

Scawby Village Hall Management Committee

Chairman's Report – Year Ending MARCH 2021

The Trustees manage the village hall and make every effort to keep costs down and standards high. The village hall is an asset to Scawby village and this is due to the hard work of the members who are all volunteers.

The past two years have been the strangest of times which I don't think any of us could have predicted. Lockdown brought about the loss of the Whist group and Tara's dance school and the resignation of our long-standing caretaker, Lin. Both announcements were met with surprise and regret. After a local advertising campaign we managed to recruit a new caretaker but this, sadly, didn't last as the job was not what she expected. Luckily, we then managed to secure Jo, who lives locally and is doing a fabulous job.

We tried to keep the hall open, when permitted, during the lockdown period by quickly introducing and adapting our current situation and practices to comply with the government guidelines. One of these measures was to employ a Scunthorpe cleaning company to undertake a deep clean and then to clean every few months as and when we thought it was needed. This was beneficial for our peace of mind as well as any users of the hall. Unfortunately we were still unable to open for the majority of the lockdown period but we were ready to go when the green light was given.

Another side-effect of Lin's departure was the vacancy for a Booking Secretary as Lin was due to undertake this position when Margaret resigned from the post. We were very lucky that Rosemary chose to take the job, on a temporary basis, as it's the one of the few posts she hasn't done! She's doing a fabulous job of keeping the diary busy and in order. There are still some sessions available so we hope to have them utilised soon to maintain the community use.

Dawn relinquished the post of Treasurer but this has been filled by Sue Buss. After a lengthy process we have successfully

installed internet banking on the account which makes it much easier and safer for Sue to keep the accounts running smoothly. As Sue was our auditor we'll need an independent person to audit the books next year.

There have been several improvements and changes made again, even though we were closed, including the renovation of the ladies' toilet, a complete overhaul of Bunty's garden which included replacing the pebbles with astroturf, gas and electrical work that has resulted in a new hand dryer in the kitchen and 2 new radiators on the front of the stage which should go some way to solving the heating problems in the main hall. The job of replacing blown windows continues. We successfully applied for Covid grants from North Lincolnshire Council and received £21,232 which allowed us to keep everything running without worrying about the finances and also allowed these improvements to take place.

Externally the concrete planters have been replaced with one long and continuous planter. The work was undertaken by Tom Strawson and has been built in brick which is sympathetic to the back wall on the new cottages. The village hall has paid for this work and the Parish Council will pay for planting and maintenance. It has been pointed out that the gap at the end of the planter nearest to the cottages is being used by school users and others as a short cut to the pavement so we have asked Tom to continue the planter to the wall to prevent any accidents. He will also fill in the gap at the back corner of the car park as it could be a tripping hazard, particularly in poor light.

I would like to once again thank everyone who contributes to the running of the hall in whatever way they can, whether by serving on the committee or promoting or attending any classes or events but all of our committee deserve the highest commendation as the hall really couldn't function without all of your input. It's a testament to the kindness of human nature that so many give of their time and expertise.

Thank you again for your continued support. Keep up the good work and we will look forward to another successful year, hopefully under better circumstances.

SCAWBY VILLAGE HALL

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

ALL FIGURES IN £S

OPENING BALANCES

	2021	2020
Nat West Bank	9756	5662
Nottingham BS	<u>14072</u>	<u>14058</u>
	23828	19720

RECEIPTS

Income from Letting	1098	19945
Scawby Over 60's/Donations	6593	320
North Lincolnshire Grant	21232	0
Interest	21	0
	28944	20265
	<u>52772</u>	<u>39985</u>

LESS PAYMENTS

Hall Expenses

Labour Costs	360	2315
Maintenance/Repairs	4260	2694
Heating and Lighting	1533	3436
Solar panel income	-116	-109
Water Charges	316	385
Insurance	1237	1218
PRS	479	459
Telephone	90	132
Officials expenses	0	600
Sundry Expenses	<u>429</u>	<u>938</u>
	8588	12068

New chairs	***	2464	1332
New cups & saucers		0	252
New glass window units		0	1285
New internal doors		<u>0</u>	<u>1220</u>
		2464	4089

CLOSING Balances

	<u>41720</u>	<u>23828</u>
Nat West Bank	41720	9756
Nottingham BS	0	14072
	<u>41720</u>	<u>23828</u>

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Scawby Village Hall

Responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. You consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1963. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records, it also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by these accounts.

The charity derives a proportion of its income from sources which cannot be fully controlled until they are entered in the accounting records and are therefore not susceptible to independent verification. Wherever this verification was not possible I have accepted assurances from the trustees that all the charity's transactions have been reflected in the records.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention which

- 1) give me any reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act, and to prepare accounts which accord with the counting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act, have not been met; or
- 2) in my opinion, require further attention in order to enable a proper understanding to be reached.

S M Buss

13st May 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S M Buss', is written over a horizontal line. Below this line, there is a long, sweeping horizontal stroke that extends across the width of the signature area.