**Horningsham Memorial Hall**
**Annual Report 2025**

Welcome, and thank you for coming out this evening to support the hall, and the committee which keeps it running. The Hall is physically at the heart of the village, and we really want everyone in the village to feel a warmth towards it – it belongs to the people of Horningsham. We also need to attract people from outside the village to use it, to share this great resource and to help fund the ongoing maintenance, as well as our big plans for the future. As you will hear in more detail from our treasurer, running costs have increased alarmingly and we are struggling to cover these from rental income. Individuals hire the Hall, generally for weddings, parties and wakes, with residents benefitting from a preferential rate. Village businesses also hire the facilities from time to time, but I'm going to focus this report on the regular hirers, and events managed by the Hall committee.

This year we've been successful in attracting a more varied range of users, which is very encouraging. Overall the Hall has had a busy and exciting year, maintaining its regular users events, and trying out some new enterprises. Our regular users are the school and FOHPS for our young residents and their parents, and the luncheon club, catering for our older villagers. The cricket club is also a key user, which spans all ages (and abilities, so I believe)! The regular yin yoga classes which started last year have been sustained, but sadly the fitness classes ended when the Grove family moved away. We did, however, host the Maiden Bradley fitness classes while their hall had its new windows installed. In addition, there are regular events held by, or in conjunction with, the hall committee which have also continued – the Spring and Autumn village meals, bonfire night (in conjunction with the cricket club), the village Fayre (in conjunction with the Fayre committee) and the Rural Voices monthly Saturday breakfast talks, raising funds for the Regeneration Project. The monthly village coffee mornings have continued and have recently benefitted from an uptick in attendance, because the informal Horningsham gardening group now use the opportunity to exchange knowledge and plants and seeds.

In addition to these, we have been trying out some new ventures. More notable was the opera (La Traviatta) in July 2025, and the revival of the Horningsham pantomime tradition in January 2026. The latter was so successful that plans are already afoot for the next one, with the potential for more "home grown" theatrical fun in between. It was noticeable that both of these productions brought new faces to the hall, and strengthened links between locals. Businesses have also hired the Hall for a range of activities, from an antique valuation to a pickling workshop and a villager information evening about fibre internet.

Maintenance of this aging building is, as ever, ongoing. This year the Jubilee Room has had a big clean up, and new shelves have been fitted in the cupboards. The veranda has been repaired, as has the cooker, which died the day before the autumn meal! We have also benefitted from some new kitchen equipment – glasses, teatowels, chopping boards etc, thanks to an Area Board grant from Wiltshire County Council. We are now working on a big cupboard project at the back of the hall, to ease storage situation in the kitchen and make management of separate wedding the crockery and cutlery less onerous.

The treasurer will go into detail about our funding, but I would like to take this opportunity to record our thanks to Wilts CC for the Area Board grant, the Fayre committee, for donations to both the hall upkeep and the regeneration project, and SSEN for their grant for the regeneration project.

This project uses our impending centenary in 2030 as a target update the hall and make it fit for the next 100 years. The ambition is to address the spiralling maintenance and energy costs, improve accessibility and sustainability, and provide the community with a vital hub which can also be used as a refuge in times of emergency. To this end we have been consulting the village about the initial draft plans, and working with the Parish Council as they develop their emergency plan. A significant grant from SSEN has put us in a position to move forward with the planning stages, which included a full structural survey. We have not received the written report yet, but verbal feedback was that it did not reveal any unknown issues, but roof needs attention in the short term, so that is likely to be our first priority.

Fundraising for the work, especially from Rural Voices, continues steadily, but will need to step up once we have concrete plans. To speed this along we have just formed a subcommittee to provide more focus.

Looking ahead to next year, we will continue with our events, and efforts to expand the range of people using the hall. We would also like to expand the committee membership, and ensure that all the key user groups are represented. We hope to submit a premises licence application soon, move regen project on to next stage – i.e. tender for first works, and have another panto, and poss more theatrical events.

On a more personal note, I'd like to thank all my fellow committee members. It's been inspiring to work as part of this team, where it's so obvious that everyone cares deeply about the hall. Every single member has made a valuable contribution throughout the year, which is why I haven't singled anyone out in my report.
Once again, thank you for coming along tonight, and if you're not already part of our committee, please think about joining us. If you are on the committee – please stay!

Annemarie Green, Chair

# TREASURER'S REPORT
## James Oborne

### Bank & Cash Balances

| | 31 December 2025 |
|---|---|
| Lloyds Current Account | £30,463 |
| Regeneration Fund | £6,943 |
| Savings Account | £13,298 |
| Cash | £313 |
| Total | £51,017 |

### Cashflow

| | 2025<br>1 Jan - 31 Dec |
|---|---|
| **Income** | **£40,559** |
| Hall Hire | £15,563 |
| Events | £6,535 |
| Grants & Donations | £17,701 |
| Interest Income | £760 |
| **Expenses** | **(£18,456 )** |
| of which | |
| Regular | (£16,544 ) |
| Utilities | (£4,656 ) |
| Electricity | (£3,480 ) |
| Telecoms | (£814 ) |
| Water | (£361 ) |
| Services | (£4,220 ) |
| Cleaning | (£1,596 ) |
| Insurance | (£1,450 ) |
| IT | (£510 ) |
| Grounds | (£267 ) |
| Fire safety | (£221 ) |
| Fees | (£126 ) |
| Advertising | (£50 ) |
| Repairs & Maintenance | (£7,668 ) |
| Roof | (£2,340 ) |
| Building Repairs | (£2,192 ) |
| Kitchen Servicing | (£1,530 ) |
| Misc Supplies | (£799 ) |
| Plumbing | (£573 ) |
| Electrician | (£234 ) |
| Improvements | (£1,912 ) |
| Projector | (£618 ) |
| Kitchen Equipment | (£494 ) |
| Regeneration Plan | (£350 ) |
| Card Reader | £0 |
| New Crockery | £0 |
| Other Capex | (£450 ) |
| **Net Inflow** | **£22,103** |

