

BOLTON LE SANDS VILLAGE HALL

England & Wales · Charity number 700264

Details

Other names BOLTON-LE-SANDS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1988-05-23

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CHARITY SHALL BE FOR THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF A VILLAGE HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE PARISH OF BOLTON LE SANDS WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, INCLUDING 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. THE SAID LAND AND BUILDING SHALL BE HELD UPON TRUST FOR THE PURPOSES OF A VILLAGE HALL AS AFORESAID.

Activities: To provide and maintain a village hall for use of the inhabitants of the parish of Bolton-Le-Sands and surrounding district, without distinction of political, religious or other opinions. Used 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 inhabitants and hirers of the centre.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** PARIS OF BOLTON LE SANDS
- Cumbria
- Lancashire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£21,125	£28,425	-	-
2024-03-31	£21,169	£28,373	-	-
2023-03-31	£28,373	£47,089	-	-
2022-03-31	£22,923	£10,831	-	-
2021-03-31	£43,747	£43,429	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dorothy Diane Carruthers	Chair	
Anne Pinder		2025-05-21
Barbara Kershaw		2018-05-10
Brian Phillip Lloyd		2018-05-10
Diane Mead		2021-02-19
Helen Elizabeth Williams		2018-05-10
Ian Gittins		2026-05-19
Janet Smith		2018-05-10
Jean Margaret Bayliss		2018-05-10
Joyce Carol Bond		2018-05-10
KATHLEEN LANE		2021-01-01
Lesley Carol Bailey		2018-05-10
Louise Belcher		2018-05-10
Peter Bayliss		2018-05-10
SHARMAN DOROTHY ROBINSON		
Stephanie Ann Tulej		2018-05-10
Stephen Bruce Belbin		2026-05-19
Thomas Ian Birnie		2018-05-10

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Accounts and Report for the year ended 31 March 2024

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Bolton-le-Sands Village Hall

Annual Report

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Structure, governance and management

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Management Committee

The charity is administered by a Management Committee, at 31 March 2023 comprising:

Chairperson	-	Mrs Dorothy Dianne Carruthers
Vice Chair	-	
Secretary	-	Mr Thomas Ian Birnie
Treasurer	-	Mr Peter Bayliss
Booking Secretary	-	Mrs Sharman Robinson

Representatives of the Village Hall user organisations.

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The Full Committee met on three occasions during the year.

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Financial review

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Annual Report (continued)

Review of the year

The Hall usage returned to pre-covid 19 levels. Bookings totalled 441 for the year. An average of 37 per month, ranging from 46 in May to 22 in December.

The hire charges of £19,134 is £3,041 more than the previous year [18.9%] and is also very similar to the pre-covid years of 2019 and 2020.

The Hall is used by a variety hirers, including, Art Group, Ballet, Carnforth Choral Society, Horticultural Society, Innovative Pilates, Lancaster and District Choral Soc., Pickle Ball, Sequence Dancers, St Johns Hospice Choir, Stagestruck, Superball Paul, WI Meetings and regular Coffee Mornings. In additional, there are one off events and family parties etc.

The planned programme for the replacement of the window bases and render on the wall facing the tennis court ,which is subject to the greatest temperature variation on the building, has been deferred until next year.

The grant of £2,000 from the Parish Council, is a contribution to the cost of this project.

The Audio system has been upgraded and expanded to facilitate connection through mobile devices.

The centre is published by Lancaster District Community & Voluntary Solutions directory.

The centre's website is available through BLS Parish Council portal. The Calendar is available through it, giving potential availability and Booking enquiry form. Further additions to the website are planned.

I must record my appreciation to all those willing volunteers who have worked so hard over the past year to maintain our Village Hall. Whilst it could not happen without such a strong team I must commend Mike Ashton, and the officers of the Management Committee. In addition, I must record my appreciation of the years of work provide by Carol Wolfenden, who retired at the end of October 2023 and to welcome Samantha Jones as our new self employed cleaner.

I need also to express my gratitude to Sharman Robinson, our Bookings Secretary, for her continued commitment to such a huge and time consuming operation that is so vital to the successful running of the Village Hall.

It is our hope that the Community Centre will maintain and retain its central place within village life.



