

YARNTON VILLAGE HALL

Charity Registration No. 276932

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST MARCH 2026

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Annual Report for the year to 31st March 2026

Yarnton Village Hall, The Paddocks, Yarnton, Oxfordshire is registered with the Charity Commission (Registration No. 276932) and constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 16th October 1978. The original Trust Deed document is kept in the Parish Councils fireproof cabinet for safe keeping. Yarnton Parish Council is the Holding / Custodian Trustee of the Charity.

The Managing Trustees (ie the Village Hall Management Committee) are responsible and liable for the running of the charity and all decision making. The Holding / Custodian Trustee has no part in this - their only role is to hold on to the title documents for the Charity and provide them if requested.

The Village Hall Trust uses the following services on a regular basis:

Bankers:	Santander Commercial Bank, Bridle Road, Bootle, Merseyside, L30 4GB
Insurers:	Ansvar Insurance, Ansvar House, St. Leonards Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 3UR.
Investments (COIF):	CCLA, One Angel Lane, London, EC4R 3AB
Independent Examiner:	Mrs. Lynne Whitley, 5 Merton Way, Yarnton, Oxon.

The Charity is administered by a Management Committee comprising:

Chair:	Peter Newin
Vice Chair:	David Thompson
Treasurer:	Jackie Carpenter
Minutes Secretary	Lynne Newin
Other members:	Michael Groves, Robin Hearn, Judy Blake, Janet Wood and Rosa Cadd

Trustee committee members are appointed each year at the Annual General Meeting and officers elected by the committee at the first meeting thereafter. The Trust deed allows for four elected members and up to sixteen representative members from village organizations together with a maximum of three co-opted members.

After the last AGM Frances Peck told us that due to pressing commitments she would have to step down from the committee. We wish her all the very best for the future and thank her for her considerable contribution over the past 18 years. We would like to welcome our two new Trustees, Janet Wood and Rosa Cadd, who joined after the last AGM.

The object of the Charity is to maintain the Village Hall for the communal benefit of the inhabitants of Yarnton and its surrounds. The Management Committee aims to provide first-class hall facilities at an affordable cost to organizations serving the community as well as to individuals within the community. The Charity utilizes the services of a self-employed part-time caretaker (who is responsible for general maintenance and cleaning of the hall) and a self-employed booking secretary.

The Trustees are empowered to invest any surplus funds as they see fit, for the benefit of the Charity.

Activity report

We received, with thanks, a grant from the Parish Council of £1,139.95 being a 50% matching grant towards the refurbishment of the toilet facilities.

We made our final plans for a new insulating roof covering and the subsequent installation of solar panels with battery storage. We then applied for planning permission from Cherwell District Council for this work and this was granted on 9th January 2026.

The total cost of this work will be £127,400.00 (£101,780.00 to overlay roof and insulate and £25,620 for PV panels, inverter and battery storage) and applications have been made to various organisations for help towards this cost.

We were very pleased to receive a grant of £1,000.00 towards the roof work from The Doris Field Charitable Trust.

The Hall Management Committee would like to thank our part-time caretaker, Mr. Alan Bunning, for keeping the hall clean and tidy and also many thanks go to our (extremely busy) booking secretary, Mrs. Lynne Newin, for all her hard work.

All cash reserves are instantly accessible in the event that they are required at short notice although it remains the intention of the Trustees to ensure that sufficient funds are secured in order to be able to undertake any further major work that will be required to the hall in the future.

The Management Committee runs the Village Hall for the benefit of all in the local community.

The Hall Charity is affiliated to Community First Oxfordshire and benefits from free advice on matters affecting Village Halls.

Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2026

1. Receipts & Payments Account - General Purposes Fund

Income:	**£**	**£**	**2024/25**
Grants and Donations:			
Yarnton Parish Council	1,139.95		0.00
Cherwell District Council	0.00		0.00
Doris Field Charitable Trust	1,000.00		0.00
Sundry Donations	20.00		0.00
		2,159.95	
Trading activities:			
Hall income	36,231.00		36,839.25
Misc income	0.00		0.00
		36,231.00	
Investment Income:			
COIF Deposit Fund Interest		3,162.00	2,582.85
Change in returnable deposits held:		350.00	-180.00
Total Receipts:		**41,902.95**	39,242.10
Direct Charitable Expenditure:			
Cleaning costs	4,320.84		4,289.49
Repairs and redecoration	6,457.39		7,598.71
Water rates (metered)	791.00		637.29
Heating and lighting	4,677.04		3,701.17
Licences & annual charges	1,146.94		923.26
Hall Insurance	1,487.61		1,444.69
		18,880.82	
Other expenditure:			
CFO subscription	50.00		50.00
Administrative expenses	2,114.68		1,852.04
Planning application	2,706.60		0.00
Broadband	576.00		576.00
Sundry expenses	295.00		1,570.00
		5,742.28	
Total Payments		**24,623.10**	22,642.65
Net receipts for the year:		17,279.85	16,599.45
Cash and bank balances as at 1st April 2025		98,720.66	82,121.21
Cash and bank balances as at 31st March 2026		**116,000.51**	98,720.66

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2. Receipts & Payments Account - COIF Fund	£	2024/25
Withdrawals during year	0.00	0.00
Deposits during year:	0.00	25,000.00
Interest received:	3,162.00	2,582.85
Balance as at 1st April 2025	79,719.58	52,136.73
Balance as at 31st March 2026:	**82,881.58**	79,719.58

3. Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st March 2026

Monetary Assets:

Bank & Cash balances:		
Current account	33,062.42	18,771.80
Cash in Hand	56.51	229.28
Total for General Purposes Fund:	**33,118.93**	**19,001.08**
Bank deposit (COIF Deposit Fund)	82,881.58	79,719.58
Total for Building Fund:	**82,881.58**	**79,719.58**
Liabilities:		
Returnable deposits held:	1,275.00	925.00
Total Monetary Assets:	**114,725.51**	97,795.66

Non-Monetary Assets:

Permanent Endowment:

Land and buildings used by the Charity: The Village Hall

The land and buildings are owned by the Charity. The Freehold Title is held on behalf of the Village Hall Charity by the Custodian Trustee. The nomination of a Custodian Trustee means that the Charity's Managing Trustees (ie the Village Hall Management Committee members) can change over time without having to worry about the considerable costs involved in changing the names on the title deeds every time a Trustee leaves or joins the committee.

Other Assets (non-endowed) - held for functional use by the charity:

Furniture and Equipment in hall as per inventory (costs unknown):

Tables, chairs, kitchen equipment etc.

Peter Newin, Chairman
Year end 31st March 2026

L Whitley (Independent Examiner)
Year end 31st March 2026

Current account reconciliation as at 31/03/26

Balance per statement at 31/03/26:	£ 33,062.42
Uncleared Cheques	£ 0.00
Balance at 31/03/26 per Ledger:	£ 33,062.42

COIF Charities Deposit account reconciliation as at 31/03/26

Balance per statement at 31/03/26:	£ 82,881.58
No outstanding transactions	£ 0.00
Balance at 31/03/26 per Ledger:	£ 82,881.58

Treasurers statement re: cash in hand

I certify and confirm that the amount of "cash in hand" held by me on behalf of the Yarnton Village Hall Committee, as at 31st March 2026, is £56.51.

Signed: M Carpenter (Treasurer)

Independent Examiner's Report

Yarnton Village Hall Accounts

Year ended 31st March 2026

I have examined the books, bank statements and vouchers and am satisfied they are correct and that the accounts presented are in accordance therewith.



Lynne Whitley

Year end 31st March 2026

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Details of expenditure:

Maintenance, repairs & redecoration:-

RM Electricals (PAT & Data Cable - inv 21552)	£ 408.00
S R Gardens (cut grass etc - inv 28.04.25)	£ 160.00
S R Gardens (cut grass, repair drains - inv 26.06.25)	£ 630.00
Mark Humphris (Refrige & Air Con Ltd) inv 6802	£ 150.00
P M Newin - 2 boxes ceiling tiles (inv SI-113961)	£ 169.20
RM Electricals - inv 21782 (aircon and MH light)	£ 594.00
L Newin - Spare padlock for car park gate	£ 23.99
RAH Carpentry (inv 945) supply & fit door in back room	£ 308.00
RM Electricals (inv 21839) Supply & install wireless receiver for heating	£ 132.00
Alan Whitley - Painting back room and kitchen ceiling	£ 245.00
L Newin - Spare padlock for car park gate	£ 22.99
S R Gardens (replace ceiling tiles, cut grass - inv 19.09.25)	£ 360.00
CP Mechanical Ltd) INV-0118 - replacement pump	£ 170.40
L Newin - Light bulbs and Kettles	£ 78.52
RAH Carpentry (inv 964) ladies refurbishment	£ 625.00
L Newin – Batteries	£ 8.48
RAH Carpentry (inv 966) gents refurbishment	£ 625.00
CP Mechanical Ltd) INV-0133 - ladies & gents refurbishments	£ 1,029.90
L Newin - 2 sets keys cut	£ 40.00
S R Gardens (clear leaves etc - inv 27.11.25)	£ 60.00
CP Mechanical Ltd) INV-0177 - Hot water feed	£ 402.00
RM Electricals - inv 22244 (MH light) *new type with 5-year guarantee*	£ 192.00
L Newin (rechargeable batteries for mics)	£ 9.63
L Newin (towel rail for small kitchen)	£ 8.99
L Newin (Hasp for mic cupboard)	£ 4.29
Total	£ 6,457.39

Licences & annual charges:-

Abbot Fire Group (annual extinguisher service - inv 79418)	£ 100.74
PPL/PRS Ltd - inv SIN3049429 (06/02/25 - 05/02/26) *last financial year*	£ 333.71
Tom Cross Heating & Renewables Ltd (Gas Safety Cert 24.07.25) inv 170	£ 216.00
ico licence (02.11.25 to 01.11.26) Ref ZB257198	£ 47.00
Alder Security inv 10122 Annual CCTV & Fire Alarm Maintenance	£ 120.00
Brown Bin - CDC Subscription number - 51885186	£ 59.00
PPL/PRS Ltd - inv SIN3294271 (06/02/26 to 05/02/27)	£ 270.49
Total	£ 1,146.94

Sundry (Misc) Expenses:-

Gift for Independent Examiner	£ 45.00
Leaving gift for Frances Peck (Trustee since 01.08.2007)	£ 50.00
L Newin - Gift Card for Treasurer	£ 100.00
Donation to Village News	£ 100.00
Total	£ 295.00