BILLINGBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL
AGM THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2025
ACTING CHAIRMANS ANNUAL REPORT

- **INTRODUCTION**

2025 HAS BEEN A YEAR OF GREAT PROGRESS WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VILLAGE HALL REFURBISHMENT AND UTILISATION PLAN. WE WERE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME A NUMBER OF NEW APPOINTMENTS TO OUR COMMITTEE WHICH HAS PROVIDED US WITH A GREAT RANGE OF ADDITIONAL SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE.

WE ALSO HAD THE TERRIBLY SAD NEWS OF THE PASSING OF OUR CHAIRMAN ROY GREENWOOD, SOMEBODY WHO HAS GIVEN SO MUCH TO OUR COMMUNITY OVER MANY YEARS. THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE PASSES ON OUR CONDOLENCES TO ALL OF ROYS FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND TO THANK ROY FOR ALL HIS ENERGY, EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND HUMOUR HE BROUGHT TO THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE AND THE WIDER COMMUNITY.

- **2025 IN FOCUS**

THE YEAR STARTED WITH SEVERE FLOODING THAT AFFECTED MANY HOUSEHOLDS IN BILLINGBOROUGH, FORTUNATELY THE HALL REMAINED DRY AND WAS ABLE TO BE USED AS A TEMPORARY FEFUGE FOR THOSE AFFECTED. WE ARE WORKING WITH THE PARISH COUNCIL TO COORDINATE THE USE OF THE VILLAGE HALL FOR ANY OTHER FUTURE EMERGENCIES.

FEBRUARY HAILED THE LAUNCH OF THE VILLAGE HALL ON LINE BOOKING SYSTEM ENABLING USERS TO ACCESS THE DIARY, MAKE BOOKINGS, FIND INFORMATION AND MAKE CONTACT VIA THE INTERNET. WE ALSO CHANGED THE VILLAGE HALL INTERNET SUPPLIER WHICH HAS REDUCED COST AND PROVIDED FULL COVERAGE THROUGHOUT THE VENUE.

THE REFURBISHMENT OF THE BAR AREA COMMENCED IN APRIL AND PROVIDED NEW DRINK CHILLERS, DISH WASHER, SINKS AND STORAGE IN ADDITION TO A MORE CONTEMPORARY LOOK. THE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE THANK THE GENEROSITY OF A LOCAL BENEFACTOR AND AN AVELAND CRAFT GROUP DONATION FOR FUNDING THIS IMPROVEMENT.

THE HALL WAS CLOSED FOR TWO WEEKS IN AUGUST FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF FLOORING/ CARPET IN THE MAIN HALL AND THE DINING AREA. CHAIRS WERE REPLACED WITH MORE COMFORTABLE CONFERENCE FURNITURE AND BISTRO TABLES FOR THE DINING AREA. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR REGULAR USERS FOR THEIR UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION WHILST THE HALL WAS CLOSED. THE COMMITTEE APPLIED FOR AND WERE AWARDED FUNDING FROM THE NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND TO PAY FOR THESE IMPROVEMENTS.

A NUMBER OF VILLAGE HALL FUNDRAISING EVENTS HAVE ALSO BEEEN HOSTED BY THE COMMITTEE DURING 2025 INCLUDING MONTHLY SOCIAL BINGO SESSIONS A VICTORY IN EUROPE 80TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND A FAMILY HALLOWEEN PARTY. ALL OF THESE EVENTS WERE WELL ATTENDED AND CONTRIBUTED TO VILLAGE HALL FUNDS.

VILLAGE HALL UTILISATION CONTINUES TO GROW WITH AN ESTIMATE OF 460 - 500 VISITORS PER MONTH MADE UP OF REGULAR WEEKLY CLASSES/ COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND SOCIAL BINGO. IN ADDITION TO THIS PRIVATE HIRE EVENTS SUCH AS WEDDING RECEPTIONS, BIRTHDAY PARTIES, CRAFT FAIRS

ETC WILL BRING A GREAT DEAL MORE PEOPLE INTO CONTACT WITH THE VILLAGE HALL.