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

| Horningsham Memorial Hall | 305530 |
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# Receipts and payments accounts

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| For the period from | 01/01/2025 | To | 31/12/2025 |
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## Section A Receipts and payments

| | Unrestricted funds to the nearest £ | Restricted funds to the nearest £ | Endowment funds to the nearest £ | Total funds to the nearest £ | Last year to the nearest £ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **A1 Receipts** | | | | | |
| Grants and Donations | 17,701 | - | - | 17,701 | 2,748 |
| Investment Income | 760 | - | - | 760 | 555 |
| Fund Raising Events | 12,094 | - | - | 12,094 | 3,731 |
| Hall Booking Fees | 15,945 | - | - | 15,945 | 11,363 |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| ***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)* | 46,501 | - | - | 46,501 | 18,397 |
| **A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).** | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| ***Sub total*** | - | - | - | - | - |
| ***Total receipts*** | 46,501 | - | - | 46,501 | 18,397 |
| **A3 Payments** | | | | | |
| Cost of Fund Raising Events | 5,559 | - | - | 5,559 | 893 |
| Costs of Bookings | 383 | - | - | 383 | 345 |
| Utilities and Services | 8,876 | - | - | 8,876 | 7,326 |
| Repairs & Maintenance | 7,668 | - | - | 7,668 | 5,754 |
| Investments in Improvements | 1,912 | - | - | 1,912 | 1,190 |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| ***Sub total*** | 24,398 | - | - | 24,398 | 15,508 |
| **A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)** | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | |
| | - | - | - | - | |
| ***Sub total*** | - | - | - | - | - |
| ***Total payments*** | 24,398 | - | - | 24,398 | 15,508 |
| ***Net of receipts/(payments)*** | 22,103 | - | - | 22,103 | 2,889 |
| **A5 Transfers between funds** | - | - | - | - | - |
| **A6 Cash funds last year end** | 28,914 | - | - | 28,914 | - |
| ***Cash funds this year end*** | 51,017 | - | - | 51,017 | 2,889 |

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

| Categories | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **B1 Cash funds** | Bank Current Account | 30,463 | - | - |
| | Savings Accounts | 20,241 | - | - |
| | Petty Cash | 313 | - | - |
| | ***Total cash funds*** | 51,017 | - | - |
| | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | OK | OK | OK |

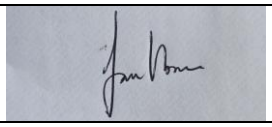
| | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **B2 Other monetary assets** | | - | - | - |
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| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |

| | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **B3 Investment assets** | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |

| | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use** | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
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| | | | - | - |
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| | | | - | - |

| | Details | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **B5 Liabilities** | None | | - | |
| | | | - | |
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| | | | - | |
| | | | - | |

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

| Signature | Print Name | Date of approval |
|---|---|---|
|  | James Oborne | 28/10/2026 |
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CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A Independent Examiner's Report

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Report to the trustees/ members of** | Charity Name<br>Horningsham Memorial Hall | | |
| **On accounts for the year ended** | 31st December 2025 | **Charity no (if any)** | 305530 |
| **Set out on pages** | This Examiner's Report extends only to the standard two pages.<br>(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 2025

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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.

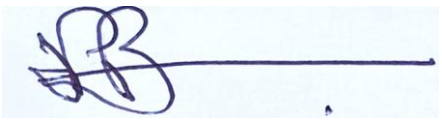
**Independent examiner's statement**

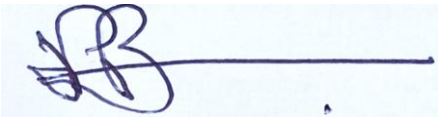
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- 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.

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

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| **Signed:** |  | **Date:** | 30_10_26 |
| **Name:** | Julian Philp Bosdet | | |
| **Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):** | Early career trained for two years as an Accountant at PwC. From 2004 founder and CEO of leading City Financial PR Firm that has handled 97 IPOs mainly on the LSE. Numerous transactions max value £6.2bn. | | |
| **Address:** | Old Timbers, 14 Gentle Street<br>Horningsham<br>Wiltshire BA12 7LD | | |

| Section B | Disclosure |
|---|---|
| | Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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**. | The Accounts of Horningsham Memorial Hall are in excellent order and all transactions accounted for appropriately. The Accounts met by 100% every point on the Checklist provided.<br><br>Tiny procedural comments were made to the Trustees based on the Examiner's Corporate experience and in the light of the Memorial Hall undertaking a major Regeneration project in the near future and will be seeking Grant funding for same. None of these points are material, more thinking ahead as to what Grant funders may ask.<br><br>- Ends -<br><br><br><br>Julian Philip Bosdet<br><br>30th October 2026 |