HOLMER GREEN VILLAGE CENTRE
Registered Charity No 300281

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st December 2025

The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2025. The financial statements comply with the charity's Constitution. The Holmer Green Village Centre (HGVC) is a charity registered with the Charity Commission under registration number 300281.

Objects

The object of the HGVC is contained in the Trust Deed which established it in 1954:

- *The property of the Centre shall be held for charitable purposes only.*

- *In particular the said property shall be held on trust to provide, establish and maintain a Community Centre for the area of Holmer Green in the promotion and conduct of which the local authorities hereinafter mentioned shall be associated with such residents and in such voluntary organisations operating in such areas as wish to do so in common effort to further spiritual, mental, social and physical activities of all members of the community in the said area and to carry out any alteration or addition to the existing buildings for the proper running of the Centre.*

Activities

The HGVC consists of two Halls, the Main Hall and the Chadwick Hall and ancillary facilities such as a car park and a garden. These are available to hire by local voluntary organisations, by individuals and by commercial undertakings. The basis of charging is a series of hourly rates which differ depending on whether the hirer is a voluntary or commercial undertaking and on whether they are regular bookings or one-off or occasional events.

Achievements and Performance

2025 was a year of steady , regular use of the HGVC by a variety of users. Many of these were organisations such as the Women's Institute, the NHS Retirement Fellowship, Girlguiding and the Holmer Green Players. The Holmer Green Pre-School also uses the premises every morning and some afternoons during school term times. In addition to these, a number of exercise and dance classes use the Centre, as well as two dog training businesses.

No major maintenance projects were undertaken during the year, although an inspection by a fire consultant was commissioned as well as a review of the electrical systems. These identified a number of issues to address and these are being worked though as funds and hall availability permit. There has been a gradual increase in the 'Major Projects Fund' which, among other things, will eventually be used to fund the replacement of the wooden floor in the Main Hall.

Financial Review

The current financial position of HGVC is presented in the attached accounts. Overall, the HGVC made a surplus in 2025. Forward forecasts, which have been made conservatively in view of the ongoing high costs of energy and other inputs, show a healthy financial position for 2026 and 2027.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees consider that a reserve of about 6-12 months' operating expenses is sufficient to deal with unforeseen problems and/or to ensure an orderly dissolution of the HGVC if that were to prove necessary. The Trustees believe that the present reserves are adequate and not excessive. It should be noted that included in the reserves is an amount, now known as the Major Projects Fund totalling £9,540 at the end of 2025, which is being built up with a view to the eventual replacement of the wooden floor in the Main Hall.

Plans for the Future

The HGVC plans to continue normal operations in 20265. Expenditure is planned to rectify issues revealed by the fire and electrical inspections previously described.

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Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for our charity is a Trust Deed, executed on 8th September 1954. This vests the overall direction of the organisation in an 'Executive Committee' consisting of representatives of organisations which use the Centre, plus from various local authorities and a number of 'Independent Representatives', people not affiliated with particular organisations. The Executive Committee meets three times per year, twice at what are termed 'Representatives' Meeting' and the third of which is the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

In 2021, the 'Executive Committee' approved a revised Constitution, more suited to modern-day conditions, to replace the 1954 Trust Deed. After approval by the Trustees, the provisions of this revised document were first notified to the Charity Commission in February 2022. The Commission initially rejected this new Constitution, principally because it sought to adjust the objectives and introduce a dissolution clause. More recently, the Commission has advised us that the new document must take the form of a revised Trust Deed. Such a deed was drafted and approved at an Extraordinary General Meeting on 9th July 2024 and will be submitted to the Charity Commission in due course.

Up to five Trustees are elected to supervise the management of the HGVC. The current Trustees are:

- Peter Healy
- Eric Magson
- Helen Terry
- James Cadle

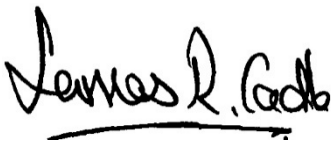
Day-to-day management of the HGVC is undertaken by its Officers. These are elected/re-elected at the Annual General Meeting and, from 4th March 2025, they were:

Chairman	James Cadle
Secretary	Terry Owen
Treasurer	Elaine Birchley
Bookings Secretary	Paul Fleming

The Trust deed requires that the accounts of the HGVC be reviewed independently and for 2025 the independent Examiner was Richard Chantler, a retired charted accountant who has no other connection with the HGVC. Mr Chantler has written a report on the Centre's finances which is appended to this Report.

Approvals

The report was approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Name:	James Cadle
Position:	Chairman
Signed:	
Date:	2nd March 2026

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HOLMER GREEN VILLAGE CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET as at 31 December 2025

	2025	2024
FIXED ASSETS		
	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00
CURRENT ASSETS less LIABILITIES		
Debtors for lettings	4061.99	2968.25
Prepaid Insurance	0.00	0.00
Coventry Building Society	2764.17	2687.40
COIF Deposit Fund	11457.49	9817.70
Bank Current Account	11243.43	9013.95
PayPal Account	1480.25	1810.09
	31007.33	26297.39
Less Sundry Creditors	1458.43	1596.99
	29548.90	24700.40
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Represented by:		
CONTINGENCY FUND	5000.00	5000.00
RESERVE FUND		
Balance brought forward	19700.40	16195.12
Surplus (Deficit) for the year	4848.50	3505.28
	24548.90	19700.40
	29548.90	24700.40

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of (Charity Name) HOLMER GREEN VILLAGE CENTRE

On accounts for the year ended 31st DEC 2025 **Charity no (if any)**

Set out on pages 1 – 2 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* *Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: [signature] **Date:** 11/02/26

Name: RICHARD CHANTLER

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Section B	Disclosure
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.	