

Trustees' Annual Report for the period



Period start date	Period end date
From 01 01 2024	To 31 12 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **Spaxton Village Hall & Playing Field**

Other names charity is known by **Spaxton Village Hall**

Registered charity number (if any) **304633**

Charity's principal address **Spaxton Village Hall**
High Street, Spaxton
Bridgwater
Postcode TA5 1BS

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Glyn Richards	Chair		Playing Field Users Group
2	Jane Flowers	Secretary	From September 2024	
3	Alison Jarah	Treasurer		
4	Doreen Harris	Vice Chair		
5	Kim Bellinger	Booking Secretary		
6	Keith Bellinger			Cricket Club
7	Simon Haswell			Spaxton Society
8	Simon Stretton			Parish Council
9	Christine Donnelly	Lottery Organiser		
10	Gail Wainwright			Women's Institute
11	Colin Foxhall			
12	Anne Milne			Short Mat Bowls
13	Gilly Thomas			
14	Jackie Loxton			
15	Martin Brown			Community Stores
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <small>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</small>	Constitution, adapted in 1975 from an original Conveyance dated 1939
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg. trust, association, company)</small>	As a trust with trustees and volunteers.
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</small>	A combination of elected by village hall user groups, elected at the AGM and co-opted, at the AGM and throughout the year if required.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

As a small local stand alone charity, we provide new trustees with information packs and forward other information packs as you issue them. We have regular meeting which are used to discuss and formulate policies for emerging issues, problems and questions and opportunities.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To manage & maintain buildings & open play spaces for the community to engage in entertainment, education, training, arts, culture, sport, recreation & socialising.

We act in the public benefit by providing this venue within our community and keeping the costs of using the hall as low as is possible, while covering overheads and ensuring we maintain both building and playing areas to a safe standard.

We are proud of the activities which take place in our hall, organised by volunteers and local individuals who provide sports and social events, particularly beneficial to our elderly population.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

We do not award grants and any money we have which is not needed immediately is placed in a building society account to accrue interest until it is needed.

For example our building is 90 years old and 2024 was a year of volatile weather, which caused movement and breakage of roof tiles very regularly. As the building has not been re-roofed for many years we have kept money aside for this very costly repair, especially as grants are harder to obtain in the present financial climate.

We are very pleased to welcome volunteers to help us and we are lucky that as a small village someone is usually available to help when needed.

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Our main achievements in 2024 were actually to keep the hall running and especially the continuing popularity and expansion of our community cafe and our toddler group, catering for both ends of the age spectrum and those who often have no access to transport (there being no public transport in our area).

We also maintain a free to use play area which is well used by local children and teenagers as a safe place to meet and have fun. This obviously comes at a financial cost, but for 2024 we have been fortunate to receive grant funding from our local Parish Council. We are very grateful to them.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We keep a reserve fund of £25,000 to enable us to respond quickly to any urgent repairs. Again this is vital as we have an elderly building.
We aim to keep all funds except a working balance in a building society account so it can accrue interest.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds are in deficit.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Our major fundraising is through our village hall lottery which is supported by almost all the families in the village. We take in over £8,000 per year and we give back 50%, with the monthly draw giving out six prizes, (72 prizes per year). This has been very successful and as our hall is elderly has meant we can fund repairs and make improvements when needed.

Section F


Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		D R Harris
Full name(s)	Glyn Kenneth Richards.	Doreen Rhoda Harris
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Vice Chairman.
Date	14 OCT 2025.	

SPAXTON VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELD COMMITTEE

Registered Charity 304633

Accounts for year ending 31st December 2024

Balances brought forward:

Lloyds Current	8793.26	
Hanley Economic BS	69611.46	
Lloyds Lottery	6485.69	

	84890.41	82345.76

Income:	2024	2023
Hire of Hall	12147.00	11380.00
Fundraising	-	580.00
Grants/donation	4131.39	5469.05
Bank Interest	2090.25	2120.39
Lottery subs	8415.16	8630.16
Feed in Tariff (PV)	4184.22	3733.20
Ground Rent	50.13	171.09
Sundries	20.00	0.03
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	31038.15	32083.92
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	115928.56	114429.68
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Expenditure:	2024	2023
Cleaning	3796.02	3941.68
Oil	1145.66	1575.23
Electricity	1878.11	1786.73
Water	1514.04	1361.98
Telephone	758.57	693.83
Repairs/Maint'ance	7348.63	3171.79
Improvements	4983.50	8441.45
Insurance	2099.38	2012.60
Subs/licences	337.52	315.00
Lottery Prizes	4265.84	4380.99
Sundries	25.00	34.99
Celebration expenses	-	1226.00
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	28152.27	28942.27

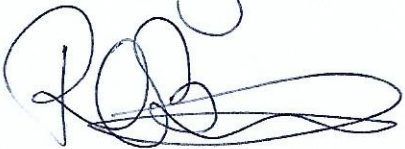
Accounts rendered but unpaid:	890.00	597.00
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	29042.27	29539.27

Balances carried forward:

Lloyds Current	9549.57	8793.26
Hanley Economic BS	71701.71	69611.46
* Lloyds Lottery	5635.01	6485.69
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	86886.29	84890.41

* Includes £3040.00 lottery prizes

	115928.56	114429.68
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Reviewed by Robert O'Brien ACMA


26-3-2025



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees SPAXTON VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELD

On accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024 Charity no (if any) 304633

Set out on pages (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 31 12 2024

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

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.

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

Signed: [Signature] Date: 26-3-2025

Name: ROBERT O'BRIEN

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body ACMA

(if any):

Address:

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).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.