- **2026 PLANS**

THE HALL REFURBISHMENT WILL CONTINUE INTO 2026 WITH REDECORATING THE WALLS, REPLACING THE CURRENT NOTICE BOARDS WITH NEW FIRE RESISTANT BOARDS. PLANS ARE UNDERWAY WITH FUNDING SECURED TO RENOVATE THE STAGE AREA, THIS WILL INCLUDE MAKING THE STAGE MORE ACCESSIBLE WITH WIDER STAIRS AND HANDRAILS, NONSLIP STAGE SURFACE AND REPLACEMENT OF THE EXISTING STAGE CURTAINS WITH NEW FIRE RESISTANT CURTAINS. WE CURRENTLY SUPPORT BILLINGBOROUGH AMATEUR THEATRE SOCIETY WITH THEIR EVENTS AND LOOK FORWARD TO HOSTING MORE 'AM DRAM' AND LIVE ENTERTAINMENT ONCE THESE STAGE IMPROVEMENTS ARE COMPLETED.

- **SUMMARY**

THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE HAS WORKED HARD DURING 2025 TO MAKE THE HALL SUSTAINABLE AND A MORE ATTRACTIVE AND COMFORTABLE PLACE TO VISIT. THE BUILDING IS APPROXIMATELY 70 YEARS OLD AND THEREFORE IS IN CONSTANT NEED OF ATTENTION/ REPAIR/ REPLACEMENT AND WE ARE ALL COMMITTED TO KEEPING THIS VALUABLE COMMUNITY ASSET OPEN AND THRIVING. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR MANY SUPPORTERS, REGULAR USERS, LOCAL BUSINESSES, CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS THAT HELP US RAISE MONEY TO REINVEST IN BILLINGBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL OVER THE PAST 12 MONTHS.

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Dec 2024 to Nov 25	Dec	Jan	Feb	March
INCOME				
GYM	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00
Car Park	-	-	-	195.00
Bookings - Regular	976.50	586.50	744.75	847.50
Bookings - Casual	160.00	265.00	215.00	300.00
Fundraising	1,460.00	-	285.00	700.00
Donations	-	-	4,000.00	
Lottery / Grant Funding	-	-	-	20,000.00
Unrestricted total	**2,721.50**	**976.50**	5,369.75	**22,167.50**
Restricted total	-	-	4,000.00	20,000.00
TOTALS	2,721.50	976.50	1,369.75	2,167.50
EXPENSES				
SKDC Council Tax	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
SKDC Trade Waste	39.00	39.00	39.00	39.00
SKDC Licensing	-	-	-	-
SKDC Garden Waste	-	-	-	53.00
Utilities Anglian Water	39.00	39.00	39.00	39.00
Utilities British Gas Electric	117.03	98.07	62.51	86.67
Utilities Oil	-	628.95	-	619.50
Utilities BT	55.38	59.71	64.14	63.78
Utilities Quickline	-	-	-	-
Mobile Phone	10.00	10.00	-	-
Village Hall Website	-	-	-	120.00
Bank Charges	-	-	-	4.25
TEYA Charges	-	-	-	-
PPL/PRS Limited				
Insurance	-	-	-	-
Cleaner	-	330.00	-	217.50
Cleaning materials	-	273.19	-	163.19
Window Cleaner	-	-	64.00	-
Fund Raising	-			
Bar Stock	-		-	
Labour / Garden	-	-	-	-
Repairs Plumbing	-	-	-	-
Repairs fire protection	-	-	-	74.38
Repairs basic inc lights	-	-	-	-
Repairs Car Park Drains	-	-	-	-
Stationery / Postage				
Return deposits				
Refurbishment				
Sundries		30.00		24.99
Donations				
TOTALS	**273.41**	**1,520.92**	**281.65**	**1,518.26**
Surplus / Loss	2,448.09	- 544.42	1,088.10	649.24

