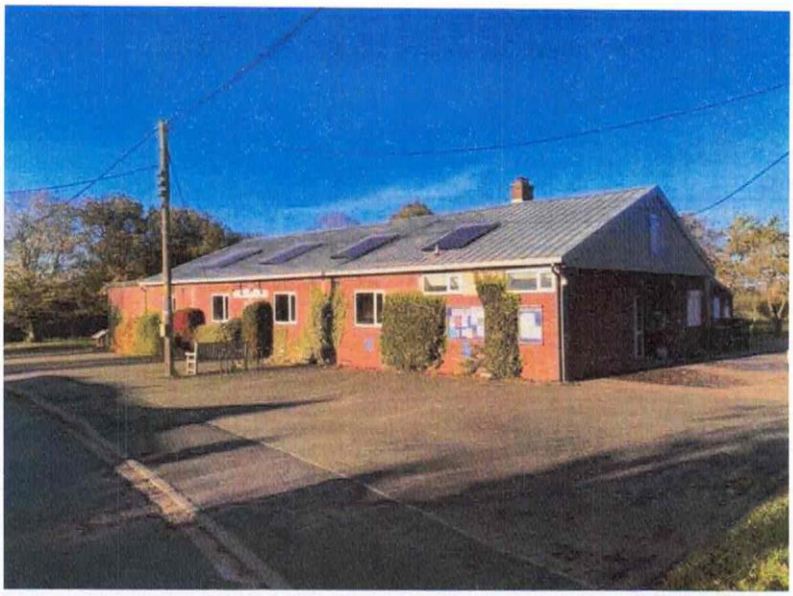
Little Gransden Village Hall

7-9 Primrose Hill,

Little Gransden,

SG19 3DP

Charity number: 300404



Trustees Annual Report

For the Period Ending 31 December 2025

Little Gransden Village Hall, Registered Charity No 300404
Trustees Annual Report – Period Ended 31 December 2025

The Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for Little Gransden Village Hall are included in this report covering the period from 1 October 2024 to 31 December 2025.

Section A - Reference and administration details

Charity name: Village Hall, Little Gransden

Registered charity number: 300404

Charity's principal address: Primrose Hill, Little Gransden, SG19 3DP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity are:

1	Sue Chase, Chair
2	Lynne Taylor, Treasurer
3	Rachel Fogg, Bookings Officer
4	Brian Fox, Buildings Manager
5	Emma Ward
6	Andy Griffiths

Type of Advisor	Name	Address
Bank	Barclays Bank	St Neots

Section B - Structure, governance and management

Below are details of the structure, governance and management of the Group.

Type of Governing Document	The Village Hall is governed by the Declaration of Trust dated 12 January 1955 and amended on 19 July 2018.
How the Charity is constituted	The Trust is managed by a committee of Trustees appointed specifically for the task.
Trustee Selection Methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the dictates of the Declaration of Trust 1955.
Additional Governance Information	The Hall is maintained by a Management Committee, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees'. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate. The Committee consists of 6 Trustees. 3 of these Trustees have been nominated by the user groups named on the Declaration

	of Trust as representative trustees and the remaining 3 have been elected by the Committee. This Management Committee exists to maintain the Village Hall and ensure that it carries out the aims laid out in the Declaration of Trust: • Providing a safe and secure venue for the inhabitants of the Parish of Little Gransden and immediate vicinity to engage in recreational activities; • The maintenance of Trust property; • The raising of funds and the administration of Trust Finance; • The insurance of persons, property and equipment.

Section C - Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the Committee are laid down in the 1955 Declaration of Trust. "... for the purposes of physical and mental training and recreation and social moral and intellectual lectures classes recreations and entertainments ..." The Committee ensures that the Hall is well maintained and kept in a suitable condition for regular use by local residents for a wide variety of activities. It also monitors the finances of the Hall to ensure continued financial viability.

This year the date for the preparation of the year end accounts has been moved to the 31st December to align better with the date of the AGM in March.

Section D - Achievements and performance

The Hall continues to be self-financing for general running costs and a successful 3rd year of the Farmers Market gave a much needed boost to available funds.

The Hall continues to be a member of Cambridgeshire ACRE and take part in the Hallmark accreditation scheme. Both Hallmark I and II have been successfully completed.

Following the launch of the website the Hall's Google presence has been corrected and updated and all indications are that this is attracting new hires.

Another Big Spring Clean was held in 2025 and the internal storage room and the container were both given a thorough sort out.

Plans are in place to continue the improvement and modernisation of the Hall's facilities.

Section E - Financial Review

Activity Levels have been excellent during the period ending 31 Dec 25 with our main income streams of Hall Hire, Farmers Market and 100 Club making significant contributions to our overall financial performance. Total income was £37.9k providing an operating surplus of £1.3k. The lower-than-expected surplus was due to approximately £5k of prior year billing being issued by SSE following a longstanding dispute. However, we have challenged this historic late billing and look forward to a positive outcome.

Income from Hire of the Hall and Farmers Market increased significantly and was £19.2k and £14.3k respectively. Both regular and new customer bookings have increased which is very encouraging. The number of Traders for the Farmers Market was regularly oversubscribed meaning we could not accommodate all Traders who wished to attend all the Farmers Markets. Throughout the season the number of traders is over 40 per market and peak attendance was over nine hundred customers.

The Hall is a Registered Charity and Donations from our community are always welcome. Thanks go to all the people who donated directly or via the 100 Club, their actions are greatly appreciated.

Behind the scenes are an army of volunteers who give their time and expertise to support and energy to help manage all our activities. Thank you to all our volunteers who are vital to our success.

