

SEDBERGH PEOPLE'S HALL
Charity Reg. No. 523829
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
and
UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
for the year ended 30 September 2024

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Legal and administrative information

Governing document

Sedbergh People's Hall is an Unincorporated Association, governed by a Trust Deed dated 1 June 1959 and registered as a Charity.

Management of the Charity is vested in the Management Committee, the members of which are the Charity Trustees. Occasionally a small group may prepare documents or engage in short term projects.

At each AGM the current Trustees resign, and Trustees are elected for the next year. Current Trustees may stand for re-election. We appoint non trustees to assist. All new Trustees are inducted during their initial attendances at the Management meetings and encouraged to play a part according to their availability and skills.

We have loose relationships with other Sedbergh organisations such as the Parish Council, Chamber of Trade and Business, Community Trust, etc. and co-operate on mutual projects. We collaborate with our hirers to ensure they obtain the best value from our facilities.

Management Committee

The following have served on the Management Committee for at least part of the year ended 30 September 2024:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date Acted if not whole year</u>	<u>Appointing Body</u>
Mr Steve Longlands	Chair		
Mr Peter Taaffe	Treasurer		
Mr Chris Wood	Booking Secretary		
Mr Ian Hutt			
Mrs Sandra Longlands			
Mrs Yvonne Cervetti			
Mrs Carole Nelson			
Mr Stuart Wetherell			People's Gym & Fitness Centre

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Legal and administrative information (continued)

Principal address:

Howgill Lane, Sedbergh, Cumbria LA10 5DQ

Address for written communication:

Booking Secretary, Sedbergh People's Hall, -Howgill Lane, Sedbergh, Cumbria LA10 5DQ

Bankers:

NatWest Bank, 55 Main Street, Kirkby Lonsdale, Carnforth, Lancashire LA6 2WY

Solicitors:

McGarry & Co, 54 Main Street, Sedbergh, Cumbria LA10 5AB

Independent Examiner:

Ian Thompson FCA, Saint & Co, The Old Police Station, Church Street, Ambleside, Cumbria LA22 0BT

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Report of the Trustees

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Objects of the charity

The objects of the charity are:

To hold the People's Hall upon trust for the purposes of a Village Hall for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Sedbergh without distinction of sex or political, religious or other opinions, and in particular for use for meetings, lectures and classes, and for other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

Activities

The main activities are the hiring of the hall for activities defined in the Constitution. We also run events for the public benefit, such as dances and touring theatre.

The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

The financial year 2023-2024 saw only minor repairs after extensive improvements in the prior year to both enhance the experience of the hall users and maintain the building in an appropriate state. Bookings remained high reflecting this, although slightly down on the previous year.

Financial review

In the year ended 30 September 2024, the Hall received hire income of £19,208 (2023 £20,507). We are holding restricted funds of £2,082 to be spent on the Queen's Canopy project, and a further unrestricted £2,500 from the Jubilee Wood Grant.

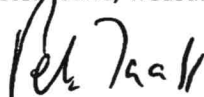
We received an exceptionally generous donation from our former Treasurer, Gina Barney, made only months before her very sad loss, and a legacy in her will, totalling £15,000. The Hall is dependent on the generosity of our donors in supporting our improvement works to the Hall itself.

This meant that the year closed with a healthy bank balance of over £36,109 (2023 £14,013) which helps to give confidence that the trustees can continue to maintain and develop the hall.

Steve Longlands, Chair



Peter Taaffe, Treasurer



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SEDBERGH PEOPLE'S HALL

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 30 September 2024, as set out on pages 7 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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 Trust's accounts carded 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 respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Ian Thompson FCA
Saint & Co Chartered Accountants,
The Old Police Station
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Date

SEDBERGH PEOPLE'S HALL**Charity Reg. No. 523829****Receipts and Payments Account****For the year ended 30 September 2024**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
Receipts				
Donations, Legacies & Grants	15,989.50		15,989.50	13,500.00
Hires & Rents	19,208.88		19,208.88	20,507.00
Interest on Reserve Account	0.36		0.36	0.22
Electricity Recharges to the Gym	1,717.52		1,717.49	1,618.82
Sundry Income	168.00		168.00	187.20
Total Receipts	37,084.26		37,084.23	35,813.24
Payments				
Repairs, Renewals & Maintenance	958.37	200.00	1,158.37	4,414.82
Alterations & Improvements	-		-	9,801.80
Lighting & Heating	3,923.42		3,923.42	4,980.66
Water, Sewerage & Refuse Collection	1,924.54			1,660.20
Caretaking & Cleaning	4,117.50		4,117.50	4,800.96
Insurance	2,456.88		2,456.88	2,159.80
Licences	382.37		382.37	961.60
Printing, Postage, Stationery & Advertising	-		-	225.00
Sundry	490.30		490.30	905.67
Admin Expenses & Materials	534.92		534.92	711.31
Independent Examination Fees	630.00		630.00	600.00
Total Payments	15,418.30	200.00	15,618.30	31,221.82
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	21,665.93	(200.00)	21,465.93	4,591.42
Cash Funds Brought Forward	11,730.79	2,282.50	14,013.29	9,421.87
Cash Funds at 30 September 2024	33,396.75	2,082.50	35,479.25	14,013.29

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

For the year ended 30 September 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
Cash Funds				
NatWest No1 Current Account	14,986.08		14,986.08	7,840.51
NatWest No2 Current Account	18,864.72	2,232.50	21,097.22	6,147.22
NatWest Reserve Account	25.95		25.95	25.56
Total Cash Funds Per Receipts and Payments Account	33,876.75	2,232.50	36,109.25	14,013.29
Liabilities				
Creditors & Accrued Expenses	630.00		630.00	-
Net Assets	33,246.75	2,232.50	35,479.25	14,013.29
Assets Retained for the Charity's Own Use				
Insurance Valuation 6/6/2024				
Buildings	2,774,000.00			2,687,985.00
Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings	59,965.00			54,514.00

Approved by the Trustees on 9.4.2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Steve Longlands, Chair



Peter Taaffe, Treasurer

