CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/01/2025 **To** 31/12/2025

Charity name: WILLASTON MEMORIAL HALL

Charity registration number: 520090

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The object of the charity is the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of Willaston without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes, and for other forms of 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	1. Letting of the Hall to groups and individuals for the types of activities mentioned in the charity's object. 2. Maintenance and enhancement of the premises.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the object of the charity under the Trust Deed and their duty under Section 4 of the 2006 Charities Act to give due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

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

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

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 trustees have managed the Hall throughout the year, making it available for hire by local groups and individuals. 16 different groups hired the Hall on a regular basis for activities ranging from Brownies to a club for the elderly to health-related activities, such as Pilates. The Hall is used as venue for a pre-school every weekday during term-time and is used most evenings by other groups. The activities undertaken improve the conditions of life of the inhabitants of Willaston village. When not in use by local groups (mostly at weekends and during the school holidays) the Hall can be hired out to individuals for events such as parties and weddings. This brings in additional income to support the running and maintenance of the Hall. The trustees hosted a musical afternoon during the year which raised funds for the Hall.

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	Income for the year was £31,381 comprising £22,543 from regular hires, £6,999 from 'one-off' hires, £670 from fundraising events and £1,168 interest. Expenditure was £28,920, comprising £8,784 for repairs and

		maintenance, £4,386 for new equipment, £7,390 for cleaning, £6,267 for energy, utilities and insurance and £2,092 for sundries. The excess or income over expenditure (£2,461) has been added to reserves.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity's reserves are held to fund future major refurbishment/development of the Hall. The last major refurbishment was carried out in 2017 and was funded from reserves and charitable grants. During 2025, the trustees spent over £4,000 on new equipment for the Hall and expect to continue to expend resources on upgrading and enhancing the facilities at the Hall, which is likely to reduce the reserves.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£56,391
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

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	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		Scheme approved by the Charity Commissioners on 10 November 1994. Provides for the charities known as Willaston Institute and Willaston War Memorial Hut to be administered and managed together as one charity under the title Willaston Memorial Hall.
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable trust/unincorporated 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 trustees	Para 1.25	The trust deed provides for the Committee of Management to comprise four elected members and up to nine appointed by local organisations specified in the trust deed. The Committee of Management may also appoint up to three co-opted members. Vacancies for elected members are publicised in the village. The trustees are appointed/elected annually at the AGM. The trustees have also decided to co-opt a small number of volunteers onto the Committee of Management, although these members do not have the responsibilities or voting rights of trustees.

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	Willaston Memorial Hall
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	520090
Charity's principal address	The Green Willaston Neston CH64 2XR

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	Catherine Jones	Chair		
2	Doreen Francey	Secretary		
3	Lisa Nicholls	Treasurer		
4	Sheena Chalmers			Willaston Girlguiding units
5	Valerie Fisher			Willastonhey WI
6	Jacqueline Jenkins			Willaston Country Market
7	Suzanne Mills		Until 9 September 2025	Hadlow Green Singers
8	Christopher Hampshire		Until 9 September 2025	Friends of Hadlow Road Station
9	Paul T Cox		From 11 November 2025	Friends of Hadlow Road Station
10	Ian Corcoran		Until 11 November 2025 (see below)	Willaston Horticultural Society
11	Ian Corcoran		From 11 November 2025	Co-opted
12	Councillor Myles Hogg		Until 12 November 2025	Co-opted
13	Brian Greenhalgh			Co-opted

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	
Official Custodian for Charities		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

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

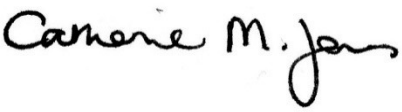
Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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)	Catherine Mary Jones	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	11 September 2026	

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	WILLASTON MEMORIAL HALL		
On accounts for the year ended	31 DECEMBER 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	590090
Set out on pages	3		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.5 Revd.

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.*

Signed: Ken Greenfield **Date:** 26 June 2026

Name: RICHARD EDWARD KEITH GREENFIELD

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): MEMBER OF THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND AND WALES

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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.	

WILLASTON MEMORIAL HALL

Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31/12/25

	2024 (Full Year)	2025 (12 months)	2024 (12 months)	Budget 2025
INCOME				
Lettings Regular	24,720.09	22,543.39	24,720.09	23,188.80
Lettings Casual	5,923.40	6,999.25	5,923.40	6,500.00
Donations	30.00	-	30.00	60.00
Other Revenue	250.00	-	250.00	
Bank Interest - Deposit Account	1,205.68	1,167.98	1,205.68	700.00
Community Events	840.00	670.00	840.00	800.00
	32,969.17	31,380.62	32,969.17	31,248.80
EXPENDITURE				
Repairs & Maintenance	(7,329.06)	(8,784.11)	(7,329.06)	(11,000.00)
Facilities Investment	(9,360.80)	(4,386.00)	(9,360.80)	
Gas	(1,493.63)	(2,103.47)	(1,493.63)	(2,000.00)
Electricity	(1,583.53)	(1,871.99)	(1,583.53)	(2,300.00)
Telephone	(692.35)	(662.90)	(692.35)	(660.00)
Website	(545.00)	(470.00)	(545.00)	(300.00)
Insurance	(1,109.50)	(1,143.63)	(1,109.50)	(1,200.00)
Water	87.09	(485.48)	87.09	(1,000.00)
Cleaning	(7,851.71)	(7,390.06)	(7,851.71)	(7,920.00)
Licences	(1,025.96)	(412.01)	(1,025.96)	(695.00)
Publicity/PR	-	-	-	(150.00)
Rates	-	-	-	-
Event expenses	(677.87)	(160.00)	(677.87)	(100.00)
Office/Sundry Expenses	(656.74)	(1,050.00)	(656.74)	(750.00)
	(32,239.06)	(28,919.65)	(32,239.06)	(28,075.00)
SURPLUS	730.11	2,460.97	730.11	3,173.60

Balance Sheet as at 31/12/25

Co-Op Bank Current Account	5,852.73	2,195.72
Co-Op Bank Current 95 Day Deposit Account	48,227.72	54,395.70
	54,080.45	56,591.42
LESS		
Hall Hire Deposits	(150.00)	(200.00)
	53,930.45	**56,391.42**
Represented by:		
Accumulated Fund brought forward	47,010.34	47,710.45
Accumulated Donation Fund brought forward	6,190.00	6,220.00
Surplus for the year	730.11	2,460.97
Transfer to Donation Fund	(30.00)	-
Accumulated General Fund at 31 December	47,710.45	50,171.42
Accumulated Donation Fund at 31 December	6,220.00	6,220.00
Total Funds at Period End	**53,930.45**	**56,391.42**