CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From 01/01/2025 Period start date To 31/12/2025 Period end date**

**Charity name: Hermitage Village Hall CIO**

**Charity registration number: 1155399**

## Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
|---|---|---|
| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | Establish and run a village hall and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Hermitage and the neighbourhood ("area of benefit") without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or political, religious or other opinions the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants. |
| Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts. | Para 1.17 and 1.19 | We co-operate with other voluntary organisations, statutory authorities and individuals. We arrange and provide for, either alone or with others, the holding of exhibitions, meetings, lectures, classes, seminars or training courses, and all forms of recreational and other leisure-time activities. We raise funds to maintain existing facilities and provide additional facilities where possible. |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | The trustees are aware and have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit |

**Additional information (optional)**
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
|---|---|---|
| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38 | |

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| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | |
| Contribution made by volunteers | Para 1.38 | |
| Other | | |

## Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
|---|---|---|
| Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole. | Para 1.20 | Throughout the year the charity provided a venue for the community to engage in a variety of interests and activities that included:<br>Pre-school<br>Dog training classes<br>Yoga classes<br>Karate classes<br>Boxing fitness training classes<br>Pilates<br>Seated exercise<br>Dance classes<br>Wine Society<br>War Games<br>The hall also provided a venue for celebratory events such as children's parties and weddings. In addition, the Hall has provided a venue for theatrical and music events, festivals, the Parish Council Annual Assembly and, when needed, a polling station. |

**Additional information (optional)**
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Achievements against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |
| Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |

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| Investment performance against objectives | Para 1.41 | |
| Other | | |

# Financial Review

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | **Net Assets £52,762** |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | The charity holds at least 6 months running costs in a separate account. |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | **£25,000** |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves | Para 1.22 | |
| Details of fund materially in deficit | Para 1.24 | |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | |

**Additional information (optional)**
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | |
| Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted | Para 1.46 | |
| A description of the principal risks facing the charity | Para 1.46 | |
| Other | | |

## Structure, Governance and Management

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter) | Para 1.25 | **Trust Deed** |
| How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO) | Para 1.25 | **CIO** |
| Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees | Para 1.25 | **Elected at AGM or co-opted** |

**Additional information (optional)**
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees | Para 1.51 | |
| The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works | Para 1.51 | |
| Relationship with any related parties | Para 1.51 | |
| Other | | |

## Reference and Administrative details

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| Charity name | Hermitage Village Hall |
| Other name the charity uses | |
| Registered charity number | 1155399 |
| Charity's principal address | Pinewood Crescent<br>Hermitage<br>Thatcham<br>Berks RG189WL |
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**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

| | Trustee name | Office (if any) | Dates acted if not for whole year | Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | John Lawler | Chair | | |
| 2 | Deborah Arden-Hunt | Vice Chair | | |
| 3 | Daniel Hawkins | Treasurer | | |
| 4 | Helen Hamilton | | 01/01/2025 – 01/10/2025 | |
| 5 | Jane Staunton | | | |
| 6 | Pam Marr | | | |
| 7 | Malcolm Disson | | 01/01/2025 – 01/10/2025 | |
| 8 | David Byrne-Bellinger | | 04/04/2025 - 31/12/2025 | |
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

| Director name | | |
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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

| Trustee name | Dates acted if not for whole year | |
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## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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| Description of the assets held in this capacity | |
| Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects | |
| Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets | |

**Additional information (optional)**

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
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**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

**The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.**

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

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| **Signature(s)** |  | |
| **Full name(s)** | John Peter Lawler | |
| **Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)** | Secretary | |
| **Date** | 19/10/2026 | |

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# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees**

Charity Name: HERMITAGE VILLAGE HALL CIO

**On accounts for the year ended**: 31ST DECEMBER 2025

**Charity no (if any)**: 1155399

**Set out on pages**: (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's 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 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

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:** [signature] **Date:** 13/10/2025

**Name:** JONATHAN SHATFORD

**Address:**

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**HERMITAGE VILLAGE HALL**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

| | 2025 | | 2024 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| **CURRENT ASSETS** | | | | |
| Prepayments | 1,743 | | 1,624 | |
| Amounts owed from hirers | 41 | | 403 | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 47,366 | | 56,442 | |
| | 49,150 | | 58,469 | |
| **CURRENT LIABILITIES** | | | | |
| Accounts payable | 59 | | - | |
| Accruals | 754 | | 690 | |
| Deferred income | 5,356 | | 2,887 | |
| Deposits | 400 | | 2,130 | |
| | 6,569 | | 5,707 | |
| **NET CURRENT ASSETS** | | 42,581 | | 52,762 |
| **Represented by:** | | | | |
| Restricted funds | | - | | - |
| Unrestricted funds | | 42,581 | | 52,762 |
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**HERMITAGE VILLAGE HALL**

**PROFIT AND LOSS**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

| | 2025 | | 2024 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| **INCOME** | | | | |
| **Hall hire** | | | | |
| Hire fees - regular | 35,120 | | 33,897 | |
| Hire fees - casual | 15,832 | | 28,408 | |
| **Total hall hire income** | | 50,952 | | 62,305 |
| **Grants, gifts and fundraising** | | | | |
| Gifts and donations | 57 | | 852 | |
| Grants | 1,000 | | 800 | |
| Fund raising events | 506 | | 200 | |
| **Total grants, gifts and fundraising income** | | 1,563 | | 1,852 |
| **Other income** | | | | |
| Bank interest earned | 588 | | 752 | |
| Misc income | - | | 231 | |
| **Total other income** | | 588 | | 983 |
| **TOTAL INCOME** | | 53,103 | | 65,140 |

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| **EXPENSES** | | | | |
| **Hall running expenses** | | | | |
| Alcohol licence | 180 | | - | |
| Audit | 186 | | 174 | |
| Bookings clerk | 13,082 | | 10,860 | |
| Cleaner | 12,641 | | 13,486 | |
| Consumables | 816 | | 1,571 | |
| Electricity | 7,500 | | 6,893 | |
| Garden | 1,050 | | 1,045 | |
| Insurance expense | 1,912 | | 1,865 | |
| Internet,website & IT support | 2,468 | | 1,411 | |
| Maintenance | 4,080 | | 1,386 | |
| Memberships & Subs | 991 | | 1,162 | |
| Misc expense | 319 | | 182 | |
| Repairs & renewals | 12,353 | | 8,726 | |
| Security | 432 | | 2,363 | |
| Telephone & broadband | 301 | | - | |
| Water | 1,096 | | 992 | |
| Waste collection | 2,890 | | 2,548 | |
| **Total hall running expenses** | | 62,297 | | 54,664 |
| **Capital expenditure** | | | | |
| Equipment purchases | 987 | | 1,715 | |
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