BECKLEY VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity no 305168

Trustees' Annual Report & Accounts

for the year ended 31 March 2026

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2026

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the above period.
The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (FRS102)

Administrative Information

Trustees who served during the year

Elected -

Mrs T Langmead	Chairman
Mrs J Brain	
Mrs L Dobson	Secretary
Mr N Chillingworth	
Mrs S. Batehup	

Representatve -

Miss S Bloomfield	Beckley Preschool
Mrs G Brooks	Beckley Guide Group
Mrs N Vadorin	Beckley Parish Council
Mrs M Goddard	Beckley Women's Institute
Mrs P Lamplugh	Beckley Players

Address: The Orchards, Main Street, Beckley, Rye TN31 6RR
Other Officers (not Trustees): Treasurer Zoe Gleisner
Registered charity number: 305168
Independent Examiner: M Howse, The Bartletts, Main Street, Beckley TN31 6RR
Bankers: Barclays Bank plc, `

Objects and Activities

The object of the Trust is to maintain Beckley Village Centre for the benefit of the inhabitants of Beckley. The Management Committee (the Trustees) aims to provide first class facilities at affordable cost to voluntary organisations serving the community.

Public benefit

When planning the charity's activities the Trustees pay due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure Governance and Management

Governing Document

The charity is governed by trust deed dated 1 April 1960.

Appointment of Trustees

5 elected trustees are appointed annually at the Annual General Meeting.
Of the original and subsequent Beckley organisations entitled to appoint representatives 5 appoint, 12 either no longer exist or have been suceeded by other groups.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are provided with information on structure and recent financial performance and are encouraged to consult with the Officers to facilitate the undertaking of their role.

Organisation

The Trustees meet as the Village Centre Management Committee four times a year. Day-to-day management is in the hands of the officers. The Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring the charity has appropriate systems of control, financial and otherwise. They include:

- an annual budget approved by the Trustees

- regular consideration by the Trustees of financial results
- a programme for regular maintenance work

Achievements and Performance

During the year, Beckley Village Centre had 523 room bookings (542 in 2025).
Trustee, Nick Chillingworth continues to manage maintenance and has undertaken redecoration of the main areas of the Centre.
Grants from The Sussex Community Fund, The Platinum Jubilee Fund and the Parish Council meant that batteries and a gateway system could be installed to further save energy.
The Hall also received a National Lottery Grant that will be used to upgrade its lavatories in the next financial year.
Lisa Baker, our cleaner, keeps the Centre in good order which is appreciated by the trustees and the users of the Village Centre.

Volunteers

The Farmers' Market, run by trustee Natasha Vadorin continues to grow. It contributes over £2,000 per annum to the Hall's income. Natasha also manages the hall's bookings and actively promotes the venue and its facilities to potential users.

Financial Review

The attached accounts show an overall surplus of £32,602 (2024 £4,224). This large surplus Includes grants of £34,978 from the institutions noted above. Without these grants and the associated spend (£3,487), the hall would be reporting a surplus of just £1,111.
The Trustees are grateful for the donations and grants supporting the work of the charity throughout the year. The Road Race, now in its 26th year, continues to be sponsored by M & S Electrical (UK) Ltd. and Tricia Lamplugh's Jumble Sale raised almost £1,000.

Reserves Policy

The policy of the charity is to maintain sufficient reserves on current account to cover day-to-day costs and build up deposit funds to provide for recurring non-annual maintenance work.

Investment Powers and Policy

The Trust Deed authorises the trustees to invest general funds of the charity not required for working purposes. The trustees having regard to the cash-flow of the charity keep available funds in interest-bearing accounts.

Future Plans

Beckley Preschool now occupies the main hall 5 days a week making it the hall's largest customer. With the installation of solar batteries we will see a significant reduction in electricity costs. Fund raising is still required as rental income only covers just over half of the hall's costs.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

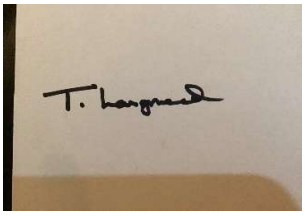
The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom

Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).
These financial statements are required to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources for each year.
In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

(a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
(b) observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP
(c) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent:
(d) statement whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statments
(e) prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements of the charity comply with Charity Commission guidance. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:



TINA LANGMEAD
Chairman
Date:

Report to the Trustees
by the Independent Examiner of Beckley Village Hall Trust
on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026

