

**STAMFORDHAM PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL**  
**(Charity Number 502613)**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2020**

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### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2020**

#### **Life President**

G Smith  
Bill Telfer

#### **Trustees and Committee Members**

C. Hancock	Acting Chairman and St Mary's Church
A. Dias	Vice Chairman
S. Noble	Secretary
E. Trevelyan	Treasurer and Widdrington Trust
G. Blissett	Assistant Treasurer
L. Boylan	Stamfordham Women's Institute
D. Bushby	Stamfordham Parish Council
S. Goodfellow	Mothers and Toddlers
I. Harkness	Stamfordham Cricket Club
R. Hunter	Stamfordham Football Club
P. Nichols	Uniting Church
S. Parker	Crafty Reivers
P. Reynolds	Stamfordham Carpet Bowls Club
R. Gledson	Co-opted
S. Hutt	Co-opted

#### **Bankers**

Lloyds Bank PLC, Blackheath, London, BX1 1LT  
National Westminster Bank Plc, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 1ET  
Virgin Money PLC, Jubilee House Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 4PL

#### **Auditor**

IR Clements FCA, Jesmond, Newcastle upon Tyne NE2 4JR

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www.stamfordhamvillagehall.co.uk

Charity Registration No. 502613

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2020**

### **Aims and Organisation**

The Charity is regulated by a scheme dated 2<sup>nd</sup>. November, 1983, and sealed by the Charity Commission for England and Wales. The objective of the Trust is the provision and maintenance of a Playing Field and Village Hall for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Stamfordham and its neighbourhood.

### **Trustees**

Details of the Trustees are shown in the Administrative details on page 2.

### **Review of the Year and Activities**

The Committee met on five occasions during the full financial year and dealt with the ongoing management of the Village Hall and Playing Field. The AGM was held on 25 July 2019 attended by 9 Trustees and 4 members of the public.

Any urgent business was dealt with by the sub-committee which consists of the Chairman, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Secretary.

Fees were reviewed by the Fees Sub Committee in May 2019 for implementation on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019.

The Governance Sub Committee met in August and subsequently all three properties owned by the Stamfordham Playing Field & Village Hall charity are now registered at The Land Registry and all three titles are held by The Official Custodian for Charities.

The Hall continued to be used by a variety of local clubs, organisations and private individuals.

During the year a Pop-Up Cafe was introduced on Thursday afternoons and produced an income of £1,930.55.

The main project for the year was the refurbishment of the MUGA court. The new fencing cost £14,664.68, CCTV installation £1,763.76 and lighting £3,487.78. Reinstating the coping stones around the MUGA is to be completed. This project was funded by a Leader grant of £11,731.72 this year, a £1000 from St James Place and a Northumberland County Council grant of £8,000.00 the previous year.

The other significant project was the much needed re-pointing of the East and West gable ends which was carried out at a cost of £7,100.

The committee was successful in bidding for a National Lottery Community Grant of £27,000 for the refurbishment of the main hall toilets. This money will be available sometime in April.

The committee was also successful in bidding for £7,500 from the Sir James Knott Trust to replace the central heating boiler and install programmers that can be remotely controlled. This money will show in next year's accounts.

## **STAMFORDHAM PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2020 (continued)**

#### **Financial**

Receipts from Dances and Functions were £3,549 compared to £2,210. Donations and Fundraising receipts were £12,150 compared to £5,652 including £1,270 from the proceeds of refreshments sold during the Cyclone event held in the village and donations of £1,000 each from St. James Place, Young Farmers and the Rowbotham Trust. Stamfordham Village Fayre proceeds contributed £1,263.

Payments amounted to £38,971 compared to £30,558 for the previous year. The payments included an amount of £20,041 for the MUGA refurbishment and £7,100 for re pointing.

There was a surplus for the year of £2,616 compared to a deficit of £3,211 for the previous year.

At the year-end there were bank balances of £25,940. There are outstanding loans of £4,000 repayable by 31 December 2023. £2,000 has been set aside for essential roof repairs and £3,000 for 3 replacement windows in the West Room.

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak towards the end of the financial year, activities at the village hall and playing field were curtailed. This will undoubtedly have a serious effect on our financial situation in the coming year.

#### **Playing Field**

The field continues to be used by Stamfordham football team in the winter and by Stamfordham cricket team in the summer.

The field and pavilion has also been hired out for a wedding event and several children's parties.

A special word of thanks must go to Ian Harkness, Jack Scholfield and other members of the Cricket Club, for keeping the playing field in excellent condition. They spend a good deal of time cutting and rolling the grass and have not asked for any payment for this work. Thanks also to Ian Donkin for putting in a path from the car park to the pavilion.

Stamfordham Football Club has used the playing field and pavilion until the closure due to the coronavirus outbreak. They have helped with maintenance, painting the goalposts and taping off the cricket square to keep everyone off.

#### **Summary**

The Hall continues to be well supported by a core of enthusiasts who work hard to maintain this valuable community asset. One or two have been mentioned individually here, but the Committee's thanks go to all who have had some input, whether as a Trustee or as a hall user.

C Hancock  
Acting Chairman  
27 April 2020

E Trevelyan  
Treasurer