



Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers play a vital role in the charity's success, contributing their time and skills to support events, maintenance, and community programs. Their dedication ensures the smooth operation of activities such as fundraising events, youth engagement programs, and facility upkeep. The charity remains committed to recruiting, training, and recognising volunteers for their invaluable contributions.
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	As our committee continues to grow, we remain committed to making a meaningful impact within the community. We have established the venue as a safe and welcoming space for young people, a hub for social inclusion to reduce loneliness and isolation, and a vibrant setting for celebrations, including parties, weddings, and public events such as craft fairs. Additionally, we provide a warm and supportive environment for vulnerable members of the community, fostering new friendships and strengthening social connections. Through these efforts, the charity has enhanced the well-being of residents and contributed to a more connected and inclusive society.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Over this financial period, the charity has made significant progress in achieving its objectives. Regular club bookings, including community events, and recreational activities, have strengthened local engagement. The successful hosting of monthly community parties. Ongoing improvements to facilities and increased volunteer participation further support the charity's mission to enhance the well-being of the Great Blakenham community.
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The charity currently priorities reinvesting
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Funds into community programs and facility maintenance rather than financial investments. As a result, there are no significant investment holdings to assess against performance objectives. However, any surplus funds are strategically allocated to enhance the charity's services, improve infrastructure, and support long-term sustainability. The trustees continuously evaluate financial opportunities to ensure funds are used effectively to benefit the community.
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	At the end of the reporting period, the charity remains in a stable financial position, with income generated through regular club bookings, fundraising events, and community initiatives. Despite economic challenges, the charity has effectively managed its resources to maintain operations and continue providing essential services to the community. The charity follows a prudent reserves policy to ensure financial sustainability. Reserves are maintained to cover unforeseen expenses, support future development projects, and provide financial security in case of unexpected reductions in income. Holding reserves enables the charity to continue delivering key services and activities without disruption.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The trustees have assessed the charity's financial position and, despite economic pressures, believe it remains a going concern. Ongoing fundraising efforts, grant applications, and increased community engagement will help ensure long-term sustainability. However, the trustees continue to monitor financial performance closely and implement strategies to mitigate any potential risks.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity's primary sources of funding include income from regular club bookings, venue hire for private and community events, and fundraising activities such as seasonal fairs, raffles, and sponsored events. Additionally, grant funding and community donations play a vital role in supporting the charity's ongoing initiatives and operational costs. The trustees actively seek new funding opportunities via grants to enhance
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		financial sustainability and expand services.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<p>However, should surplus funds become available, the trustees will explore responsible investment opportunities that align with the charity's mission while maintaining financial security. Any investment decisions will be made in accordance with ethical guidelines and in the best interests of the charity and its beneficiaries.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial Sustainability: Reliance on external funding and donations A description of the principal risks facing the charity Para 1.46 requires diversification of income sources.</li> <li>• Operational Costs: Rising utility and maintenance expenses necessitate cost-saving measures.</li> <li>• Volunteer &amp; Trustee Engagement: Ongoing recruitment and training are essential for continuity.</li> <li>• Regulatory Compliance: Regular reviews ensure adherence to governance and safety standards.</li> <li>• External Factors: Economic changes and policy shifts may impact operations, requiring strategic planning.</li> </ul>
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Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed dates 18 JANUARY 1963
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	We are constituted as an unincorporated association.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The charity adheres to standard practices as outlined by the Charity Commission for England and Wales. Typically, this involves the appointment of trustees through resolutions passed at properly convened meetings, such as Annual General Meetings (AGMs). The charity ensures that trustee selection aligns with its objectives and complies with regulatory requirements.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity's organisational structure includes an Executive Committee of Trustees from the Parish Council, Church, village and Cycle Speedway. There is a recognised priority to recruit more Trustees and Volunteers to enhance the charity's operations.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	
Charity's principal address	



**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Kerrie Anne Vipond	Treasurer		
2	Emma Ford	Secretary		
3	Avril Hammond	Chair		
4	Janet Momoh Jamesy	Trustee		
5	Stacey Runciman	Trustee		
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Kerrie Vipond	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Kerrie Vipond	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Treasurer	
<b>Date</b>	31/01/2026	

Recreation Ground And Village Hall -  
Independent Examiners Report for period 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2025 -  
Charity Number 304753  
Treasurers Account Number 04360460

**Income**

Hall Hire	£12,174.50
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Admin	£377.50
Utilities - Water	£343.38
Misc Exps	£234.37
Phone	£36.00
Bank Charges	£12.20
Bar Expenditure	£18,264.62
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b><u>£38,466.68</u></b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b><u>-£3,780.20</u></b>

**Bank Balances confirmed @ 31/03/25**

Main Account	£18,458.55
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Fixed Term Deposit	£11,629.75
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	<b><u>£32,398.12</u></b>

**Recreation Ground and Village Hall Charity Number  
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Relevant Professional qualification/professional body: AAT fully Qualified. ACCA Advanced Diploma in Accounting and Business.

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