Finance and Reserves

The Charity's accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026 are attached. These show a surplus for the year of £8,000 and cash reserves at the year end of £30,186.

The Trustees objective is to ensure that adequate reserves, in the form of cash and bank deposits, are set aside. These balances are available for unforeseen expenditure in relation to building maintenance or equipment replacements. It is the Trustee's policy to maintain unrestricted reserves equivalent to at least annual revenue.

Future

The Trustees believe our Reserves are sound which allows the Hall to remain competitive and offer a valuable, well-maintained local facility for our regular hirers and wonderful venue for special occasions.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved this report on 11th May 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

Phillip E. Rapley

Phillip Rapley
Chairman

Ellen's Green Memorial Hall

Furzen Lane, Ellen's Green, West Sussex RH12 3AR

Registered Charity no: 305023

Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

Trustees

Phillip Rapley – Chairman, Acting Secretary
Katy Rapley – Booking Secretary
Anthony Watts – Treasurer
Andrew Harding
Clive Bush
Stephen Goodchild
Julia Lilley
Paul Real

During the year no Trustee received any remuneration for services as a member. Each Trustee must be reappointed at the AGM.

Governance

On 9 April 1952 the Ellen's Green Memorial Hall became a Charity. The conveyance document of 10 August 1948 setting up this proposed charity is our Trust Deed.

Objectives and activities

The object of the charity is the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use by the residents of Ellen's Green and surrounding areas of benefit for recreational, leisure and educational purposes without distinction of political, faith or other opinion.

Ellen's Green Hall provides a community facility that is extensively used by a wide range of Hirers. Regular users include Toddler and Art Groups, Badminton, Table Tennis and Bridge Clubs and are available for private hire and used for such as wedding receptions, children's parties and family occasions.

Achievements and performance

The Hall continues to be a key amenity for Ellen's Green and surrounding areas. It plays an important role as being the only place in the Village where people of all ages can indulge their interests and pastimes.

Receipts from lettings increased 53% on prior year, heating costs reduced by 48% due primarily to lower gas tariffs but also careful space management. It should also be noted that grant receipts for playground improvements were not fully spent by year end. The Hall finished the year with an operating surplus and increased Reserves. The Hall committee expect to achieve a small surplus in the coming financial year, with close facility management and user support to help mitigate the financial impact of generally increasing running costs, and to maintain favourable hourly hire rates for regular users.

Ellen's Green Memorial Hall

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Accounts and Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31st March 2026

Ellens Green Memorial Fund

Accountant's Report

We hereby certify the annexed Receipts & Payments Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2026, showing a surplus of £8,000 in accordance with the records, information and explanations supplied to us.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT
Wedgewood
Mapledrakes Road
Ewhurst
Surrey GU6 7QW

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LINDA KOSCIA FCA

Ellens Green Memorial Hall

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Receipts and payments accounts 2025/2026

For the period from		Year Ending 31-Mar-26	Prior Full Year Apr 24-Mar 25
RECEIPTS YTD		**Total £ funds**	**Total £ funds**
Lettings		18,066	11,780
Donations	Ewhurst Parish Council	7,700	300
	Ellens Green Mission Hall Trust	700	700
	Surrey CC Playground Grant	14,800	-
Interest	COIF	1,083	926
	Total Receipts	42,349	13,706
PAYMENTS			
Council Tax	Waverley Borough Council	264	88
Water Rates	Everflow	405	204
Electricity	British Gas Trading	912	935
Gas	British Gas	3,762	7,782
Insurance	Zurich	1,379	1,189
Cleaning		1,115	1,125
Fire Protection	Chubb Fire	551	129
Grounds	HP Garden Solutions	950	1,350
Internet	Box Broadband	142	120
Advertising / Sundries		299	168
Hall Maintenance		2,851	1,877
Playground Maintenance		21,719	1,502
Website		-	370
	Total Payments	34,349	16,839
DEFICIT/ SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		8,000	-3,133
Funds in Bank			
	National Westminster	5,485	2,569
	COIF	24,701	19,617
		30,186	22,186
Debtors		-	0
Creditors			0
		-	0
Reserves brought forward		22,186	25,319
Deficit/surplus for the year		8,000	-3,133
Reserves carried forward		**30,186**	**22,186**