Mrs Dorothy Dianne Carruthers

Chairperson

Date 5th May 2024

On behalf of the Management Committee

Bolton-le-Sands Village Hall

Receipts and Payments Account year ending 31 March 2024

RECEIPTS

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>GRANTS and DONATIONS</u>		
Bolton le Sands Bonfire Committee	-	50.00
LEF grant [for solar power]	-	12,200.00
BLS Parish Council	2,000.00	
Sundry donations and other income.	35.00	30.00
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	2,035.00	12,280.00
 <u>TRADING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Hire charges for use of Hall and facilities	19,134.00	16,093.00
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Sub total	21,169.00	28,373.00
 <u>INVESTMENT INCOME</u>		
Bank Interest	-	-
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	21,169.00	28,373.00

Bolton-le-Sands Village Hall

Receipts and Payments Account year ending 31 March 2024 continued

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Receipts b/fwd	21,169.00	28,373.00
<u>Direct Charitable Payments</u>		
Repairs and maintenance [inc roof]	1,025.30	20,046.36
Solar power installation	710.00	12,840.00
PRS/PPL Performing Rights	176.28	284.88
Electricity	3,548.43	2,120.91
Gas	2,956.86	2,820.10
Water Charges	2,227.03	1,495.38
Less Recovered from Re-charges	(4,469.47)	(3,204.58)
Cleaning and Waste Disposal	935.19	664.95
Cleaning & Caretaking Services	5,265.48	4,840.29
Less LCC Contribution to Disabled Toilet	(625.73)	(611.06)
Less PC Contribution to Supplies etc	(375.45)	(161.01)
Insurances	997.26	946.41
Equipment [inc new stage]	1,200.07	4,155.43
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	13,571.25	46,238.06
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<u>Other Payments</u>		
Independent Examiners Fee	120.00	120.00
Annual Licence Fee – LAPLNA1019	70.00	70.00
Community Futures	-	30.00
Booking Telephone cost	45.83	47.88
Internet Charges	310.06	308.84
Stationery, Postage & Sundry Expenses	265.56	274.12
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	811.45	850.84
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Total Payments	14,382.70	47,088.90
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Net increase /(decrease) in assets for the year	6,786.30	(18,715.90)

	Funds	Deposit	Accounts
Opening Balance 2023	22,285.56	319.50	22,605.06
Increase for the year	6,786.30		6,786.30
Increased Deposits		820.99	820.99
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Closing Balance at 31.03.2024	29,071.86	1,140.49	30,212.35

Bolton-le-Sands Village Hall

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 March 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>Monetary Assets</u>		
Bank Current Account	30,865.45	22,849.03
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Bank statements 31 st March	30,865.45	22,849.03
Payments included above but not yet cleared at bank	653.00	243.97
Receipts included above not yet credited by bank	-	-
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<u>Balance as Books of Account</u>	30,212.35	22,605.06

Non-Monetary Assets

Permanent Endowment

Buildings used by the charity: The Village Hall (freehold title held by Bolton-le-Sands Parish Council as Custodian Trustee who also own the land on which the Hall stands). The Hall is insured for £852,764.

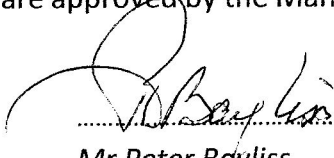
Assets retained for the charity's own use

Contents of hall, including furniture, tables, chairs, floor cleaner, cleaning appliances, kitchen utensils, cutlery and crockery, fully fitted kitchen appliances etc. These assets are insured for £59,884. Trustees indemnity is also insured for £250,000

Declaration

The receipts and payments account for the financial year ended 31 March 2024 and the statement of assets and liabilities at that date are approved by the Management Committee.


.....
Mrs Dorothy Dianne Carruthers
Chairperson


.....
Mr Peter Bayliss
Treasurer

Date 5th May 2024

..... 29th April 2024

Independent Examiners Report

To The Trustees / Members of Bolton-Le-Sands Village Hall/Community Centre

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Bolton -Le-Sands Village Hall/ Community Centre (the Community Centre) for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Community Centre 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 Community Centre's 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 respect of the Community Centre 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.

Signed 

Tracy Seton CPFA
21 Broadlands Drive
Bolton-le-Sands
LA5 8BH

Date 

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for the year ended
31 March 2021**

The year of the Covid-19 pandemic.

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Other members	-	Mr Thomas Stephenson

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The Committee met on two occasions during the year due to the restrictions applied by HMG

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Annual Report (continued)

THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC YEAR

This financial year has been extraordinary due to impact of the Covid-19 virus restrictions applied by HMG. The Hall was only open for 11 weeks, during the 52 week year, and then on a very restricted basis. Covid secure procedures were in operation at all times. The effect on the income from Hire charges was significant. The major bequest from Betty Cottam and HMG Business support grants have been extremely welcome and more than made up for the shortfall in hiring fees.

