

# Murchfield Community Association Trustees Annual Report 2023/24



Murchfield Community Centre  
Sunnycroft Lane  
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# Chairman's Report 2023/24

The hall remains busy and there is a steady demand for the use of the hall for children's parties and other family events. The hall floor was replaced by local company LNC in August 2023 and repainting completed in December 2023.

CCTV cameras were replaced and are now maintained by VOG Alarm Systems from Barry.

Dinas Powys Community Cinema, with its licensed bar, Joe's ice cream, and a carefully selected programme, continues to be a regular monthly event for many residents and we have a loyal audience. Dinas Powys Primary School once again joined us for its Christmas screening in December and has already booked December 2024. I am very grateful to our volunteers who help run the community cinema. Without their help and dedication this venture could not continue and we are always looking for new volunteers prepared to commit one Saturday afternoon and evening per month to this venture.

With its good parking facilities and pleasant surroundings, the hall is continuing to prove a popular venue for community and private events. Fund raising events, including *Rock and Chips*, *DPVC Quiz Nights* and Christmas coffee mornings, have been hosted. Murchfield Community Centre is used by a wide range of regular user groups and for diverse one-off bookings. Regular users include the Childminders, the Wednesday Afternoon Club, Taekwondo, Aerobics, Tuesday Makers, Liberty Dance, DPVC's Afternoon Community Club, and the Vale of Glamorgan Parkinson's Support Group. The hall is also used regularly by Dinas Powys Voluntary Concern for its Memory Café, which incorporates an older persons' art group, run by volunteers and a weekly soup lunch attracting an average number of 25 every Monday.

DPVC has its office at the rear of the building and has used of the hall for volunteer training, AGM and coffee mornings.

I would like to express thanks for all the support the Association receives from our local community, the Community and Vale Councils, and from our dedicated and supportive Management Committee. We welcomed two new Trustees, Jane Sissons and Sharon Burke. They have both used the hall for many years as local childminders.

Murchfield Community Association is in a strong position to look forward to another year of service to the local community.

Managing bookings for the Hall requires a great deal of dedication, and I would like to thank Judith for the hard work she puts in to ensure that the hall is run and managed so efficiently. I would also like to express my thanks to Kevin Parsons and David Knevett of the Vale of Glamorgan Council for the support they give the Management Committee. My thanks go to David Thomas, who has agreed to be our independent examiner of the MCA accounts.

*Councillor John Fanshaw*

*Chairman, Murchfield Community Association*

# Aims and Objectives

Murchfield Community Association is a registered charity run by volunteers that manages Murchfield Community Centre on behalf of the Vale of Glamorgan Council. It has responsibility for day-to-day management and ensuring that the Centre is self-funding. As a community association one of its main aims is to provide facilities, in the form of the Community Centre, that enable the residents of Dinas Powys to take part in activities that

- ✚ Enhance social welfare and inclusion
- ✚ Provide opportunities for learning and education
- ✚ Promote health and wellbeing
- ✚ Provide equal opportunity for everyone regardless of age, race, sex or political or religious orientation.

We do this by bringing together local authorities and other organisations and maintaining and managing the Community Centre with the object of improving the quality of life for the people of Dinas Powys and surrounding area.

## How we would normally achieve this

The Centre provides a range of activities and regular long-term bookings run by other organisations and individuals. These cover a wide range of interests and include.

- ✚ A weekly affordable lunch.
- ✚ Dance classes
- ✚ Art Groups
- ✚ Childminder's group that runs an open session for Mothers and Toddlers once a week.
- ✚ A club for older people once a week
- ✚ The Parkinson's Vale of Glamorgan Support Group once a month
- ✚ Dinas Powys Football Club use the facilities including changing rooms and showers for home matches.
- ✚ A Memory Café runs twice a month for anyone affected by early stages of dementia, and, in conjunction with the café, art classes suitable for older residents.

Murchfield Community Centre is also the home of Dinas Powys Voluntary Concern, a local charity that helps the elderly and provides transport and befriending services through volunteers and two adapted vehicles.

