

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 October 2024
for
Village Hall (Flitton)
Trading as Flitton & Greenfield Village Hall**

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's objectives are to maintain and operate a village hall, as a safe meeting place for villagers and local organisations/groups where activities take place for physical, recreational and social development.

Public benefit

The trustees have regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The trustees always ensure the activities of the charity are undertaken in line with our charitable objectives and aims.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

It's been a successful year following a troubled start with the organisation. We have made a lot of progress which we can build on in the coming year.

The committee has been restructured following the loss of Simon and Peter but has been added to by several new members who are most welcome.

The events organised in the hall have provided a strong revenue.

In particular opening the bar after the potato race, the Eat Feast event, the OAP Christmas lunch and the New Year party have all contributed to our community appreciation. Such events help to make our villages what they are. Thanks to Carl for carrying the organisation of these events.

Our regular hirers have continued to use the hall, and this together with the occasional hirers has been very well coordinated by Margaret's booking system.

We have withstood the challenges brought about by the flooding, and the insurance company came to the rescue, allowing us to replace the floor and improve the surface drainage at the rear of the building. In addition, we have improved the access arrangements to the sound system, replaced many of the tables and chairs. The air conditioning system is due to be renewed any time soon. The next expenditure will be the roof. Fortunately, we were in a strong financial position to enable all of this to happen.

All things considered we are in good shape going into another year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The general fund increased during the year by £13,794 which was transferred to general reserves.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the charity to hold sufficient funds in reserve to cover the general running costs of the charity for period of 6 months without further incoming resources.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document; a deed of trust dated 31st January 1951 and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

300032

Principal address

The Village Hall
78 Greenfield Road
Flitton
Bedford
MK45 5DR

Trustees

R A Rishton
M L Lowe
W P Miles (appointed 2.1.2024)
P M Mason (appointed 2.1.2024)
J H Stevenson (appointed 2.1.2024)
C Lowe (appointed 30.4.2024)

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on ^{3 July}~~31 May~~ 2025 and signed on its behalf by:


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R A Rishton - Chairman

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Bedford U3A

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (the Trust) for the year ended 31 October 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.



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Date: 4 July 2025

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Receipts and Payments
for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

	Notes	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Major Replacement Fund (Unrestricted) £	31.10.24 Total funds £	31.10.23 Total funds £
RECEIPTS					
Donations and fundraising					
Amazon Smile Donations		-	-	-	37
Christmas Meal for Seniors		500	-	500	500
Parish Council donation		300	-	300	-
Santa's Sleigh		-	-	-	489
Soul Night		1,040	-	1,040	330
New Year's Eve		375	-	375	20
Coronation Event		-	-	-	63
Other donation		16	-	16	-
Hall lettings					
Regular		15,324	-	15,324	14,630
Occasional Users		11,810	-	11,810	12,278
Other income					
Bar sales		37,586	-	37,586	37,612
Interest received		1,038	-	1,038	369
Other income		-	-	-	105
Total receipts		67,989	-	67,989	66,433
PAYMENTS					
Bar costs					
Purchases		22,071	-	22,071	21,186
Wages		7,811	-	7,811	5,431
Bar Maintenance		773	-	773	-
Community event costs					
Soul night		750	-	750	173
I-Tea		630	-	630	510
Christmas meal for Seniors		1,617	-	1,617	1,685
Coronation event		250	-	250	1,000
New Year's Eve Party		475	-	475	428
Other costs					
Insurance		2,723	-	2,723	2,711
Light, heat and water		5,397	-	5,397	4,928
Rates		28	-	28	-
Telephone		501	-	501	720
Cleaning		4,993	-	4,993	4,562
Refuse collection		1,620	-	1,620	1,226
Postage and stationery		510	-	510	376
Card charges		-	-	-	488
Repairs and maintenance		2,995	-	2,995	8,004
Licencing and training		749	-	749	296
Sundries		301	-	301	-
Total payments		54,147	-	54,147	53,724
NET SURPLUS		13,794	-	13,794	12,709

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	General	Major	31.10.24	31.10.23
	Fund	Replacement	Total	Total
	(Unrestricted)	Fund	funds	funds
	£	(Unrestricted)	£	£
	£	£	£	£
Reserves brought forward (as shown in last accounts)	31,448	41,923	73,371	63,669
Adjustment to cash basis	1,689	-	1,689	(1,318)
Cash funds last year end	33,137	41,923	75,060	62,351
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	13,794	-	13,794	12,709
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	46,931	41,923	88,854	75,060

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Statement of Assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Major Replacement Fund (Unrestricted) £	31.10.24 Total funds £	31.10.23 Total funds £
CASH FUNDS				
Barclays Community Account	4,449	-	4,449	2,934
Barclays Hall Fund	31,659	41,923	73,582	65,401
Barclays Bar Account	9,249	-	9,249	5,725
Cash in hand (including floats)	<u>1,574</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,574</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>46,931</u>	<u>41,923</u>	<u>88,854</u>	<u>75,060</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on ^{3 July} 31 June 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



R A Rishton - Trustee