Looking to the future, our Balance sheet is strong and our reserves are excellent. The trustees are continually looking for additional Grant income to further develop the hall facilities. Improving our facilities will help to retain our existing customers together with attracting new customers and income generating activities.

Lynne Taylor **31 December 2025**

Section F - Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above. Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature(s) _____

Full name(s) Lynne Taylor

Date: 30 April 2026

Position: Treasurer

Signature(s) _____

Full name(s) Sue Chase

Date: 30 April 2026

Position: Chair

Receipts and Payments Account

Little Gransden Village Hall

Charity no:300404

Accounts for the period ended 31 December 2025

		2024-25	2023-24
Receipts			
Aikido		602.00	255.00
Badminton		208.00	
Bowls		1,920.00	1,500.00
Brownies		1,023.50	685.50
Buzzi Bodies		1,155.00	900.00
Evergreens		455.00	262.50
NAAFI cafe		517.30	629.60
Parish Council		227.00	270.00
Farmers Market		330.00	1,100.00
Pilates		1,826.00	840.00
Revellers			907.50
Rainbows		561.00	
Yoga		390.00	570.00
Tots Football		208.00	
Occasional regulars		2,229.00	1,681.00
		11,651.80	9,601.10
Individual hall hire		7,534.50	3,655.50
	Total Hire Income	**19,186.30**	**13,256.60**
Solar		919.79	-
Bank Interest		510.17	438.48
		20,616.26	**13,695.08**
100 Club membership		700.00	460.00
Farmers Market Income		14,250.65	11,245.39
Insurance Claim		2,050.00	
Donations		336.61	1,503.15
	Total Receipts	**37,953.52**	**26,903.62**
Payments			
Electricity		10,241.60	3,152.61
Water & Sewage		620.00	370.00
Maintenance		2,823.64	1,352.80
Refuse collection		1,195.50	575.16
Cleaning		6,224.64	4,187.70
Insurance		1,156.78	1,045.71
Loan Interest		1.53	13.76
Premises Licence, PRS & PPI tariff		975.30	835.37
Internet		0.00	143.54
Event costs		2,089.82	54.95
		25,328.81	**11,731.60**
100 Club prizes		535.00	410.00
Farmers Market expenses		6,370.33	5,578.37

Purchase of equipment		3,778.46	1,877.28
Loan Repayment		614.35	1,218.00
	Total Payments	**36,626.95**	**20,815.25**
Receipts less Payments		**1,326.57**	**6,088.37**

		2024-25	**2023-24**
Receipts less Payments		1,326.57	6,088.37
Add Funds at 1.10.24			
Current Account	7,198.28		
Deposit Account	20,881.01		
Contingency Fund	9,218.80		
100 Club & FM	3,832.15	41,130.24	35,041.87
Gives Funds at 31.12.25			
Current Account	4,189.58		
Deposit Account	21,234.92		
Contingency Fund	9,375.06		
100 Club & FM	5,539.55		
Debtors	2,117.70		
		42,456.81	**41,130.24**

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on the 30 April 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature	Print Name
	Sue Chase, Chair
	Lynne Taylor, Treasurer

Chair's Report

Another busy year for the Hall with some new and interesting events taking place.

We have had only a small committee for the bulk of this period which has meant that longer term projects have taken a back seat. However, we have still been able to improve advertising and our web presence and set some priorities for future implementation.

We are still keen to update and upgrade our audio visual systems to enable us to host a wider range of events and performances and to decorate the interior of the Hall to give it a more modern and inviting appearance.

Recruiting new Trustees is also high on our to do list this coming year, particularly someone who enjoys event management and can help us put the many ideas that we have into practice.

The Farmer's Market saw its third season and continues to go from strength to strength thanks to its dedicated team of organisers. We continue to welcome new users and are always on the lookout for new ideas.

My thanks, as always, go to my fellow Trustees for their patience under pressure; their flexibility over meetings; their willingness to discuss issues calmly; their common sense and practicality; and their continual support.

Sue Chase **31 December 2025**

Booking Officer's Report

Bookings have continued to grow this year and we have had a wide variety of occasional users bringing new events to the Hall.

We have had regular children's parties and the main hall has proved to be ideal for bouncy castles and race tracks. A theatre group used the hall for the first time this year and have already committed to coming back in 2026. Christmas was celebrated with both the annual Seniors Lunch and a private family lunch and the hall saw the new year in with the regular booking from the caravanning dance group.

There has been a model railway day, dog shows, a barn dance and a quiz, a gold valuation day, various meetings and use as a polling station as well as our regular weekly exercise groups, cafes and youth activities.

We know that there are still gaps to be filled but overall, it has been a good positive year.

Rachel Fogg **31 December 2025**

Building Manager's Report

No major problems have arisen with the building this year although the heavy use of the toilets and carpark by the attendees of the Farmer's Markets has added to the number of minor repairs needed.

Regular maintenance continues to be carried out and health & safety checks along with electrical and fire safety checks are part of the annual programme for the year.

Monthly system checks have been carried out and any minor problems sorted.

The building continues to be in good repair.

Brian Fox, Buildings Manager **31 December 2025**

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LITTLE GRANSDEN VILLAGE HALL

I report on the accounts for the period ended 31 December 2025 as per the attached schedules .

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the Examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- follow procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the PCC committee concerning any such matters.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiners Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 103 of the 2011 act, or, to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records have not been met,

Or,

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Helen Fordham
10 Greenfields
Eltisley
PE19 6TN

Date: 3 March 2026

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