Doynton Village Hall Trustees' Report

A Year in Review 2025

Introduction

Doynton Village Hall is at the heart of our village—it's where we come together to share good times, learn new things, and make memories. As the Trustees, we look after the hall, keep things running smoothly, and make sure it stays a welcoming place for everyone. Here's a look at what we've been up to this past year, what we've achieved, what's been tricky, and how our finances are shaping up.

What We Do

Our main aim is simple: to make sure Doynton Village Hall is a safe, friendly, and accessible spot for all sorts of village activities—everything from parties and classes to clubs and celebrations. We keep the building in good shape, and try to offer something for everyone.

This year, the hall's been busy with:

- Village meetings and chatty get-togethers
- Weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, and other special occasions
- Clubs like yoga, gaming.
- Dementia cafe
- Fundraisers, quiz nights, and coffee mornings
- Village Summer Party

How We're Run

A group of volunteers from the village makes up the Board of Trustees. We handle the daily running of the hall, take care of all the paperwork, and plan for the future. We meet regularly to talk things over and make plans. If you want to see any of our meeting notes or financial reports, just ask—we're happy to share.

This Year at the Hall

It's been a year full of activity and new ideas. While we still focus on our main goals, we're always adjusting to what people need.

Events and Activities

Our calendar has never been busier. As things opened up after the pandemic, more people wanted to use the hall—and we worked hard to keep everything safe and welcoming. Some highlights:

- The Summer Party was a great success.

Keeping Things in Good Shape

Looking after the hall is a big part of our job. This year, we've:

- Given the main hall a makeover, with a re-paint

Money Matters

We've kept a close eye on the finances. Thanks to more bookings out income has remained strong.

Where the Money Comes From

Our main income this year was from:

- Renting out the hall for events
- PV panel feed in tariff

What We Spent

Big expenses included:

- Regular cleaning and maintenance
- Bills and insurance
- Paying for cleaners and helpers

We ended the year with a small surplus, which we've set aside for future repairs and projects.

Challenges

Not everything was easy. We're keeping an eye on:

- Rising energy and running costs
- Making sure the hall stays accessible for everyone

We tackle these by reviewing things regularly and staying flexible.

Looking Ahead

Here's what we're planning for next year:

- We are planning to install battery storage in 2026, to reduce bills.
- Improvements to the entrance.
- Increasing storage space

Thanks!

None of this would be possible without our amazing volunteers, friendly neighbours, and everyone who pitches in or donates. Thank you for helping make Doynton Village Hall a place where everyone's welcome.

Wrapping Up

We're proud of what Doynton Village Hall means to our village. With your support and a bit of careful planning, we're confident it'll be a special place for many years to come. We hope you'll join us—whether you want to help out, use the hall, or just come along and enjoy what's on offer!

DOYNTON VILLAGE HALL AGM – TREASURER'S REPORT
February 2026

1. The accounts for Doynton Village Hall cover the period from 1st January 2025 until 31st December 2025.

2. As the annual turnover is less than £250,000, the accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis.

3. The financial position of the hall remains very strong, with closing balances of £49,726 in the bank accounts, and £27,124 held in investments. An overall profit was made of £15,478.

4. The hall continues its ownership of a card-payment machine, which is for shared use with other village charities. The savings account called 'CAF Gold Account 2' is used solely for this purpose, with the card takings being deposited directly into this account, and the equal amount being paid directly to the relevant charity. A small balance is held within the account, along with any interest earned, to prevent the bank from closing the account.

DOYNTON VILLAGE HALL - PROFIT & LOSS

01/01/25 - 31/12/25	
	TOTAL
Bookings (less refunds)	£21,321.20
Donations	£0.00
Feed in Tariff	7649.16
Fundraising events	£0.00
Investment Income	1295.9
Bank interest (from all 3 accounts)	£622.75
Other income	£50.00
Wayleave income	£11.92
	£30,950.93
Advertising	£45.00
Bank fees/charges	£60.00
Cleaning	£4,084.62
Electricity	£1,663.82
Fundraising costs	£0.00
Hall Manager	£3,600.00
Improvements/Maintenance	£956.74
Insurance	£1,188.44
Internet cost	£482.04
Other costs	£2,916.31
Water, Sewer & Council Tax	£475.47
	£15,472.44
Income - expenditure	**£15,478.49**

01/01/24 - 31/12/24	
	TOTAL
Bookings (less refunds)	£18,474.00
Donations	£0.00
Feed in Tariff	£6,260.17
Fundraising events	£0.00
Investment Income	£1,238.82
Bank interest (from all 3 accounts)	£579.21
Other income	£0.00
Wayleave income	£11.92
	£26,564.12
Advertising	£45.00
Bank fees/charges	£60.00
Cleaning	£3,779.97
Electricity	£2,224.58
Fundraising costs	£0.00
Hall Manager	£3,600.00
Improvements/Maintenance	£8,753.95
Insurance	£1,076.63
Internet cost	£316.06
Other costs	£1,627.38
Water, Sewer & Council Tax	£538.68
	£22,022.25
Income - expenditure	**£4,541.87**

DOYNTON VILLAGE HALL – CURRENT ASSETS

Bank Accounts & Investments	Closing balances Dec 31st 2025	Closing balances Dec 31st 2024
CAF Current Account	£6,363.38	£11,490.89
CAF Gold 1 A/C	£43,354.07	£22,748.46
CAF Gold 2 A/C	£8.25	£7.86
TOTAL	**£49,725.70**	**£34,247.21**
COIF Charity Funds	£7,395.00	£7,802.27
M&G Equities Investment Fund for Charities	£19,728.51	£16,814.18
TOTAL	**£27,123.51**	**£24,616.45**

The insured value of the hall (including contents) is £850,894

DOYNTON VILLAGE HALL – BANK RECONCILIATION

CAF Current Account

Opening balance 01/01/2025		**£11,490.89**
Income from P&L	Bookings (less refunds)	£21,321.20
	Donations	£0.00
	Feed in Tariff	7649.16
	Fundraising events	£0.00
	Investment Income	1295.9
	Bank interest	16.75
	Other income	£50.00
	Wayleave income	£11.92
		£30,344.93
Other income	Transfer from CAF Gold Account	**£0.00**
Expenses from P&L	Advertising	£45.00
	Bank fees/charges	£60.00
	Cleaning	£4,084.62
	Electricity	£1,663.82
	Fundraising costs	£0.00
	Hall Manager	£3,600.00
	Improvements/Maintenance	£956.74
	Insurance	£1,188.44
	Internet costs	£482.04
	Other costs	£2,916.31
	Water, Sewer & Council Tax	£475.47
		£15,472.44
Other expenses	Transfer to CAF Gold Account	£20,000.00
		£20,000.00
Closing balance 31/12/2025		**£6,363.38**

CAF Gold Account 1

Opening balance 01/01/2025		**£22,748.46**
Income	Transfers in	£20,000.00
	Interest	£605.61
		£20,605.61

Expenses	Transfers out	£0.00
		£0.00
Closing balance 31/12/2025		**£43,354.07**

CAF Gold Account 2

Opening balance 01/01/2025		**£7.86**
Income	Card payments in	601.69
	Interest	£0.39
		£602.08
Expenses	Card payments out	£601.69
		£601.69
Closing balance 31/12/2025		**£8.25**

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	Charity Name Doynton Village Hall		
On accounts for the year ended	December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	301520
Set out on pages	1-5 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2025

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Signed:	N.J. Hewitt.	**Date:**	22.9.26
Name:	NEIL HEWITT		
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Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners)

any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	