Charity registration number: 522610

Bishops Wood Village Hall

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

Bishops Wood Village Hall

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Stuart Playford, Chair (elected) Colin Wolverson, Trustee (co-opted) Will Allcott, Trustee (elected) Tony Sloane, Trustee (co-opted) Bill Oakley, Trustee (co-opted) Kate Mills, Youth Club Representative Mary Cooper, Tuesday Drop-In Club Heather Corfield, PCC Representative Cathryn Chaggar, WI Representative Sarah Ball, (elected, resigned) Dawn Moseley, (elected, resigned) Speed Awareness Represetative, Vacant Rotary Club Representative, Vacant School Representative, Vacant Parish Council Representative, Vacant
Secretary	Ian Tipper, Secretary
Principal Office	Boscobel Lane Bishops Wood Stafford ST19 9FG
Charity Registration Number	522610
Independent Examiner	Daryl Denson ACMA VAST The Dudson Centre Hope Street Stoke on Trent Staffordshire ST1 5DD

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The Trustees' key objective is the provision of a safe, pleasant and well maintained venue for the benefit of the inhabitants of the village and surrounding area. It is provided without discrimination of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race, political or religious opinions.

Objectives, strategies and activities

The hall continues to be used by a wide range of village organisations and regular hirers offering diverse activities. It is also ued by the BWVH Management Committee for fundraising events.

The hall is available for private hire for children's parties, wedding receptions, funeral teas and family celebrations. BWVH holds a premises licence and employs a bar manager with a personal to oversee alcohol sales.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

Popular events such as quiz nights, bingo nights, family friendly fridays and the halloween party with Andy's magic continued to attract strong attendance. An Elvis tribute night was also well supported.

The children's Christmas party was unfortunately cancelled due to a shortage of volunteers. However, the community was invited to the Christmsa Light Switch-On, where pupils from St John's C of E First School performed carols. The New Year's Eve event was well attended, and due to the popularity of the band, the Mad Lads have been rebooked for 2026.

In July 2025, we celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the village hall alongside the annual Scarecrow Festival, both of which were well supported by the community.

A full programme of events is planned for 2026, including Family Friendly Fridays, children's parties, tribute acts, a Digital Race Night, and the Christmas and New Year celebrations.

Hall Maintenance

Routine maintenance and cleaning continue to be essential, icluding floors, toilets, windows and carpets.

Grounda maintenance is carried out by a contractor from March to September, including efforts to manage mole activity. The car park received partial tarmac patching, and thanks are extended to Paul Dunbar for his assistance.

The annual grounds clean-up took place in June/July, and we thank all volunteers who contributed. The decking received futher repairs and will required additional work during the 2026 clean-up period.

Other maintenance undertaken in 2025 included:
• Replacement of two wall lights in the main hall (accidental damage).
• Multiple repairs to the beer cellar system under our agreements with Carlsberg Marston's.
• Installation of a new pressurised hot water system to resolve ongoing air-lock issues.
• Replacement of the leaking dual hot/cold tap in the kitchen and installation of new pusk-activated taps in the toilets.
• Emptying of the septic tank (August 2025), during which pipework issues were identified and resolved, thanks to Bill Oakley and Alistair Diplock.
• Planned lighting repairs, including external floodlights and loft lighting.
• Professional cleaning of carpets and soft furnishings (Feb/March 2026).

The main dance floor has been an ongoing project. A specialist contractor has now been appointed to repair, sand and seal the hardwood flooring from 13th - 16th March 2026.

Future Major Works Requiring Fundraising
• Full replacement of the main roof tiles and weatherproofing.
• Lomg-term installation of solar panels on both west and east facing roofs to reduce electricity costs.

Regular bookings from village organisations continued throughout the year. The Youth Club remains particularly successful, with more than 30 young people attending each fortnightly session.

Since the introduction of the online booking system in 2024, the hall has welcomed an increased number of regular groups, including Karate, Little Land of Play (stay-and-play), Zumba, Yoga and Line Dancing. A community art group is also planned.

Private weekend bookings remain popular, with strong demand throughout 2025 and booking already secured for most of 2026 and into early 2027.

Financial review
The financial results are shown on pages - of this report.