I report on the unaudited accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026 set out on pages 5-12
As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply and that an independent examination is needed:
It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

In connection with my examination, no matters has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act have not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Independent Examiner
The Bartletts
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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2026	Total 2025
		£	£	£	£	£
Income						
Donations & Grants	2	2,910	-	34,978	**37,888**	6,738
Charitable activities	3	17,370	-	-	**17,370**	16,132
Fund-raising activities	4	3,797	-	-	**3,797**	3,683
Interest		274	-	-	**274**	288
Other income		-			**0**	-
Total income		24,351	0	34,978	**59,329**	26,841
Expenditure						
Raising Funds					**0**	57
Charitable activities	5	16,845	6,395	3,487	**26,727**	22,560
Total expenditure		16,845	6,395	3,487	26,727	22,617
Net Income		7,506	-6,395	31,491	**32,602**	4,224
Net transfers between funds Prior Year Adj	19	-29,890	2,293	27,597	**0**	0
Net transfers between funds Current year		-10,000	10,000		**0**	0
Net Income and net movement on funds for the year		-32,384	5,898	59,088	**32,602**	4,224
Total funds brought forward		43,734	6,632	330,128	**380,494**	376,270
Total funds carried forward		11,350	12,530	389,216	**413,096**	380,494

Continuing Operations

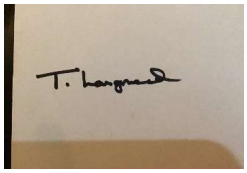
All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.
The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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Balance Sheet at 31 March 2026

	Note		2026		2025
			£		£
Fixed Assets	11				
Restricted		366,312		357,725	
Designated		613		0	
			366,925		357,725
Current Assets					
Stock		-		105	
Debtors and prepayments	9	2,869		5,707	
Cash at bank and in hand	14	53,236		18,871	
		56,105		24,683	
Creditors	10	9,934		1,914	
Net current assets			46,171		22,769
			413,096		380,494
Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted funds		11,350		45,845	
Designated funds		12,530		4,471	
Total unrestricted funds			23,880		50,316
Restricted funds	18		389,216		330,178
			413,096		380,494

The financial statements on pages 5 to 11 were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by



TINA LANGMEAD
Chairman

BECKLEY VILLAGE HALL TRUST

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026

1 **Accounting policies**

a. Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost in . accordance with:

- Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities
- and with Accounting Standards
- and with the Charities Act

b. Recognition of incoming resources

Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following criteria are met:

- The charity has entitlement to the funds
- any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity;
- there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable
- the amount can be measured reliably.

c. Recognition of expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or contructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under the following activty heading:

- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of running Beckley Village Centre and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.
- Expenditure on fund-raising activities includes associated support costs.

d. Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included when the chairty has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

e. Tax reclaims on donations a `

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the accounts at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

f. Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

g. Investment income

This is included in the accounts when received

h. Fixed assets

Individual, tangible fixed assets costing more than £500 are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided on fixed assets at rates calculated to write off costs over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Freehold land	nil
Building Fund - Property improvements	nil
General Fund Furniture and equipment	25% reducing balance basis
General Fund improvements	5% reducing balance basis

i. Stocks

Stock for resale is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

j. VAT

The charity is not registered for VAT. All items in these accounts include attributable VAT.

k. Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include administrative, finance and governance costs which support the Charity's activities.

l. Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

m. Doubtful Debts

Trade Debtors are assessed for impairment at each balance sheet date and an impairment loss/provision is made if the expected amount is less than the carrying amount.

n.. Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due can be measured or estimated reliably.

