New Beaconsfield Hall Charity-Annual Report 2025-2026

The AGM marks the first full year of my appointment as chairman following Chris Fitzpatrick's retirement. I am very grateful for Chris's support and help during the handover and also the work he put in to establish sound governance of the charity and a strong financial position.

The hall continues to be at the heart of the village community providing facilities for a range of different groups. The Parish Council continue to support the Day Centre financially which is very helpful. As a result of this support and continuing good financial result the trustees have agreed to freeze the fees for community groups for the coming year. We are keen to encourage more community groups to use the hall, having lost some during Covid. We would like to see more activities for young people. Activities such as tennis and football are very popular with the children. The rock project unfortunately lost its drumming teacher. We plan to introduce more bands and have recruited a former pupil of the project to assist with this. Hopefully this will attract more teenagers.

The hall's finances are in a robust condition making a small surplus of £3,569. It is not the objective of the trustees to make a large profit. As mentioned above we seek to price the hall so as to encourage community groups to the hall. We have available assets of £89,289. As a result of this we are asking trustees to contribute to a wish list for items and improvements to the hall. The phased implementation will be carried out over the next three years. We are also currently drawing up a new ten-year financial plan.

The relationship with users' groups is excellent. We are exploring ways of providing social facilities for the tennis club. This would be a joint project. We have agreed with the Parish Council to provide external storage space for their emergency flood equipment.

The hall has installed and is now using the Hallmaster booking and management system. There have been some initial teething problems. However, it's hoped that in the long term it will bring improvements and save time for both users and staff.

This year we have started a review of all of our policies and procedures to ensure that they are up to date, relevant and comply with current standards. We have started with financial policies and will work through all areas in the next twelve months. We will seek external guidance if and when it is required.

Various maintenance projects have been carried out during the year. These included: external decorations, resurfacing of the main hall floor, and the conversion of all lighting to LED which will save electricity and maintenance. We were lucky have a qualified electrician who gave his services free. The trustees will continue to look at all ways to reduce the hall's carbon footprint and be as environmentally sustainable as possible. We have taken on a grounds maintenance company to look after areas around the building. This has greatly improved the look of the area. We plan to draw up a planned maintenance programme.

The feedback from users and volunteers continues to be positive. We are extremely grateful to all those that help and support us. We seek to develop our activities in the future with the help of the community.

Stephen Cornford
Chairman
April 2026

THE SHIPTON UNDER WYCHWOOD RECREATION FIELD & VILLAGE HALL CHARITY

Registered as a Charity: Number 304363

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR
TO 31 DECEMBER 2025

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Accounts prepared by Nick Bowman

Accountants report

I have prepared, without audit, the accounts and notes for the period ended 31 December 2025 set out on pages 2 to 4 from the records and information supplied to me.

N J Bowman A.C.A.
Date: 15 September 2026

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

Stephen Cornford

Chairman
Date: 17 September 2026

THE SHIPTON UNDER WYCHWOOD RECREATION FIELD & VILLAGE HALL CHARITY

Income & Expenditure account

For the year ended 31 December 2025

		2025		2024
Income				
Fitness Room		8805		6954
Hall Hiring		28500		30669
Committee Room		3731		4193
Rent Receivable-Tennis Courts		3500		3500
Parish Council Contributions-Subsidy		2600		2600
Rock School Income		28530		34744
Rock school donation received		0		5000
Key Fobs		70		40
Field		2423		2793
Investment income		13321		13175
TOTAL Income		91479		103668
Expenditure				
Salaries	24518		23810	
Cleaning	6417		6105	
Rock School Expenses	18527		23310	
Sports Equipment Maintenance	540		967	
Fitness Room Entry cards	324		288	
Maintenance	15669		5834	
Rates	603		294	
Insurance	2897		2611	
Light & Heat	10171		10429	
Telephone & internet	890		735	
Water	680		1700	
Stationery Postage	112		0	
Miscellaneous Expenses	1404		690	
Performing Rights License	326		309	
Computer & website	359		189	
Depreciation	4474		5055	
TOTAL Expenditure		87910		82325
Surplus for the year		3569		21343
Loss/ profit on sale of investments		-949		29393
Surplus after profit on sale of investments		2620		50736
Unrestricted funds brought forward		890260		839524
Unrestricted fund carried forward		892879		890260

