Burtle Village Hall - Chair's Report for 2025

REVIEW VIEW OF THE YEAR

2025 – 'Holding the Fort'

The Hall Committee has remained unchanged this year, which has continued to give stability to the hall's management. I would like to express my thanks to all involved.

The Burtle Village Hall Management Committee continued to hold monthly meetings at the hall to plan for the future. Unfortunately, with such a small committee it has not been possible to organise many events.

Bookings The Hall has retained its regular rental groups. The regular weekly users include The Parish Council, Burtle Siver Band, Burtle Babies, a rock group that uses the hall for rehearsals and a Judo club. The Hall continues to host the ever popular and long-standing monthly Saturday Café Burtle and Wednesday Community Coffee Shop. I would like to extend my thanks to those who put so much dedication into running these village institutions and raising money for both the hall and charities.
The Hall has been well used for one-off events in the past year, such as birthdays and weddings..

The **financial situation.** One-off repairs, increases in insurance and electricity costs, a regular cleaning contract, and a decrease in income have resulted in a small loss of 1,142 for the year.

Treasurers Report

See separate report.

Bar Manager's Report

This year, the bar has continued to cater for a wide range of events, including birthday parties, Harvest Home fundraisers, Church events, Burtle Silver Band events, bingo nights and seasonal events – for example the Halloween Party and the Alternative Valentine's Night. As preferences vary by occasion, stock has been tailored accordingly within budget and shelf-life limits. For external bookings, I discuss any specific requirements with organisers and accommodate them where possible. Stock levels are monitored to ensure freshness, and bar takings (cash and card) are submitted to the treasurer after each event. Running the bar is a significant commitment, and without additional volunteer support it is becoming increasingly difficult to sustain. Looking ahead, the bar will also need a successor to ensure its continued operation. I would therefore like to thank all volunteers for their continued help throughout the year.

Maintenance & upkeep of Hall

Regular maintenance of the hall infrastructure and internal facilities was undertaken including.

- Regular monthly maintenance checks on the internal and external areas of the hall
- Regular running of the water system (taps and toilets) to help keep the system fresh.
- Annual servicing of the Burglar Alarm and Fire Alarm system
- Fire extinguishers and fire exit lighting
- General external ground maintenance – hedges, weeds and rubbish collections
- Rodent control within the loft area and external locations
- Monitoring access using alarm fob data
- Reprogramming the heating controls for efficient use.

Achievements

- The clock on the front of hall has been repaired after remaining broken for many years
- The lighting has been upgraded with more cost-efficient LED lights.
- The heating system has been properly serviced.
- The water heater has been properly serviced and new immersion elements fitted.
- A cleaning firm has been engaged to regularly clean the hall.

Hallmark Accreditation

The Hall retains all three award levels in the Hallmark Scheme. This covers the fabric of the building, organisation and community involvement of the hall.

Thanks

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the BVH 2025 Committee, Friends of the Hall and the people of Burtle for their continued support and generosity.

In particular, The Committee would like to thank Maureen, Jenny and Zac for running Café Burtle, Heather and Elaine for running the Community Coffee Shop, and Nigel Morris and the Burtle Silver Band for their fund-raising performances.
The Committee acknowledges the continued support from the Community Council for Somerset (CCS) and ‘Action with Communities in Rural England’ (ACRE).

Finally, The Burtle Village Hall Management Committee would like to thank the residents, families, and friends of Burtle for their continued support and generosity.

2025/6

Whilst the current committee “Burtle’s Few” will struggle on in the coming next year, new members will be needed in the coming year – this will prove problematic. In the meantime, the Village Hall Management Committee will endeavour to provide essential facilities for the village and surrounding area

Simon Parry – Chair - Burtle Village Hall

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
Burtle Village Hall	1164684

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/01/2025		31/12/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grant Income	-	-	-	-	
Invoices/Hall Rental	5,071	-	-	5,071	5,700
Donations/Misc	4,639	-	-	4,639	3,771
Events	5,978	-	-	5,978	9,785
Adjustment	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	15,688	-	-	15,688	19,256
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	15,688	-	-	15,688	19,256
A3 Payments					
Repairs/Maintenance	3,625	-	-	3,625	4,483
Phone/Broadband	610	-	-	610	654
Electricity/Water	2,818	-	-	2,818	3,135
Insurance	2,063	-	-	2,063	2,527
General	1,918	-	-	1,918	1,401
Cleaning	1,779	-	-	1,779	500
Fees	575	-	-	575	473
Stock Purchases	3,442	-	-	3,442	3,966
Adjustment	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	16,830	-	-	16,830	17,139
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,830	-	-	16,830	17,139
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,142	-	-	- 1,142	2,117
A5 Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	25,535	-	-	25,535	-
Cash funds this year end	24,393	-	-	24,393	2,117

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Balance at bank	24,393	-	-
			-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	24,393	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Bar Float	180	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

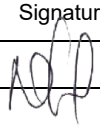
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Village Hall	500,000	-	-
Fixtures & Fittings	20,000	-	-
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		-	-
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		-	-
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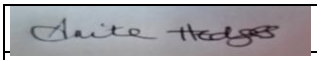
B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Neil Haigh	06/01/2026

Signed by external auditor

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Anita Hedges	06/03/2026