April	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct
125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
666.00	641.25	757.50	555.00	450.00	405.00	645.00
300.00	375.00	172.50	142.50	320.00	195.00	247.50
84.00	1,627.33		451.59		1,276.62	509.18
765.00	22.50			800.00	565.00	
-	-	-	-	-	-	3,750.00
1,940.00	**2,791.08**	**1,055.00**	**1,274.09**	**1,695.00**	**2,566.62**	**5,276.68**
765.00	22.50	-	-	800.00	565.00	3,750.00
1,175.00	2,768.58	1,055.00	1,274.09	895.00	2,001.62	1,526.68
18.52	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
39.00	39.00	39.00	43.29	43.29	43.29	43.29
-		180.00	-	-	-	44.00
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
39.00	39.00	39.00	45.00	45.00	45.00	45.00
115.57	128.13	93.51	75.57	84.18	78.89	120.65
-	-	-	-	-	-	549.65
63.78	67.10	67.10	67.73	67.10	54.07	-
-	-	28.80	28.80	28.80	28.80	28.80
-	7.00	7.00	14.00	-	7.00	14.00
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17.64		17.77				
-						
		418.54				
-		199.75	-	75.45	75.36	75.36
-		300.00	-	270.00	-	-
-	-	-	-	64.00	-	-
379.67	505.35		-			
		-	169.92		456.14	460.06
900.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	93.56	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	112.20	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
					18.76	-
150.00					150.00	-
4,487.27	461.72	9,738.22	315.00	10,775.14	601.02	-
106.80	-	133.56		171.93		42.91
	640.00					
6,317.25	**1,996.86**	**11,390.45**	**775.31**	**11,640.89**	**1,574.33**	**1,439.72**
- 5,142.25	771.72	- 10,335.45	498.78	- 10,745.89	427.29	86.96

Nov	TOTALS	Everyday
125.00	**1,500.00**	1,500.00
585.00	**780.00**	780.00
675.00	**7,950.00**	7,950.00
397.50	**3,090.00**	3,090.00
1,012.78	**7,406.50**	7,406.50
940.00	**7,092.50**	7,092.50
-	**23,750.00**	23,750.00
3,735.28	**51,569.00**	51,569.00
940.00	**30,842.50**	
2,795.28	**20,726.50**	
16.00	**182.52**	182.52
43.29	**489.45**	489.45
-	**224.00**	224.00
-	**53.00**	53.00
45.00	**498.00**	498.00
104.39	**1,165.17**	1,165.17
-	**1,798.10**	1,798.10
-	**629.89**	629.89
28.80	**172.80**	172.80
-	**69.00**	69.00
-	**120.00**	120.00
	39.66	39.66
	-	-
	418.54	418.54
75.36	**501.28**	501.28
	1,117.50	1,117.50
230.37	**666.75**	666.75
-	**128.00**	128.00
	885.02	885.02
327.01	**1,413.13**	1,413.13
-	**900.00**	900.00
	93.56	93.56
	74.38	74.38
-	**112.20**	112.20
180.00	**180.00**	180.00
	18.76	18.76
	300.00	300.00
71.96	**26,450.33**	26,450.33
-	**510.19**	510.19
	640.00	640.00
1,122.18	**39,851.23**	39,851.23
1,673.10	**- 19,124.73**	**11,717.77**

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Billingborough Village Hall

Income and expenses for the year ended 30 November 2025

GYM Transfer	£	1,500.00
Car Park (SpringWells)	£	780.00
Bookings - Regular	£	7,950.00
Bookings - Casual	£	3,090.00
Fundraising	£	7,406.50
Donations	£	7,092.50
Lottery / Grants	£	23,750.00
Total income	**£**	**51,569.00**
EXPENSES		
Cleaner	£	1,117.50
Cleaning Materials	£	666.75
SKDC Rates / C Tax	£	182.52
SKDC Trade Waste	£	489.45
SKDC Garden Waste	£	53.00
SKDC Licencing	£	224.00
VH Insurance	£	501.28
VH Website	£	120.00
Bank Charges	£	39.66
Repairs & Maintenance	£	1,488.14
Stationary / admin	£	18.76
Utilities	£	3,167.79
British Gas	£	1,165.17
PPL/PRS	£	418.54
Bar Stock	£	1,413.13
Fund Raising expenses	£	885.02
Returned Deposits	£	300.00
Donations	£	640.00
Refurbishment costs	£	26,450.33
Sundries	£	510.19
Total expenses	**£**	**39,851.23**
Excess of income over expenses	**£**	**11,717.77**

Balance Sheet at 30 November 2025

Accumulated funds brought forward	£	17,908.72
Excess of income over expenses	£	11,717.77
Accumulated funds carried forward	£	29,626.49
Represented by:		
General funds available	£	22,090.24
Restricted funds	£	7,236.25
Cash float	£	300.00
	£	**29,626.49**

Accountants report

We have checked the figures above as at 30 November 2025 and the income and expenditure account for the year ended 30 November 2025 from the records and vouchers supplied to us. We did not count the cash float held at 30 November but have been assured that this was the correct amount.

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13 November 2026

