CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 January 2025 Period start date To 31st December 2025 Period end date

Charity name: Dingle Community Association

Charity registration number: 517875

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of. High Acres, Crestwood Park and adjoining estates and the neighbour hood (hereinafter called 'the area of benefit') without distinction of sex or of political, religious or other opinions by associating the local authorities, voluntary organIsations and Inhabitants In a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The main activities in relation to these objects include: We have a number of fitness classes, also a Rhythmic Dance class. We have slimming world and also a Honky Tonk Hoedown line dancing class We have two Toddler groups one run by the association and one independent For more mature people a Good companions group.. We have a number of special interests clubs such as a craft group, Karate, Anything Goes.(craft) The building is used on an irregular basis about 14 times a year for parties and special events hired by those from the community and occasionally by the local authority and Dingle primary school .
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We have ensured that there is a genuine benefit to the public. We have ensured that the charity is not used primarily to benefit trustees and office holders.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	This is not appropriate as all the money is used to maintain the building and association, and heating, electricity etc.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	We have not borrowed money for any type of investment.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Apart from a paid secretary who is self employed and we pay for 6 hours work a week. We have one self employed cleaner who works 8 hours a week on average which is paid by the association.The rest of the charity is run by volunteers without which it would be impossible for the charity to function.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The various clubs maintain their numbers form the local area, which helps the elderly, improves peoples friendship groups, and improves people's general fitness. Support of young families in an inexpensive hiring for birthday parties.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Over the next year our reserves will have to be about £3000 as financial difficulties in which our heating costs are still very high. This has been compounded by the delay in sending bills. Over the last few months this has improved. It has meant that we have had to spread the cost over a few months with permission from the local authority. We will need to increase rents by inflation of 3.5% from September 2026. We still then hope to increase our reserves back to 10,000. We have also further financial constraints in that the Local Authority removed the financial support for our secretary from September 2025 which means we now have to pay her for the 6 hours. Also a number of other financial support from the LA has been removed.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The reason for holding reserves is that our income depends on the groups that hire the building. A significant size of the income is produced by only a few groups which means if one of these groups no longer uses the building we could have a large fall in income while our expenditure would not drop proportionally. These reserves allows us time to get other groups to use the building and so replace the lost income.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Some reserves are kept about £3000 Although next year we would like it to rise the financial constraints make that difficult.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Our main source of income other than one off grants (which are rare) is provided by renting space to various community groups. The main expenditure is used to support and maintain the building. This involves: heating lighting, water, cleaners, telephone, insurance, licences etc. And wages for cleaners and secretary. This has enabled us to have a large use of the building by the community by providing a safe, clean, warm and friendly building.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	We do not invest our money as we use it to improve the building and services other than a reserve kept in the running account.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principle risk facing the charity is financial due to two events that have occurred at the same time, the huge increase in our gas bill and the removal of financial support by the Local Authority particularly the financial support of the Secretary.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	**Constitution**
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	**Association**
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more	Para 1.25	**Officers are appointed by the committee**

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Dingle Community Association
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	517875
Charity's principal address	Dingle Community Centre, Madeley Road, Kingswinford, West Midlands . DY6 8PF

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Alan Dodd	Chair and Trustee		The Committee of the Dingle Community Association is the body that manages the centre and by nomination and voting by the members of the committee, appoint the officials.
2	Lynn Cox	Vice Chair and Trustee		
3	Gill Jewkes	Secretary and Trustee		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	**Dates acted if not for whole year**	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Exemptions from disclosure

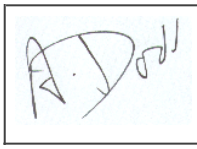
Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Alan Dodd	Lynn Cox
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Vice Chair
Date	28/07/2026	

Unaudited Management Accounts For the Period
01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025
for Dingle Community Association.

Income & Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	2025	2024
Income		**£**	**£**
Regular Lettings		24,385.11	26,049.14
Casual Lettings		2,269.90	2,307.53
Other Income		682.00	5,500.00
Interest Received		1.82	2.67
		27,338.83	**33,859.34**
Expenditure			
Gas		15,769.96	7,236.34
Electricity		4,448.08	3,460.21
Water		185.58	198.33
Wages		10,427.06	11,534.28
Cleaning		2,163.30	1,356.58
Insurance		496.24	1,476.27
Security		462.40	588.39
Website		668.58	-
Communications		413.21	404.16
Misc		1,689.14	7,912.30
Stationery		76.16	190.71
Postage		-	-
Total Expenditure		**36,799.71**	**34,357.57**
Excess/(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure		**(9,460.88)**	**(498.23)**

Signed: Robert Jewkes 10 May 2026

Balance Sheet
for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Current Assets			
Instant Access Account	1	229.95	228.13
Business Account	1	6,944.27	16,719.35
Petty Cash	1 & 2	86.90	58.22
Prepayments & Accrued Income		283.70	
		7,544.82	**17,005.70**
Current Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Net Assets		**7,544.82**	**17,005.70**
Reserves			
Income and Expenditure Account		7,544.82	17,005.70
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Notes to the Accounts	2025 £	2024 £
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Expenditure	(36,799.71)	(34,357.57)
Movement in Accrued Income	(283.70)	149.63
Movement in Unpresented Cheques	-	-
Closing Cash & Equivalents	7,261.12	17,005.70
Cash & Equivalents Comprises of:		
Cash & Equivalents at Bank	7,174.22	16,947.48
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2. Reconciliation of Petty Cash		
Opening Petty Cash	58.22	61.76
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