

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date

Period end date

01 04 2022

31 03 2023

From

To

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Alvechurch Village Hall

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

523090

Charity's principal address

10 Bear Hill

Alvechurch

Worcestershire

Postcode

B48 7JX

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	Christopher Davies	Chairman		
2	Janet Brice	Vice-Chair		
3	Judith Yendell	Secretary		
4	Stephen Siddle	Treasurer		
5	Norma Divine			
6	Clare Howe			
7	Patricia Riley			
8	Hazel Watkiss			
9	Annette English			
10	Sheila Evans			
11	Angela Mawdsley			
12	Alan Helmore		01/04/2022- 06/06/2022	
13	Jackie Burch			
14	Stephanie Miall			
15	Michael Crook			
16	Tony Wallis		07/11/2022 - 31/03/2023	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Official Custodian of Charities	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <small>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</small>	Charity Commission Order Sealed 23/01/1979
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg. trust, association, company)</small>	Trust
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</small>	Nominated by user groups and appointed at AGM

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The provision and maintenance of the Village Hall for the use of inhabitants and organisations of the district.

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In undertaking the activities during the year, the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Activities have included raising funds and seeking grants in order to maintain and improve the Village Hall as a venue for organisations within the locality and providing this resource at a low cost so that all inhabitants can benefit.

In normal times the Hall hosts activities for people of all ages, including: art classes; dance; drama; exercise; music; WI; meditation and other community and social gatherings. It is also a popular venue for private parties, charity fundraising events, meetings and other events, all of which have served to place it at the centre of village life. These activities were seriously curtailed during Covid restrictions, but had returned to normal levels in 2022/23.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Empty box for optional information.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The main achievements of the year were the return to a full programme of events at the Village Hall following the lifting of Covid restrictions and the continuation of our programme of improvements to the fabric of the Hall. The latter included the refurbishment of the main kitchen with the replacement of worktops and the installation of a freezer, and the commissioning of a building survey to help us to prioritise the projects in our latest 5-Year plan for improvements.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

As explained last year, with no guarantee of further government support in the event of a further forced closure of the Hall, the Trustees consider it prudent to maintain reserves equivalent to 12 months of current expenditure. With the inflation rate reaching double figures in this period and our commitment to fund further improvements to the Hall, the Trustees now consider it prudent to hold reserves of more than this year's total expenditure of £27,000.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The Trustees are pleased to report that their strategy of encouraging regular users back to the Hall with discounted hire rates following the easing of Covid restrictions was successful, and that the Hall's funding has now returned to its former pattern of predominantly hire charges levied on users of the Hall, supplemented by some fundraising and occasional grant applications for larger scale projects.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Stephen Siddle	C Davies
Full name(s)	STEPHEN SIDDLE	CHRISTOPHER DAVIES
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Chairman

Date 31/10/2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Alvechurch Village Hall	No (if any) 528040
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2022	To	Period end date 31/03/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Letting Fees Received	25,652	-	-	25,652	12,367
Key Deposits Received	20	-	-	20	80
Grants Received	-	1,544	-	1,544	14,465
Donations Received	1,505	477	-	1,982	2,031
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	999
Interest	10	-	-	10	10
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	27,187	2,021	-	29,208	29,943
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	27,187	2,021	-	29,208	29,943
A3 Payments					
Letting Fees Refunded	1,335	-	-	1,335	1,505
Key Deposits Refunded	-	-	-	-	60
Hall Management & Cleaning	15,894	-	-	15,894	14,621
Utilities (Gas, Electricity, Water & WiFi)	3,073	-	-	3,073	3,169
Insurance	1,282	-	-	1,282	1,232
Maintenance	1,494	-	-	1,494	2,490
Refurbishment	2,591	841	-	3,432	4,632
Administration	753	29	-	782	547
Charitable Donation	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	26,422	870	-	27,292	28,256
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	26,422	870	-	27,292	28,256
Net of receipts/(payments)	765	1,151	-	1,916	1,687
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	31,051	841	-	31,892	30,205
Cash funds this year end	31,816	1,992	-	33,808	31,892

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	26,750	1,992	-
	Deposit Account	5,033	-	-
	Petty Cash	33	-	-
	Total cash funds	31,816	1,992	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Rents Due	4,606	-	-
	Prepayments	1,282	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Projector	Unrestricted	500	-
	Laptop Computer	Unrestricted	587	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Rents in Advance	Unrestricted	375	
	Key Deposits	Unrestricted	580	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Stephen Siddle	STEPHEN SIDDLE	06/11/2023
	C Davies	CHRISTOPHER DAVIES	06/11/2023



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/directors/members of

Alvechurch Village Hall

On accounts for the year ended

31 March 2023

Charity no.:

523090

Company no.:

Set out on pages

1-2 above

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

As the charity's trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charity Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act").

I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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:

- 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.

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

08 November 2023

Name:

Gerald Gurriet

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