As an Association we also arrange our own events for the community. We believe, as trustees, in offering a range of cultural experiences that are not catered for elsewhere in the village. By organising our own events not only do we achieve our objective of improving the quality of life for residents but we raise much needed funds to continue improving the Centre.

Our events and activities include

- ✚ Dinas Powys Community Cinema with screenings of mainstream current films once a month. The equipment is also available for other organisations such as the Parkinson's Support Group and DPVC to use for fundraising evenings.
- ✚ Specialist film events for local schools and organisations.

The Centre is open to all and is available throughout the year for individual and casual lettings. Numerous children's parties are held at weekends and the Welsh Blood Service book donor sessions twice a year. It is also used for local and national elections as a polling station.

The Trustees work closely with the Vale of Glamorgan Council and Dinas Powys Community Council to provide a safe, secure and welcoming facility for the whole of Dinas Powys to enjoy.

# Finance Report

The accounts presented here are for the financial year from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024. We thank David Thomas for confirming their accuracy.

We have been able to keep our hire rate at a figure of £10 per hr. Although this is one of the lowest rates of any halls in the village it still covers the majority of our expenses. In the second year of party bookings at the new rate of £50 numbers have remained steady.

Our regular hirers contribute £15,000 per year and we are almost at capacity.

Replacing the hall floor was our main expenditure and this is included in the Hall Misc and equipment category and totalled £19,179.84. This was partly paid for by the Vale of Glamorgan buildings insurance to the sum of £17,097.60. We took the opportunity to replace the floor in the chair cupboard which explains the extra amount paid to LNC.

Decorating of the toilets, entrance hall and main hall totalled £915.38. It is intended to repaint again after the hall roof has been replaced at the end of 2024.

Our utility bills have increased but not as much as they could have. 5-year contracts were taken out in 2021 so lower rates were secured. Monthly payments have remained the same for gas, and electricity is a variable direct debit. The Football Club and Bowls Club continue to re pay their electricity usage.

We took advantage of slightly higher interest rate and transferred £20,000 to a 35 day notice account in September 2023.

We end the year with a total of £51,568.09 over our 3 accounts.



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name MURCHFIELD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

On accounts for the year ended

MARCH 31<sup>st</sup> 2024

Charity no (if any)

510630

Set out on pages

(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 DD MM YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did 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.

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

Signed: Dr Thomas

Date: 12/8/2024

Name: DAVID L THOMAS

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

# MURCHFIELD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Registered Charity No. 510630

## Annual Accounts 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024

### Receipts

Cash at Bank at 1st April 2023		£12,501.80
Regular Lettings	£15,046.01	
Casual Lettings	£2,525.00	
Elec Repay Bowls and Football	£980.99	
Misc Income	£19,268.61	
Community Cinema	£2,923.19	
Total for year ending 31st March 2024	<u>£40,743.80</u>	
		£53,245.60

### Expenditure

Business Reserve	£2,700.00
Utilities Gas/Elec/Water	£6,065.21
Cleaning	£5,367.20
Hall Misc and equipment	£28,934.42
Cinema	£2,512.72
Misc Expenditure	£306.40
Total for year ending 31st March 2024	<u>£45,885.95</u>

<b>Cash at Bank at 31st March 2024</b>	<b>£7,359.65</b>
<b>Liquidity Manager Account 3826</b>	<b>£23,385.49</b>
<b>Business Reserve Account 1403</b>	<b>£20,822.95</b>
	<u><b>£51,568.09</b></u>

I confirm that the above receipts and payments account is in accordance with the books and records of the Murchfield Community Association as at the 31st March 2024

Independent Examiner

Treasurer

## Trustees and Management Committee

Chairman	<i>John Fanshaw</i>
Vice Chairman	<i>Jane Sissons</i>
Treasurer	<i>Judith Anderson</i>
Secretary	<i>Sharon Burke</i>

## Committee Members

Kevin Parsons (Vale of Glamorgan Leisure Services)

Rob Bloxham (Dinas Powys Football Club)

Malcolm Phillips - Dinas Powys Community Council Rep

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## Activities at the Hall