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		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	
2	**Donations and Grants**	**2026**	**2026**	**2026**	**2026**	**2025**
	Beckley Parish Council			2,000	2,000	-
	Platinum Jubilee Fund			2,766	2,766	
	Sussex Community Fund			6,913	6,913	
	Individuals including covenants, gift aid and tax refunds	2,910			2,910	687
	Village Groups				0	50
	Beckley Fund			2,000	2,000	0
	RDC Village Halls Energy Project				0	5,904
	National Lottery			19,999	19,999	
	Other donations			1,300	1,300	97
		2,910	0	34,978	37,888	6,738
3	**Income from charitable activities**					
	Hire charges	13,289			13,289	12,124
	Licences and rents	0			0	425
	Diamond Diva events	2,000			2,000	1,500
	Farmers' Market	2,081			2,081	2,083
		17,370	0	0	17,370	16,132
4	**Fundraising activities**					
	Rother Lottery	1,196			1,196	1,027
	Jumble Sale	963			963	733
	Road Race	1,638			1,638	1,923
		3,797	0	0	3,797	3,683
5	**Charitable activity expenses** `					
	Caretaking and keyholder	3,900			3,900	4,613
	Light and heat	4,239			4,239	5,697
	Rates and water	2,144			2,144	2,041
	Communications	1,011			1,011	885
	Insurance	1,612			1,612	1,556
	Marketing	1,000			1,000	0
	Licences and certificates	273			273	88
	Maintenance and repairs (see note 13)	2,646	6,190		8,836	5,303
	CCTV	20		200	220	0
	Farmers Market signage	0		1,100	1,100	0
	Kitchen Project Equipment	0			0	102
	Postage, stationery and sundry expenses	0			0	164
	Depreciation		205	2,187	2,392	2,111
		16,845	6,395	3,487	26,727	22,560

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026

6 **Charitable activity expenses capitalised (see Note 11)**	Unrestricted Funds 2026	Designated Funds 2026	Restricted Funds 2026	Total 2026	2025
Solar panels				**0**	11,808
Batteries and Gateway			12,876	**12,876**	0
Sound system		684		**684**	0
	0	684	12,876	**13,560**	11,808

7 Governance costs

Governance costs of £0 (2025 £8), consisting of postage and stationery etc, are included in . charitable activity expenses at note 5.

8 Trustees' expenses

No trustees were paid expenses during the year.

9 Debtors and prepayments	2026	2025
Trade/Charitable Activity	2,714	4,259
Other	-	454
Prepayments and accrued income	155	994
	2,869	5,707

10 Creditors and accruals	2026	2025
Advance hirings	883	225
Accruals	9,051	1,689
	9,934	1,914

11 Fixed Assets

	Restricted Freehold land & buildings	Restricte Fixture s, fittings and	Designated Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Designated Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
Depreciation rate	0%	5%	25%	NA	
Cost at 1.4.25	374,161	49,881	4,447	8,234	436,723
Change in value of prior year addition		-1,968			-1,968
Additions in year		12,876	684		13,560
	374,161	60,789	5,131	8,234	448,315
Depreciation at 1.4.25	55,841	10,610	4,313	8,234	78,998
charge for year		2,187	205		2,392
	55,841	12,797	4,518	8,234	81,390
Net book value at 1.4.25	318,320	39,271	134	0	357,725
Net book value at 31.3.26	318,320	47,992	613	0	366,925
Restricted	**366,312**		**Designated**	**613**	

12 Freehold land & buildings

In 1999, grant providers, National Lottery, imposed a restriction on sale of the property for 80 years without their permission. With effect from 31 March 2009, the Trustees no longer considered it appropriate to provide against this liability. The Building Fund represents the net book value of Freehold Property extension and Improvements.completed in 1999 and since. The freehold land and buildings acquired prior to 1 April 1998 have never been included in previous accounts as assets of the charity.

For insurance purposes the entire premises are valued at £2,048,420. Significant costs would be incurred to obtain a professional valuation complared with the benefit thereof

		2026	2025
13	**Designated Fund costs in year**		
	Boiler servicing & repairs	1,777	-
	Bridge Repairs	1,600	665
	Tree maintenance	1,140	-
	Redecoration	1,673	1,807
	Depreciation	205	-
		6,395	2,472

		2026	2025
14	**Cash at Bank and in Hand**		
	Account balances at 31.3.2026 were:		
	Barclays Bank Business Savings Account	48,394	17,120
	Barclays Bank Current Account	4,600	1,703
	Cash	242	48
		53,236	18,871

15 **Related Parties**

No payments or benefits accrued to any related party during the year.

16 **Investments Income**

All of the charity's investment income arises from money held on interest bearing deposit accounts.

17 **Employees**

The charity has one part-time employee.

18 **Analysis of net assets between funds**

	Unrestricted Funds	Designa Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
At 31.3.26				
Fixed Assets		613	366,312	366,925
Current Assets	11,350	#####	22,904	46,171
	11,350	#####	389,216	413,096

19 **Prior year adjustment to SOFA**

The prior year adjustment to the Statement of Funds Account relates to the depreciation accumulated on restricted fixed assets - primarily the kitchen refurbishment
This asset is classified as restricted in that it cannot be sold, therefore any depreciation associated with it should also be restricted.