Policy on reserves

Some money is earmarked for specific activities and as a capital fund. General reserves are maintained at a level to enable the village hall to continue to operate through any periods of unforseen reduced income and to carry out ongoing maintenance and repair work.
The free unrestricted funds at the end of the year are £65,373 (2024:£67,293)

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is operated under its governing document dated 7 April 1961.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed at the AGM or are co opted or nominated by village organisations between these meetings, accepted by a majority of the Management trustees at Management Committee meetings. The governing document declares that 5 trustees are elected and up to 3 trustees can be co opted at any one time.

Induction and training of trustees

Trustees are inducted by an explanation of the governing document and by receiving a copy of the document.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 22/4/26 and signed on its behalf by:

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Stuart Playford
Trustee

Bishops Wood Village Hall

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Bishops Wood Village Hall

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Bishops Wood Village Hall for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Bishops Wood Village Hall 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 Bishops Wood Village Hall'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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Bishops Wood Village Hall as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.

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Daryl Denson ACMA

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Date:.....

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	2,390	-	2,390
Charitable activities	3	24,805	-	24,805
Other trading activities	4	34,953	-	34,953
Total Income		62,148	-	62,148
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	5	(28,879)	-	(28,879)
Charitable activities	6	(31,894)	-	(31,894)
Total Expenditure		(60,773)	-	(60,773)
Net movement in funds		1,375	-	1,375
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		220,552	2,138	222,690
Total funds carried forward	18	221,927	2,138	224,065

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	3,916	-	3,916
Charitable activities	3	7,912	-	7,912
Other trading activities	4	26,097	-	26,097
Total Income		37,925	-	37,925
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	5	(17,276)	-	(17,276)
Charitable activities	6	(24,820)	-	(24,820)
Total Expenditure		(42,096)	-	(42,096)
Net movement in funds		(4,171)	-	(4,171)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		224,723	2,138	226,861
Total funds carried forward	18	220,552	2,138	222,690

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for both periods is shown in note 18.

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(Registration number: 522610)
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	13	192,876	193,032
Current assets			
Stocks	14	2,857	2,542
Debtors	15	507	-
Cash at bank and in hand	16	28,360	29,643
		31,724	32,185
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	17	(535)	(2,527)
Net current assets		31,189	29,658
Net assets		224,065	222,690
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	18	2,138	2,138
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		221,927	220,552
Total funds	18	224,065	222,690

The financial statements on pages 6 to 19 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on ..... and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Stuart Playford
Trustee

Bishops Wood Village Hall

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance
The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102) (Second Edition)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation
Bishops Wood Village Hall meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

Going concern
The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments
Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Expenditure
All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Raising funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, the management of investments and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Land and Buildings	nil
Fixtures & fittings	10% on cost
Funiture & equipment	25% reducing balance

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO).

Trade debtors
Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of is established when there is objective evidence that the will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade creditors
Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure
Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £
Donations and legacies;		
Donations from individuals	110	110
Grants, including capital grants;		
Government grants	2,280	2,280
	2,390	2,390

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Donations and legacies;		
Donations from individuals	636	636
Grants, including capital grants;		
Government grants	3,280	3,280
	3,916	3,916

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £
Private functions	6,168	6,168
Village Hall functions	18,637	18,637
	24,805	24,805

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Private functions	7,912	7,912

4 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £
Trading income;		
Sales of goods and services	33,768	33,768
Other trading income	425	425
Local fundraising and street collection income	760	760
	34,953	34,953

	Unrestricted funds		Total 2024 £
	Designated £	General £	
Trading income;			
Sales of goods and services	-	25,270	25,270
Lotteries and competitions income	827	-	827
	827	25,270	26,097

5 Expenditure on raising funds

a) Costs of trading activities

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £
Costs of goods sold		16,571	16,571
Allocated support costs		12,308	12,308
		28,879	28,879

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Costs of goods sold		11,014	11,014
Allocated support costs		6,262	6,262
		17,276	17,276

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Activity undertaken directly £	2025 £
Staff costs	15,786	15,786
Gas & electricity	9,384	9,384
Water, sewerage & refuse	3,778	3,778
Insurance	1,161	1,161
Repairs & maintenance	4,715	4,715
Cleaning & consumables	183	183
Telephone, stationery & postage	825	825
Village Hall functions	4,695	4,695
Other sundry expenditure	1,303	1,303
Independent examination	535	535
Depreciation	156	156
Professional fees and licences	1,681	1,681
	44,202	44,202

