

BASSENTHWAITE PARISH ROOM – CHAIRMAN’S REPORT 2023

We are now into the 6th year in the “new” Parish Room and our priority as Trustees is to ensure that it is used well and maintained well.

The Hall has specialised equipment (which is more expensive to maintain) However, these facilities attract our weekend visitors (on whom we rely for a good part of our income) and also offers better facilities for our community.

In addition to general maintenance, repairs and service contracts we also have costs for licencing the building and keeping the licences up to date. Alcohol, PRS/PPL, Motion Picture (for Film nights), TV licence. The Parish Council have in the past given us a donation towards the costs for Water and Business Rates and we hope that this will be the case in 2024.

Our thanks go to Louise - our Co-ordinator - who ensures the overnight bookings and private bookings remain at a healthy level. Also Nicola – our Cleaner – who keeps the Hall clean and tidy. Private bookings are steady and classes are continuing - Badminton, Scottish Dance, Yoga and Eni’s Exercise Class

Pop Ins provided a small regular income and a “warm space” during the winter months. Soup Lunches and Pop Ins hold their meetings on alternate Tuesdays during the early part of the year and both have seen an increase in the number attending.

WI and Parish Council meet monthly.

Film Nights are popular – they are held on a monthly basis from Autumn to Spring and again thanks to Louise, Barbara and Suzy for organizing and running these film evenings. They will start again in the autumn 2024.

Claire and Dave (together with their helpers) continue to organize and arrange the ever popular AOW events and annual Ceilidhs – thank you both. The Ceilidh is booked for next January – now an annual event. “Romany” the next AOW production booked for this coming May.

Thanks must also go to our Events Team “helpers” who are many and include Claire (Brewis), Linda (McMillan), Suzy (Smith) and the Pop In Ladies. A special note of thanks to Linda for producing and distributing the Friends of Bassenthwaite Parish Room Newsletter - keeping us all abreast of events.

Fund raising events were very successful and still popular are the Spring Plant Sale, All Day Breakfast, and Christmas Fayre. All booked in for this year.

We are always looking for new ideas for future events and the committee would welcome suggestions.

The Maintenance Team – headed by Mary - are a great help. We have 5 or 6 willing members who we can call on in an emergency. Our thanks go to Mary for organizing, running the team and sometimes doing repairs herself !

Finally a big thank you to Keith – our Secretary and all round Advisor – to Gillian for keeping the books up to date and to all the Trustees who help to run the Parish Room and offer their generous time and support.

We are keen to attract new members on to the committee to ensure that the Parish Room will continue and flourish into the future.

BASSENTHWAITE PARISH ROOM - TREASURER'S REPORT 2023

- Our accounts for 2023 have been independently inspected by Liz Sharp. A £50 cheque was issued to her with our thanks.
- Income £22,242.93
Expenses £23,231.23
Approximately £988.30 expenses over income
- breakdown of our accounts can be seen from handouts
- legacy from Pam Scott gratefully received £5K
- the majority of our income is from Group Bookings which help to keep charges low for community use
- our Co-ordinator receives £17.50 and Cleaner £15 per hour both continue to do a good job,
- Our running costs totalled £23,231.23 (including payments to our Co-ordinator and Cleaner.
- At the year end the overall balances in our accounts were
 No 1. Account £19,094.55
 No 2. Account £30,466.46
Interest rate being 1.95%.

BALANCE SHEET**31/12/2023****NO. 1 Acct**

Cash in hand 31/12/2022	£21,803.53	Expenses	£23,231.23
Income	£22,242.93	Cash in hand 31.12.23	£20,815.23
Total	£44,046.46	Total	£44,046.46

Total assets as of 31/12/2023

No. 1 account £20,815.23

No. 2 account £30,466.46

£51,281.69**No. 2 Acct**

Start of year	£25,046.29
Transfer from No.1 Acct.	£0.00
Bank Interest	£420.17
Pam Scott legacy	£5,000.00
End of year balance	£30,466.46

INCOME £22,242.93

EXPS £23,231.23

EXPENSES OVER INCOME £988.30

Records checked and found to be correct
as at 31.12.2023

BA Sharp. 06.03.2024.

BASSENTHWAITE PARISH ROOM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2023

BREAKDOWN INCOME

<u>Room Hire</u>	
Yoga	£377.50
Scottish dancing	£441.00
Badminton	£160.00
Eni Exercise Class	£154.00
W. I.	£157.50
Soup Lunch	£35.00
Worsley/Betteridge	£291.00
Group Bookings	£12,842.00
SUB-TOTAL	£14,458.00
A O W (gross)	£998.40
Fundraising (gross)	£5,904.60
Pop-in	£245.00
<u>Donations:</u>	
PCC	£351.93
Film Nights	£285.00
Total	£22,242.93

BREAKDOWN OF EXPENSES

Cleaning	£2,729.70
Water/Business rates	£251.93
Electric	£4,816.20
BT/Internet	£478.63
Maintenance/repairs	£1,119.18
Co-ordinator	£7,890.00
Sundries	£528.07
Advertising	£300.00
Fundraising Expenses	£3,326.06
Acct transfer	£0
Bank Charges	£84.97
Licences	£433.38
Deposit refunds	£0
¼ shares Xmas Fayre Church/Chapel/Fobs 2022=3x£321, 2023= 1x£308	£1,273.11
Total	£23,231.23