THE SHIPTON UNDER WYCHWOOD RECREATION FIELD & VILLAGE HALL CHARITY

Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2025

	Schedule Ref		2025		2024
FIXED ASSETS	1		566436		569723
INVESTMENTS AT COST	2		213259		264844
Debtors		2875		3028	
Bank and Cash		118141		60167	
		121016		63195	
Creditors		7832		7502	
CURRENT ASSETS			113184		55693
TOTAL NET ASSETS			892879		890260
FINANCED BY					
Restricted Funds			0		0
Unrestricted Funds			892879		890260
TOTAL CHARITABLE FUNDS			892879		890260

Fixed Assets

	Freehold Land	Village Hall	Furniture and fittings	Sports equipment	Stage equ Fittings	Rock School Equipment	TOTAL
Cost as at 1 January 2025	1	541024	109322	36233	25192	23397	735168
Additions in Year	0	0	199	0	0	988	1187
Cost as at 31 December 2025	1	541024	109521	36233	25192	24385	736355
Depreciation as at 1 January 2025	0	0	99787	30837	24727	10094	165445
Depreciation for year	0	0	1451	809	70	2144	4474
Depreciation as at 31 December 2025	0	0	101238	31646	24797	12238	169919
Net Book Value 31 December 2025	1	541024	8283	4587	395	12147	566436
Net Book Value 31 December 2024	1	541024	9535	5396	465	13303	569723

Investments at Cost

Common Investment Funds	2025 MV	Cost b/fwd	2025 Additions	Sales	Cost c/fwd	2024 MV	2024 Cost
COIF Charities Investment		10000		0	10000		10000
COIF A/c 970390001T		60000		0	60000		60000
COIF	137986	70000		0	70000	141721	70000
M&G Charifund	58320	48819			48819	49707	48819
M & G Charity Multi Asset Fund	56358	51584			51584	50587	51584
M & G Charibond	0	51585		-51585	0	50407	51585
CAF Income & Growth Fund Inc	43763	42856			42856	44714	42856
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	296427	264844	0	-51585	213259	340338	264844

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06th October 2026

Mrs C Arnold
The Shipton-Under-Wychwood Recreation Field And Village Hall Charity
New Beaconsfield Hall
Station Road
Shipton-Under-Wychwood
CHIPPING NORTON
Oxfordshire
OX7 6BQ

Dear Carole & The Shipton-Under-Wychwood Recreation Field And Village Hall Charity Trustees

Re: Independent Examination The Shipton-Under-Wychwood Recreation Field And Village Hall Charity 304363, Period 1st Jan 2025 – 31st December 2025

I have used the Independent examination of charity accounts checklist (CC32a) as the basis for this report, and added notes to each item to explain my yes/no/not applicable decision.

The records and systems for the Charity are, in my opinion to be generally in good order, and any areas for improvement are highlighted below.

