



ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS

2023-24

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

2023-24 was another successful year for Hartpury Village Hall. The hall continues to be well used, both for regular and one-off events, and this has enabled us to continue investing in our facilities. The hall remains a very popular venue for public and private events, not just for local hirers but also involving groups from the wider area. Our financial situation remains healthy, and we benefit from having a strong team of trustees and volunteers to manage our assets in accordance with our charitable purposes, for the benefit of the local community.

The main village event during the year was the King's coronation, which was celebrated royally by the village, including a very well-attended hog roast and party on the lawn at the rear of the hall. A lot of people worked hard to make this event a success, and the feedback was very positive.

In terms of major expenditure, the biggest project was the replacement of the gravel on the driveway with new tarmac. The gravel around the bend into the carpark had been prone to instability for many years, and although the new surface was expensive we are delighted with the result. We also made a decision to subcontract the hedge-cutting instead of relying on volunteers, recognising that, like many of our volunteers, the hedges have reached a state of maturity at which everything becomes a little harder to manage.

Having had mainly sheep as neighbours for the past ten years, we now have a new housing development close to the front of the hall. It will be interesting in the coming year to see what sort of impact, if any, this has on the attractiveness of the hall as a venue. Hopefully we will all be able to get on with each other and to resolve any issues which may arise.

I would once again like to thank everyone who is involved with the hall, including the trustees and volunteers in the marquee team, the bar team and the grounds maintenance team, the 100+ club collectors and all the people who support our work in lots of unseen ways. Thanks are again due to Margaret and Richard Evans for keeping the facilities clean and tidy, which is a significant factor in our ongoing success.

We have a number of new projects under consideration for the coming year. We are investigating the option of installing solar panels on the lower roof and we will also soon need to replace the main hall lights, which are obsolete and are starting to fail after 11 years of service. Nothing stands still and we need to keep on generating income in order to maintain and develop our facilities, but I am confident that we have the team and the resources in place to continue to do so.

Ken Jollans, May 2024

HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Business Current Account

Opening Balance 01/04/2023 £20290.64

Closing Balance 31/03/2024 £19269.42

The closing balance of the Business Current Account is at a similar level to last year, despite £10,800 spent on the re-tarmacking of the car park and £3,300 transferred to the Flagstone savings platform, to make up the £50,000 minimum investment. The Flagstone investment gives charities access to interest at a higher rate than we would normally have access to. In the previous year the total interest received was only £74, whereas after investing £50,000 in October 2023 we have so far received £1,442 in interest. The financial institutions are covered by the FCA so the funds invested are protected and not at risk.

The committee have continued to prioritise on-going repairs and upgrades to ensure the village hall is maintained to the highest standard.

Most hirers are now paying their invoices by BACS, we are still taking cash/cheques from those unable to pay by that method. The Hallmaster booking system continues to work well.

My thanks to Peter Antill for auditing the accounts again this year.

Deborah Siddle, Village Hall Treasurer May 2024

100+ CLUB REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

The 100+ Club has had another successful year. We maintained the same level of income and surplus as the previous year despite a small fall in membership numbers. From the total income of £1,230 from 122 members (including a late payment of £10 carried over from the previous year) we set aside £605 in prize money, leaving a surplus of £625.

A cash float of £425 is maintained to cover the prize money for the rest of the financial year (which runs to the end of September).

Thanks to Beverley, Caroline, Lynda, Sheila and Trish for helping to make this another successful year for the 100+ club. We will be out and about again in September and October collecting subscriptions and hopefully recruiting more new members. We will again be offering members the opportunity to pay by bank transfer, direct into the Village Hall account.

The annual financial summary for the 100+ club is shown below.

Sandra Jollans, May 2024

OPENING BALANCE	CASH PRIZES APRIL-SEPTEMBER	£425
INCOME:	SUBSCRIPTIONS (122 members)	£1,230
EXPENDITURE:	MONTHLY PRIZES (11 x £30)	-£330
	SEPTEMBER BIG DRAW	-£275
	TRANSFER TO VILLAGE HALL	-£625
CLOSING BALANCE	CASH PRIZES APRIL-SEPTEMBER	£425

COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2023-24

Chair:	Ken Jollans (Elected)
Secretary	Terry Flemons (Elected)
Treasurer	Deborah Siddle (Friends of Hartpury School)
Bookings Secretary	Susan Knox (Co-opted)
Other Elected Members	Victor Smith, Sheila Trail, David Zeal
Other Representative Members	Pauline Drury (Parochial Church Council)
	Sylvia Gibbs (Line Dancing)
	Susan Gregory (Health Walks)
	Ronald Felgate (Hartpury Drama Group)
	Alastair McGhee (Parish Council)*
	Lynda Page (W.I.)
Other Co-Opted Members	Angela Adey, Bobbie Heaven

*Resigned Feb 2024

HARTPURY VILLAGE HALL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2024

INCOME	2022-23	2023-24
	£	£
<u>Hire of Hall</u>		
Alexander Technique	818.95	516.25
Badminton	740.00	990.00
Balance Classes	285.00	388.75
Bowls	830.92	936.00
Drama Group	1174.50	1415.74
Election	0.00	337.50
Fitness Class	438.00	558.75
Health Walks	420.75	577.46
Leadon Choir	79.00	119.25
Line Dancing	1014.75	1000.00
Parish Council	250.00	579.38
Pilates	571.50	668.00
Private		
Parties/Events	10208.19	11305.31
Produce Market	462.00	360.00
SupaStrikers	513.00	661.81
Weddings	1456.00	550.00
WI	360.50	500.13
Yoga	1711.50	1585.83
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	21334.56	23050.16
Donations and Grants	1795.50	641.00
Bar Income	6309.94	7242.83
100 Club'	625.00	635.00
Marquee Hire	1736.00	1720.00
Concerts and Theatre	130.00	0.00
Village Events	1134.51	790.00
Investment Income	74.08	1442.64
Other Income	145.14	0
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	33284.73	35521.63
 EXPENDITURE		
Hall & Grounds - Cleaning	2533.65	2889.86
Hall & Grounds - Improvements	18832.56	14823.34
Hall & Grounds - Garden maint.	520.33	2443.60
Equipment	4311.17	219.93
Licences/Subs/Taxes	712.96	525.11
Insurance	1282.36	1338.74
Electricity	3172.67	3642.02
Telecom	262.00	322.20
Water	335.58	362.88
Bar Purchases	3138.25	3529.09
Other	2110.44	1807.52
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	37211.97	31904.29
 Surplus/-Deficit	 -3927.24	 3617.34


MONETARY ASSETS

NS Investment Account	28268.79	358.78
Santander Account	18883.72	277.74
Bank Current Account	20290.64	19269.42
100 Club'	425.00	425.00
Cash in Hand	0	0
Bar Stock/Float	1191.89	1134.70
Flagstone Investments	0	51211.74
	<u>69060.04</u>	<u>72677.38</u>

SIGNATORIES



DEBORAH SIDDLE
TREASURER



PETER ANTILL
EXAMINER