

**The Chobham Village Hall**  
**Station Road, Chobham, Surrey, GU24 8AQ**  
**Registered Charity No. 305003**  
**Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st December 2024**

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**The Governing Document**

Chobham Village Hall was founded by a Deed dated 12th April 1888 and is now regulated by a Scheme made by the Charity Commissioners on 1st December 1905 and a later Scheme made under section 18 of the Charities Act 1960 dated 24th June 1965 as amended on 14th May 2007. In an Order dated 11th March 1971 the property is vested in Chobham Parish Council, the Custodian Trustee of the Charity, for all the estate and interest belonging to or held in trust for the Charity.

**Objects of the Charity**

The Hall is to be used by the inhabitants of the Parish of Chobham, without any form of discrimination, with the object of improving the conditions of life of those living in the parish. The property may also be used by others provided that such use does not substantially interfere with the use by local inhabitants.

**Investment Powers**

Surplus funds may be invested. The Scheme does not impose any restrictions or give any directions as to where surplus funds may be invested; such funds are or have been placed with recognised banks or building societies.

**Trustees**

The following served as Trustees throughout the year: Mr. A. P. Allum, elected, Mr. G. J. Parris, elected, Mr. B. J. Leadsom and Mr. I A C. Taylor, elected, Mrs. A. J. Beavis, appointed by Chobham Conservative Association, Mr. R. Mumford, appointed by Chobham Agricultural & Horticultural Society, Mr. L. Brum, appointed by Chobham Parish Council and Mr. D. M. Pearce, appointed by Chobham Cricket Club. Mr. R.G. Gillham, appointed by the Parochial Church Council of St Lawrence, Chobham with St Lawrence, Valley End resigned as a Trustee on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024. Mr. J. Massarano and Mrs. Carole Mancini were elected as Trustees on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

Up to five trustees may be elected at the Annual General Meeting and six may be appointed, one from each of the Organizations nominated in the amended Scheme. Up to five Co-optative Members may be appointed during the year by the Committee, such appointments terminating at the close of the following Annual General Meeting.

**Financial Report for the Year**

The year resulted in an operating deficit of £15,296 (2023: £11,506 deficit).

Income from lettings amounted to £ 31,211 (2023: £24,543) and total expenditure amounted to £47,268 (2023: £36,934). Large increases in the cost of gas, electricity and general repairs and maintenance had contributed to the substantial increase in expenditure.

In our capacity as Trustees we continue to do our best to maintain to a high level the condition of the building, the main part of which is in excess of 130 years old.

Thanks are due to all those involved in the management and administration of the building for the benefit of the local Community. Occupancy levels have been more than maintained.

**Public benefit statement**

The Trustees are satisfied that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charities Commission, in exercising their powers and duties.

**Declaration**

I declare, in my capacity as Chairman of the Trustees of the Charity administered under the title of "The Chobham Village Hall", that this Report has the approval of the Trustees who have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

Ian A.C. Taylor  
Chairman of the Trustees

7<sup>th</sup> April 2025



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**Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st December 2024**

		<b><u>2024</u></b>	<b><u>2023</u></b>
<b><u>Income</u></b>		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	Lettings	31,211	24,543
	Bank interest	761	485
	Donation	-	400
<b>Total Income</b>		<b><u>31,972</u></b>	<b><u>25,428</u></b>
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>			
	Gas	16,916	5,183
	Electricity	4,129	2,630
	Water and waste water	936	609
	Refuse collection	545	496
	Contract cleaning	8,015	7,546
	Insurance	1,844	1,599
	Officer's expenses	2,496	2,268
	Subscription: PRS for music	260	183
	Repairs and general maintenance	9,166	3,387
	External paintwork	-	10,150
	Car park repairs	2,760	2,650
	Sundries	200	233
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b><u>47,268</u></b>	<b><u>36,934</u></b>
<b>Deficit for year</b>		<b><u>(15,296)</u></b>	<b><u>(11,506)</u></b>

**Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024**

<b><u>Net Assets</u></b>	Bank current account	17,274	31,531
	Bank deposit account	50,391	51,430
		<b><u>67,665</u></b>	<b><u>82,961</u></b>
<b>Represented by:</b>			
<b><u>Reserves</u></b>	At 1st January 2024	82,961	94,467
	Deficit for year	<b><u>(15,296)</u></b>	<b><u>(11,506)</u></b>
	31st December 2024	<b><u>67,665</u></b>	<b><u>82,961</u></b>

**Approved by the Trustees on 7th April 2025 and signed by:**

Ian A C Taylor

Carole Mancini

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Chobham Village Hall (Charity no. 305003) on the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024.**

I report to the Trustees on my Examination of the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of Report**

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts in accordance with 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 Act and in carrying out my Examination, I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charities 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 which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act
- the Accounts do not accord with the accounting records
- the Accounts do 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.

Leonard Edward Bentall FCA  
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7<sup>th</sup> April 2025