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The Directions and documentation	Yes / No / N/A	Comment
Direction 1: Check whether the charity is eligible to have an independent examination		
Checked the charity audit threshold applying to the accounts to be reviewed	Yes	Accounts totalling £91,500 approximately – verified by reviewing cashbook.
Checked an audit is not required for any other reason	Yes	Verified as between £25k and £1mgross income less than £250,000, and aggregate value of assets is less than £3.26m
Confirmed the charity is eligible for independent examination	Yes	Confirmed as meeting the criteria.
Confirmed the amount of the charity's income to figure shown the accounts (including any branches) and confirmed that income and assets are below the audit threshold or, if applicable, obtained a copy of the letter from the Commission approving an audit dispensation	Yes	Confirmed, see above, no dispensation required.
If the charity has one or more subsidiaries confirmed that group accounts are not required by law	N/A	No subsidiaries.
If a charitable company checked that the audit exemption statement has been made	N/A	Not a company.
If applicable, rechecked the threshold calculation during the examination	N/A	No need to recalculate
If the charity's income is more than £250,000 confirmed that the examiner is a member of one of the listed bodies	N/A	Income below threshold, £91,500 approximately confirmed.
If applicable, informed the trustees that the charity is not eligible for an independent examination	N/A	Is eligible.
If receipts and payments accounts have been prepared, checked that the charity's gross income is less than £250,000 and that it is not a company	N/A	Income and Expenditure preparation of accounts.
If receipts and payments accounts have been prepared, check that there is no requirement to prepare accruals accounts in the charity's governing document or for any other reason	N/A	Income and Expenditure preparation of accounts.
If applicable, informed the trustees that the charity is not eligible to prepare receipts and payments accounts	N/A	Income and Expenditure preparation of accounts.

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Direction 2: Check for any conflict of interest that prevents the examiner from carrying out their independent examination		
Confirmed that there are no close personal relationships with the trustees that compromise independence	Yes	Confirmed, the examiner has no personal relationship with any of the trustees as listed on the Charity Commission.
Confirmed as having no the day to day involvement in the administration of the charity	Yes	Confirmed. The examiner has done no other work for the Chairty; given advice to its staff or Trustee.
If providing other services to the charity then confirmed that all the criteria in Direction 2 necessary for independence are met	N/A	No other services supplied.
Identified that there are no circumstances in the examiner's judgment that would reasonably lead to the perception that the examiner is not independent	Yes	Confirmed, there are no matters of interest which would affect the independence of the examiner.
Considered whether sufficiently skilled to carry out the examination and, where required, confirmed membership of a listed body	Yes	The examiner considered their skills, as an auditor of Parish Councils, which includes very similar considerations; adherence to policies; spot checks of the accounts and general overview of the operation of the organisation and application of the relevant legislation. The Charity does not meet the financial limits to require the examiner to be a member of a listed body.
If applicable, informed the trustees that you are not eligible to carry out the independent examination	N/A	Confirmed as eligible to carry out the independent examination.
Direction 3: Record your independent examination		
File of working papers prepared to document the work undertaken (see the Direction for guidance on key working papers)	Yes	See digitally held papers and this report.
Evidence of appointment on file	Yes	Engagement by email, from a trustee of the Charity.
If issued, letter of engagement signed by the trustees on file	No	Letter of Engagement set to the Charity. No space for signing and returning, see above, trustee of the Charity confirmed appointment.
Documentation of steps required by Direction 1 are all done	Yes	See above.
Documentation that steps required by Direction 2 are all done	Yes	See above.

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Analytical review documented	Yes	See this document, plus • Current year and previous year compared for trends • Paper files provided. • Payroll and Financial Management Policy provided. • Full excel spreadsheet of accounts for the year provided, with comparative data for 2024 included.
Areas of concern identified and noted whether these were resolved or if unresolved and significant have included them in the examiner's report	Yes	All, recorded herein – if found.
Verification and vouching procedures undertaken and any checks made are on file	Yes	On file.
Copy of approved accounts on file	Yes	On file.
Copy of trustees' annual report on file	Yes	On file.
Copies of information relied upon as part of the examination are on file	Yes	All documents asked for and used in the examination have been retained by the examiner, digitally.
If applicable, copies of written assurances given	Yes	All documents asked for have been retained by the examiner, digitally.
Recorded the conclusions drawn as an outcome of the independent examination that support the examiner's report are on file	Yes	See this full report.
Recorded any matters of material significance about which a report must be made direct to the Commission	N/A	No matters of material significance require reporting direct to the Commission.
Recorded whether to exercise discretion and report on relevant matters direct to the Commission	N/A	No relevant matters require reporting direct to the Commission.
Direction 4: Plan your independent examination		
Obtained an understanding of the charity's constitution, objectives, organisational structure, the funds managed, its activities and accounting records and systems	Yes	Asked and received, verbal discussion with trustees on main organisational structure and a copy of the accounts for the year
Planned specific examination procedures appropriate to the circumstances of the charity	Yes	Similar to Parish Council auditing, a variety of inspections to be completed across a variety of policies; the accounts; invoice and bank balance checks etc.

