South Hill Parish Hall CIO

Annual Report

01 May 2025 to 30 April 2026

Charity number: 1205009
Registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales

Chair's Report for South Hill Parish Hall CIO May 2025 – May 2026

It is pleasing to report once again that the hall continues to be run successfully and delivers its charitable objective of providing a space for recreational and educational activities for the benefit of local residents.

At the beginning of last year the Hall Diamond Jubilee event was held on Saturday 24th May, in conjunction with the SHARE 10th Anniversary. This event was well supported with multiple fun activities in the day and live bands in the evening. We were lucky the rain held off during the day, though it did rather dampen the evening entertainment.

After being granted planning permission in March 2025 for a potential extension, the hall undertook a further survey of users and potential users in order to better understand the demand for new facilities before proceeding. The results indicated that there is demand for more activities and events to be held in the hall, however there are few volunteers to organise any new groups, and so no firm evidence that additional space would be used. Consequently this project remains on hold.

The Hall has now completed its first year as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Although this has made little practical difference to how we operate, it did mean we have been able to address some legal anomalies with the property title, which have now been completed by our solicitor.

The hall is a great asset for the community, as a result of the support and time given by our trustees and other volunteers, so many thanks to all of them. Special thanks to Hilary Hogg, our ex-secretary, who left in September, and to all those who have helped with administration whilst that role remains vacant. Offers of any additional support to share the workload are always appreciated to help ensure the hall continues to be available for current and future residents.

Chris Beckett
19th May 2026

South Hill Parish Hall Trustees 2025-2026

		Appointing body
Chris Beckett	May 2025 – May 2026	South Hill Parochial Church Council
Graham Hartley	May 2025 – May 2026	Elected by residents
Paula Hartley	May 2025 – May 2026	The South Hill Connection
Dennis Hicks	May 2025 – May 2026	South Hill Parish Council
Hilary Hogg	May 2025 – Sept 2025	Elected by residents
Kim Howat	May 2025 – May 2026	South Hill Horticultural Show
Alison Humphreys	May 2025 – May 2026	South Hill Piecemakers
Paul Ingerson	Sept 2025 – May 2026	Cheesewring Cricket Club
Susan Nash	May 2025 – May 2026	Elected by residents
David Skelton	June 2025 – May 2026	SHARE
Richard Squires	May 2025 – May 2026	Elected by residents
Vacancy	May 2025 – May 2026	South Hill Women's Institute
Vacancy	May 2025 – May 2026	Elected by residents
Vacancy	Sept 2025 – May 2026	Elected by residents
Volunteer		
Dale Trevail	May 2025 – May 2026	TT Taekwondo

Treasurer’s Report for FY 25/26

Financial Overview and Key Activities

The financial year 25/26 commenced with a total opening balance across all accounts of £28,615.46 and concluded with a closing balance of £29,944.03. This demonstrates a positive movement in our finances, with an overall position £1,328.57 ahead of last year.

Fundraising efforts have been particularly fruitful, with the Summer Fete generating £1,541.40, which included a generous donation of £500 from SHIC. Additionally, the Blood On The Red Carpet event contributed £293.66 to our funds. Lettings income has seen a notable increase, rising by just over £1,000 compared to the previous year.

Examining account specifics, the small account has decreased by around £1,000 from last year, while the big account has improved, up by approximately £550. The United Trust account accrued interest totalling £701.87, further strengthening our financial standing.

Ofgem payments have declined; however, this is due to ongoing issues with reading processing. Thanks to David Skelton’s continued efforts, we anticipate these matters will be resolved and payments will align in the new financial year.

Cash on hand has risen significantly, largely attributable to takings from the Summer Fete and the AmDram event, alongside my lack of availability to deposit funds directly at Lloyds bank.

In summary, the year has seen a positive variance, reflecting prudent financial management, successful fundraising activities, and improvements in moving to monthly invoicing. The accounts are in a healthy position as we move forward into the next financial year.

SOUTH HILL HALL ACCOUNTS FY25/26

Opening Balances		
	Small Acc:	£ 1,671.54
	Big Acc:	£ 5,765.49
	Savings Acc:	£ 21,154.43
	Cash On Hand	£ 24.00
	Opening Total	£ 28,615.46

Income

Lettings	£	7,844.00
Ofgem Payments	£	1,045.83
Fit Payment	£	-
Interest	£	701.87
Hall Events	£	1,835.06
Grant	£	-
Other In	£	148.48
	£	**11,575.24**

Outgoings

Licences	£	-
Cleaning	£	2,023.35
Utilities	£	3,704.91
Cost Of Hall Events	£	894.70
Expenses	£	2,384.15
Maintenance	£	-
Insurance	£	1,239.56
Other Out	£	-
	£	**10,246.67**

Variance On Year £ 1,328.57

Closing Balances 30th April 2026		
	Small Acc:	£ 661.11
	Big Acc:	£ 6,311.32
	Savings Acc:	£ 21,856.30
	Cash On Hand	£ 1,115.30
	Closing Total	**£ 29,944.03**

I have examined all the submitted receipts and invoices and bank statements to me and I can confirm the above statement of income, expenditure and balances are correct at 30th April 2026



Martin Richards – Auditor

(Finance Manager at Babcock International)