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Income and Expenditure - 2022

Account	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL	Previous Year
INCOME				
Regular Bookings	£995.00	£0.00	£995.00	£3,490.00
Car Parking	£117.00	£0.00	£117.00	£40.50
Hall Bookings - Irregular	£1,667.53	£0.00	£1,667.53	£860.00
Hall Activity Revenue	£2,779.53	£0.00	£2,779.53	£4,390.50
Grants - Restricted Funds	£0.00	£186,949.00	£186,949.00	£100,000.00
Donations	£1,500.00	£0.00	£1,500.00	£1,195.93
Grants - Not Restricted Funds	£1,500.00	£0.00	£1,500.00	£10,000.00
Total - Other Income	£3,000.00	£186,949.00	£189,949.00	£111,195.93
Interest income	£79.50	£0.00	£79.50	£4.06
Total - Finance Income	£79.50	£0.00	£79.50	£4.06
TOTAL INCOME	£5,859.03	£186,949.00	£192,808.03	£115,590.49
EXPENDITURE				
Event Supplies	-£350.69	£0.00	-£350.69	£0.00
TOTAL - Cost of Sales	-£350.69	£0.00	-£350.69	£0.00
Insurance	-£1,119.92	£0.00	-£1,119.92	-£1,724.91
Gas	-£297.27	£0.00	-£297.27	-£820.00
Electricity	-£380.49	£0.00	-£380.49	-£236.00
TOTAL - Utilities and Insurance	-£1,797.68	£0.00	-£1,797.68	-£2,780.91
Telephone & Internet	-£381.48	£0.00	-£381.48	-£284.76
TOTAL - COMMUNICATIONS	-£381.48	£0.00	-£381.48	-£284.76
Printing and stationery	-£53.99	£0.00	-£53.99	£0.00
Cleaning	-£224.44	£0.00	-£224.44	-£314.36
Maintenance	-£426.60	£0.00	-£426.60	-£313.48
Maintenance Supplies	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	-£107.24
IT and Website	-£371.90	£0.00	-£371.90	-£356.24
Consultancy Fees	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	-£1,074.00
TOTAL - General Administration	-£1,076.93	£0.00	-£1,076.93	-£2,165.32
Bookkeeping	-£400.00	£0.00	-£400.00	-£356.25
TOTAL - Professional Fees	-£400.00	£0.00	-£400.00	-£356.25
TV license	-£159.00	£0.00	-£159.00	-£157.50
Lotteries license	-£10.00	£0.00	-£10.00	£0.00
Entertainment licences	-£132.00	£0.00	-£132.00	-£45.36
TOTAL - Licences and Subscriptions	-£301.00	£0.00	-£301.00	-£202.86
Building Works	£0.00	-£237,085.74	-£237,085.74	-£40,290.51
Planning Fees	-£115.00	£0.00	-£115.00	-£460.00
Inspection Fees and Licences	£0.00	-£414.00	-£414.00	£0.00
Architect Fees	-£3,003.00	-£3,608.14	-£6,611.14	£0.00
AV Equipment	£0.00	-£4,236.25	-£4,236.25	£0.00
Building work on retention	£0.00	-£5,231.08	-£5,231.08	£0.00
Legal Fees	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	-£100.00
TOTAL - Community Facilities Programme	-£3,118.00	-£250,575.21	-£253,693.21	-£40,850.51
Total Expenditure	-£7,425.78	-£250,575.21	-£258,000.99	-£46,640.61
Net of Income/Expenditure	-£1,566.75	-£63,626.21	-£65,192.96	£68,949.88

Notes	
Grants Received	
Awarding Body	Amount
Welsh Government	£150,000
BBNP	£2,000
Powys County Council	£3,389
WCVA	£31,560
Oakdale Trust	£1,500

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