Reviewed whether any areas for improvement were advised to the trustees in the previous year's independent examiner's report (or audit report and management letter) and looked to see if any action taken	N/A	No areas of improvement previously raised.
Considered the financial risks identified and, where accruals accounts prepared, considered whether the trustees have evidence that shows that the charity is a going concern.	Yes	The charity has cash in the bank; no significant debts; normal levels of income; trustees previously approved the accounts without expressing concerns; nothing to suggest financial difficulty.
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	No implications for the examiner's report found.
Direction 5: Check that accounting records are kept to the required standard		
Checked that accounting records have been kept are complete and considered if they have been kept to the required standard	Yes	The accounts independently verified against the bank statements, by the examiner.
Asked the trustees about how they ensure the accounting records are complete	Yes	The minutes throughout the year state that a treasurer's report was received/reviewed, but the content of that report is not recorded in the minutes, nor can it be found on the website. Whilst I have no concerns that accounts do not match the bank statements or that they are incorrect anyway, for next year it would be preferable for there to be more explicit evidence that the trustee is ensuring the accounting records are complete at each meeting.
If corrections made or records created during the examination, the trustee approval for these has been sought and obtained	N/A	Not required.
Asked the trustees if they carried out a review of the charity's internal financial controls in the year reported	Yes	In consultation with the Charity and inspection of the minutes, the internal controls were not explicitly reviewed. That being said as the accounts are administered by a Member of the Accounting Technicians, and there is a clear cascade of information through the charity, who passes information to Carole etc. As stated int eh minutes, it would be better if there was a way to specifically check if each of the hallmaster invoices have actually been paid.

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Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	No implications for separate reporting to the Commission.
Direction 6: Check that the accounts are consistent with the accounting records		
Compared the accounts with the underlying accounting records	Yes	Accounts compared to relevant bank statements, and selection of invoices inspected.
Checked some entries from the listing of transactions of income and expenditure to vouchers such as invoices, bank statements, and receipts.	Yes	Accounts compared to relevant bank statements, and selection of invoices inspected.
If applicable, confirmed that the trustees have taken the necessary steps to ensure that restricted or endowed funds are correctly reported in the accounts	N/A	No restricted funds.
If additional checks were necessary, the evidence was found that showed the accounting record was complete, voucher present, and both supported the entry in the accounts	N/A	No additional checks were required.
Direction 7: If the accounts are prepared on an accruals basis and one or more related party transactions took place the examiner must check if these were properly disclosed in the notes to the accounts		
Checked that the disclosures required by the SORP have been made and are complete	Yes	Complete.
Considered whether there are any implications for the examiner's report and reporting to the Commission	N/A	No implications for separate reporting to the Commission.
If receipts and payments accounts prepared and a related party transaction note was provided, then checked the note for any implications for the examiner's report	N/A	Prepared on Income / Expenditure basis.
Direction 8: Check the reasonableness of the significant estimates and judgments and accounting policies used in accounting for the types of fund held and in the preparation of the accounts		
Checked with the trustees that the separate funds of the charity have been correctly accounted for and reported correctly in the accounts	Yes	All funds are labelled with exact purpose including grants in / out etc..
Checked the reasonableness of any significant estimates or judgments that have been made in preparing the accounts	N/A	No significant estimates required during the year.
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that the accounting policies adopted are consistent with the SORP and are appropriate to the activities of the charity	Yes	Policies adopted and followed.
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that the accounts were prepared on a going concern basis	Yes	Accounts prepared appropriately
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	No implications for the examiner's report found.