	Activity undertaken directly £	Total 2023 £
Staff costs	3,028	3,028
Gas & electricity	8,820	8,820
Water, sewerage & refuse	2,798	2,798
Insurance	1,121	1,121
Repairs & maintenance	3,311	3,311
Cleaning & consumables	339	339
Telephone, stationery & postage	1,141	1,141
Village Hall functions	1,476	1,476
Other sundry expenditure	704	704
Sundry	70	70
Independent examination	510	510
Depreciation	156	156
Professional fees and licences	1,346	1,346
	24,820	24,820

7 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £
Independent examiner fees		
Examination of the financial statements	535	535
	535	535

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Independent examiner fees		
Examination of the financial statements	510	510
	510	510

8 Government grants

During the period the charity received grants from the Brewood and Coven Parish Council of £2,280 (2024 £3,280).
The amount of grants recognised in the financial statements was £2,280 (2024 - £3,280).
There were no unfulfilled conditions
The charity has received no other forms of government assistance

9 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year include:

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation of fixed assets	156	156

10 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

11 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	3,478	3,028

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

12 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2025	188,030	80,115	268,145
At 31 December 2025	188,030	80,115	268,145
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2025	-	75,113	75,113
Charge for the year	-	156	156
At 31 December 2025	-	75,269	75,269
Net book value			
At 31 December 2025	188,030	4,846	192,876
At 31 December 2024	188,030	5,002	193,032

14 Stock

	2025 £	2024 £
Stocks	2,857	2,542

15 Debtors

	2025 £
Other debtors	507

16 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash on hand	-	507
Cash at bank	28,360	29,136
	28,360	29,643

17 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	-	2,017
Accruals	535	510
	535	2,527

18 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2025 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 December 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General					
Management fund	67,293	61,260	(62,925)	(255)	65,373
Designated					
Capital fund	140,835	-	-	-	140,835
Bugle	(255)	-	-	255	-
Brewood Parish Council	-	2,280	-	-	2,280
Neighbourhood Watch	1,452	-	-	-	1,452
Emergency Fund	10,000	-	-	-	10,000
South Staffs Lottery Project	1,227	760	-	-	1,987
	153,259	3,040	-	255	156,554
Total unrestricted funds	220,552	64,300	(62,925)	-	221,927
Restricted funds					
Healthy Living	1,451	-	-	-	1,451
Village Hall Extension	687	-	-	-	687
Total restricted funds	2,138	-	-	-	2,138
Total funds	222,690	64,300	(62,925)	-	224,065

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2025 (continued)

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted funds				
General				
Management fund	71,464	37,925	(42,096)	67,293
Designated				
Capital fund	140,835	-	-	140,835
Bugle	(255)	-	-	(255)
Neighbourhood Watch	1,452	-	-	1,452
Emergency Fund	10,000	-	-	10,000
South Staffs Lottery Project	1,227	-	-	1,227
	153,259	-	-	153,259
Total unrestricted funds	224,723	37,925	(42,096)	220,552
Restricted				
Healthy Living	1,451	-	-	1,451
Village Hall Extension	687	-	-	687
Total restricted funds	2,138	-	-	2,138
Total funds	226,861	37,925	(42,096)	222,690

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

The capital fund is held to cover the cost of capitalised assets and is released to general reserves in line with the depreciation policies applied.

The Bugle fund is to support the running of the Parish Magazine.

The Neighbourhood Watch fund is to facilitate people getting together with their neighbours to take action to reduce crime.

The Emergency Fund is to provide for unforseen eventualities.

The Healthy Living fund is for the promotion of healthy living in the village.

19 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds	Total funds at 31 December 2025
	General	Designated		
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	52,041	140,835	-	192,876
Current assets	29,586	-	2,138	31,724
Current liabilities	(535)	-	-	(535)
Total net assets	81,092	140,835	2,138	224,065

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds	Total funds at 31 December 2024
	General	Designated		
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	52,197	140,835	-	193,032
Current assets	17,623	12,424	2,138	32,185
Current liabilities	(2,527)	-	-	(2,527)
Total net assets	67,293	153,259	2,138	222,690

20 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.