

**SWANLAND VILLAGE HALL
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
THURSDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2018**

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I have pleasure in presenting my report for the year ending 31 December 2017.

The year 2017

I am pleased to report that once again the hall has had a successful year. Bookings have continued at a high level from long term users, and "one off" hirers many of which are private functions. Users are from Swanland and from other parts of the East Riding and Hull. We have continued to maintain the facilities to the highest standards to provide an attractive venue for our users. An extensive redecoration was carried out during the year and a total of £13,245 (cf. 2016: £4703) was spent on maintenance of the building and its equipment.

We have had a number of weddings during the year and have reviewed the costings and the security we provide for such events. There have been a number of enquiries for future weddings and we hope to build on this area of activity.

The finances of the hall continue to be satisfactory. Total incoming resources were £46,459 (cf 2016: £41,947). Total resources expended were £46,654 (cf 2016: £37,878). The incoming resources were less than resources expended by £195 (cf 2016: excess of resources expended over incoming resources of £4,069). This was due to utilising some of the restricted reserves. Unrestricted reserves exceeded resources expended by £1,130.

The Trustees' policy on reserves is that monetary reserves shall be maintained equivalent to 6 months average routine expenditure. At the financial year-end cash balances amounted to £61,408 (2016: £58,670) which significantly exceeded the amount required by the policy.

Board of Trustees

During the year and since the year end there have been a number of changes to the board of Trustees.

Terry Phillips	appointed 1 May 2017
Neil Bowerman	appointed 29 June 2017
Pauline Calam	appointed 29 June 2017
Andrew Dibnah	appointed 29 June 2017
Andrew Dibnah	resigned 25 September 2017
Godfrey Burley	resigned 25 September 2017
Margaret Corless	appointed 25 September 2017
Pauline Calam	resigned 22 February 2018

Sheila Ireland became Chair, 25 September 2017
Terry Phillips became Booking Secretary 1 May 2017
Margaret Corless became Treasurer 1 May 2018

Working Parties

During the year we have continued to hold regular working parties at which Trustees and other volunteers carry out care and maintenance jobs on the Hall. We are very grateful to Trustees and volunteers for the invaluable work they do to keep the hall in its pristine condition. We would welcome any further help from volunteers on these occasions.

The Future

We are fortunate in having an extremely committed team of Trustees and staff who work constantly for the good of the Village Hall and the residents of Swanland.

The Trustees will continue to manage the Village Hall for the benefit of all inhabitants of Swanland. We are always keen to welcome new Trustees and would be delighted to hear from anyone who would be interested in becoming a Trustee.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all trustees and staff for their continued support to me since becoming chair and to hirers for continuing to provide a variety of activities which contribute to the social welfare of all Swanland residents.

Sheila Ireland
25 September 2018