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Direction 9: The examiner must check whether the trustees have considered the financial circumstances of the charity at the end of the reporting period and, if the accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, check whether the trustees have made an assessment of the charity's position as a going concern when approving the accounts		
Asked the trustees whether they expect the charity to be able to settle outstanding invoices, bills and commitments as and when they fall due	Yes	It is clear from the minutes and accounts, monies left, orders made and fees and budgeting approved, that the Charity can settle outstanding invoices, bills and commitments. Commitments are not made over and above the finances available.
Asked the trustees about the reserves policy and the adequacy of the level of reserves held	N/A	No specific reserves held.
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that the trustees' have made an assessment of going concern and that their assessment is reasonable given the information available	Yes	The trustees have made the assessment and it is reasonable.
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that the SORP's disclosures about going concern have been made	Yes	The SORP's disclosures about going concern have been made.
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	No implications for the examiner's report found.
Direction 10: Check the form and content of the accounts		
Where receipts and payments accounts have been prepared, checked that the charity can lawfully prepare such accounts, that all the accounting statements are present and that the funds of the charity are correctly identified	N/A	Income and Expenditure used.
Where accruals accounts are prepared, checked that they comply with the SORP and applicable accounting standard	Yes	SORP checked.
If the charity is a company, checked that the accounts also comply with the applicable company law requirements	N/A	Not a Company.
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	No implications for the examiner's report found.
Direction 11: Identify items from the analytical review of the accounts that need to be followed up for further explanation or evidence		
Carried out an analytical review	Yes	See all details contained herein.

Following the analytical review, selected material items in the accounts for further explanation or supporting evidence	Yes	Asked for additional information.
		• I asked for the following and they were received
		  ○ All the charity minutes for the year
		  ○ The previous Independent Examination certificate.

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If the accounts could be materially misstated, additional checks were undertaken and the examiner is satisfied that the item(s) identified were satisfactorily explained and correctly included in the accounts	N/A	Could not be materially misstated, simple accounts, verified against the bank balances, with spot checks of invoices.
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	No implications for the examiner's report found.
Direction 12: Compare the trustees' annual report with the accounts		
Checked that any figure for reserves quoted in the trustees' annual report is not materially inconsistent with the accounts	Yes	Annual report compared and verified to the accounting statements.
Compared the trustees' annual report with the accounts for any material inconsistency	Yes	Annual report compared and verified to the cashbook.
Noted any implications for the examiner's report and for separate reporting to the Commission	N/A	No implications for the examiner's report found.
Direction 13: Write and sign the independent examination report		
Reviewed the conclusions from the independent examination	Yes	See Below.
Considered whether the examination has identified a matter of concern that should be reported in the examiner's report	Yes	No matters of concern identified.
Checked that the examiner's report covers all of the matters required	Yes	Every item on the checklist answered.
If relying on the work of others in undertaking the independent examination, the examiner is fully satisfied with their work and that work has been fully documented	N/A	No other people involved in this independent examination.
Signed and dated the examiner's report	Yes	Hardcopy with signature provided.
Reported matters of material significance direct to the Commission	N/A	No significant matters have arisen.
Exercised discretion and reported relevant matters direct to the Commission	N/A	No matters to report.

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Conclusion of the Independent Examination

In conclusion, I have found no matters, significant or not, which need reporting to the Charity Commission.

The accounts, practices and management of the Charity appear to be in good order. The Charity is following its own processes, and those imposed on it by Charity Law.

Report to the Trustees

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year 1st January 2025 - 31st December 2025. 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 I have completed my examination.

I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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.

The Trustees of the Charity are welcome to contact me if there are any queries regarding the content herein.

Yours Faithfully,

LWhite

Mrs L White