Shabbington Village Community Trust

Annual Report January - December 2025

Overall Purpose of the Shabbington Village Community Trust Charity

To improve the conditions of life of the inhabitants of Shabbington by:

- The provision and maintenance of a village hall for meetings, lectures, classes and other forms of recreation and leisure time activities
- The enhancement of the village recreation ground
- The furthering of any other charitable purposes

Achievements through the year 2025

- Our architect continued working with a project manager from the village with the aim of using and encouraging the community to get involved with the build of the new Hut. The planning application for a revised hut design in the current site was approved early in the year. It was a simpler design which was more cost effective to build.

- The project plan for the new hut included three phases:

    1) Preparation Phase - funding plan, legal groundwork
    2) Demotion and Building Phase
    3) Final fit and completion

    Timeline – we started work in May 2025 and the new building was handed over in November 2025

- The booking site for the new Village Hut was set up. The feedback has been amazing; the village thrilled with their new, modern facility.

- A successful year of fundraising activities raising £16,282 including:

    Progressive supper
    Burns Night
    Willow workshops
    Sourdough workshops
    Coffee Mornings
    Hut Opening Party
    Christmas music night and Raffle

- The Shabbington Nature network had a well-attended series of talks, lectures and workshops during the year.
- Table Tennis Club with coaching was able to start again from mid-November.
- Since the opening of the new Hut, bookings for our yoga and keep fit classes have increased, with more people able to attend in the larger space
- There have also been a number of children's parties in the Hut.

Raising Funds through Grant Giving Trusts and Organisations

We were successful in raising money from several Grant Giving Trusts including: the National Lottery, Garfield Weston, the Parish Council and others.

Impact on the Community

Through communication via WhatsApp, Facebook, Bernwood News (Parish Magazine) and the village newsletter, there was a high level of awareness of the project. Neighbours to the build were visited frequently to insure the smooth running of the build.

The number of people using the new Hut has increased and the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. We have fulfilled the brief to deliver a new Village Hut that we can all be proud of.

Focus for 2026

The focus of the charity will be to promote the new Hut to increase footfall. To explore the ideas put forward by villagers at focus groups for different clubs and events. To continue to get feedback from our users to insure the space is being used efficiently, and customers are getting the best experience possible.

Shabbington Village Community Trust year to 31st December 2025

Electricity	£514
Water	£446
Insurance	£1,541
Maintenance & IT	£0
Cleaning	£0
Event Expenditure	£1,086
Fire Management	£0
New Building Planning	£3,885
New Building Expenses	£157,594
EXPENDITURE	**£165,066**
Bookings	£609
Event Income	£3,625
Donations	£13,618
Grants	£90,799
Interest	£0
INCOME	**£108,651**
ACRE Loan	**£19,360**
NET (Surplus / Deficit)	**-£37,055**
Bank Opening Bal 01/01/25	£55,501
Bank Closing Bal 31/12/25	£18,445
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CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees	Shabbington Village Community Trust		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1196759
Set out on pages	1		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/25.

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").

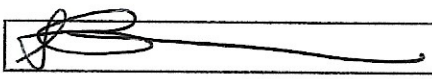
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent 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:		**Date:**	08/09/2026
Name:	Julie Quartermain		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales		
Address:	29 Marsh Road Shabbington		

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None

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