Moulton Village Hall

Report for The Annual Parish Meeting

19th May, 2025

The Village Hall accounting period runs from, 1st July to 30th June.

For the year ending 30th June 2024, our income was £31,023.

Block bookings were on a par with the previous year while individual bookings were up by 15%.

Moulton Parish Council very kindly gave us a grant of £2600 towards our operating expenses, for which we are very thankful.

Our solar panels generated a feed-in-tariff payment of £2209, much the same as last year and our investments earned £971 in interest.

We received donations of £1460 and made another £720 from fund-raising activities.

Our operating expenses were £32.858.

Cleaning expenses and insurance were both up a little compared to the previous year.

Our utility bill was up by about £1200. We used more energy in November and December due to very cold weather and we used more energy in February due to problems with the hot water system.

Maintenance and repair costs were down by about £800.

Improvements at £1807 is the cost of the materials for the new garden fencing at the front of the hall.

Management fees were up because we are now paying a service fee for the General Manager for a full year.

We have paid out £873 for Fun Day expenses and £447 for sundry items, including refreshments and the purchase of two card payment terminals.

This left us with a net loss of £1834, which is a satisfactory result given our expenses on improvements.

Looking to the balance sheet, we had £11,582 in our Co-operative Bank current account, £15.690 in our Yorkshire Building Society savings account and £21,910 invested in bonds. We had £600 in advance payments for bookings in the next financial period which is shown as trade creditors in the balance sheet.

The hall continues to host our regular groups: Preschool, Moulton Minis, Scouts, Cubs and Beavers, Bridge club, Badminton club, Moulton Luncheon club, Pilates classes, Yoga classes and Panthers football. Carpet Bowls made a welcome return on Friday evenings and is proving to be very popular regular gathering.

The hall also remains a popular location for children's parties and other family celebrations at weekends and now hosts a Craft Fair and Farmers market every six weeks.

The Committee hosted a Christmas drop-in December 2024 with Santa in attendance to give presents to some very well-behaved younger members of the village community.

Moulton Amateur Dramatics group once again used the hall for rehearsals and put on a spectacular show "The Moulton Shop of Horrors" for the village in February 2024. All four performances were very well attended and resulted in a £1000 donation to the hall

The Management Committee took the lead in organising the village Fun Day in July 2024. Despite poor weather, the event was well attended and generated funds which were distributed to various groups within the community, including the village hall.

As ever, we are facing increases in our costs; but because the hall is operating at close to full capacity, we are able to maintain our hire charges at affordable rates.

Jerry Goodwin Treasurer, Moulton Village Hall