Details of main elements of income:

Bank Switching Incentive	1,500
Hire charges	2,013
Betty Cottam Bequest	19,208
Business Support Grants	21,003

The enforced closure of the hall, for hiring purposes, provided a window for the programme of major maintenance to be completed. During the closure, other non-planned repairs, replacements and maintenance had to be undertaken.

Details of major upgrade expenditure:

Redecoration inside and painting metal work etc outside
Replacement gas boiler
Replacement of pipework to Kitchen etc
Re-surface the main Hall floor
Replacement of all curtains, rails etc
Replacement of small tables and chair dolleys

I must record my appreciation to all those willing volunteers who have worked so hard over the past year to upgrade our Village Hall. Whilst it could not happen without such a strong team I must commend Mike Ashton, Carol Wolfenden and the officers of the Management Committee.

I need also to express my gratitude to Sharman Robinson, our Bookings Secretary, for her commitment to such a huge and time consuming operation that is so vital to the successful running of the Village Hall.

It is the fervent hope of us all that the Community Centre will be permitted to resume its central place within village life as soon as safely possible after the present enforced closure due to the Covid-19 pandemic has ended.



Mrs Dorothy Dianne Carruthers

Chairperson

Date 18th May 2021

On behalf of the Management Committee

Bolton-le-Sands Village Hall

Receipts and Payments Account year ending 31 March 2021

RECEIPTS

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>GRANTS and DONATIONS</u>		
Bolton le Sands Bonfire Committee	-	80.00
Betty Cottam – Bequest	19,208.51	
HMG / LCC support grants	21,003.21	
Bank Switching incentive	1,500.00	
Sundry donations and other income.	20.00	486.00
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	41,731.72	566.00
<u>TRADING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Hire charges for use of Hall and facilities	2,013.50	18,865.75
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Sub total	43,745.22	19,431.75
<u>INVESTMENT INCOME</u>		
Bank Interest	1.81	10.35
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	43,747.03	19,442.10

Bolton-le-Sands Village Hall

Receipts and Payments Account year ending 31 March 2021 continued

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Receipts brought forward	43,747.03	19,442.10
 <u>Direct Charitable Payments</u>		
Repairs and maintenance	34,432.71	10,638.68
PRS/PPL Performing Rights	448.40	462.68
Electricity	884.92	1,525.89
Gas	1,622.92	2,825.03
Water Charges	1,548.63	1,335.60
Less Recovered from Re-charges	(1,709.93)	(1456.95)
Covid-19 Security costs	363.36	-
Cleaning and Waste Disposal	666.04	975.44
Cleaning & Caretaking Services	3,883.57	4,413.79
Less LCC Contribution to Disabled Toilet	(593.26)	(581.63)
Less PC Contribution to Supplies etc	(396.89)	(429.57)
Insurances	884.43	876.14
Equipment	631.32	89.95
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	42,666.22	20,675.05
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 <u>Other Payments</u>		
Independent Examiners Fee	120.00	100.00
Advertising	243.00	-
Community Futures	50.00	-
Booking Telephone cost	52.88	52.57
Internet Charges	82.80	-
Stationery, Postage & Sundry Expenses	214.34	196.58
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	763.02	349.15
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Total Payments	43,429.24	21,024.20
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Net increase /(decrease) in assets for the year	317.79	(1,582.10)
Key and other deposits held in reserve	80.00	-
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Cash and bank balance at 31 March	28,990.00	28,592.21

Bolton-le-Sands Village Hall

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 March 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Monetary Assets</u>		
Bank Reserve Account	-	5,142.32
Bank Current Account	29,440.00	23,522.63
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Bank statements 31 st March	29,440.00	28,664.95
Payments included above but not yet cleared at bank	450.00	926.74
Receipts included above not yet credited by bank	-	854.00
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<u>Balance as Books of Account</u>	28,990.00	28,592.21

Non-Monetary Assets

Permanent Endowment

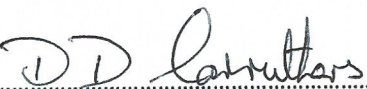
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Assets retained for the charity's own use

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Declaration

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Mr Peter Bayliss
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Date 18th May 2021

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Date *18 May 2021*