33	14,875.28
National Savings Investment Account	3,911.32	3,883.36	3,852.54
Skipton Building Society	20,394.58	20,301.83	20,130.79
Total	<u>61,650.27</u>	<u>43,664.69</u>	<u>39,938.38</u>
Unbalanced difference	0.00	0.00	0.00

Note : At 31 December 2021, the balances at HSBC above included an amount of **£1,546.62** attributable to Austwick Playing Fields Association, representing a 50% share of £3,093.24 funds in the Parish Hall HSBC "Street Market Account".

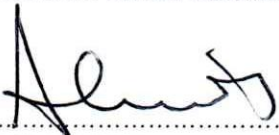
Completed by :


 Robert Glen
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Dated : January 2022

6TH FEBRUARY

I have examined these accounts and the books, records, bank statements and petty cash of the Austwick Parish Hall Council and I am satisfied that they represent a correct statement of the Council's affairs as at the date stated.


 Andrew Lewis
 Independent Examiner

Dated: January 2022

6TH FEBRUARY

AUSTWICK PARISH HALL COUNCIL
Registered Charity No. 523477
SUMMARY RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	To 31 December 2021		To 31 December 2020	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Income</u>				
Hall and equipment hire	2,690.00		2,099.50	
Fundraising and event income	9,631.30		1,198.50	
Rental income	640.08		640.08	
Reimbursement of costs	1,134.88		1,121.79	
Covid-19 Government grants	17,302.00		11,334.00	
Bank Interest received	120.71		201.86	
Donations	15.00		250.17	
		<u>31,533.97</u>		<u>16,845.90</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Business Rates and Insurance	930.07		934.61	
Utilities	3,133.68		2,344.71	
Repairs, maintenance and caretaking	6,111.61		8,980.15	
Expenses of fundraising and events	3,207.15		713.28	
Miscellaneous	165.88		146.84	
		<u>13,548.39</u>		<u>13,119.59</u>
<u>Net surplus / (deficit)</u>		<u><u>17,985.58</u></u>		<u><u>3,726.31</u></u>