

## **Binton Village Hall Committee Annual Report 2023-2024**

### **Committee Members:**

Laura Hamilton (Chair) Alexander Finch (Vice Chair), Diana Scott, Susan Joyce, Lizzie Bentley, and Victoria Roberts.

### **Introduction**

The pop-up café, on the second Saturday of each month, has been going from strength to strength and is well attended by villagers and people from further afield. The pop-up shop has been used by local residents to sell craftwork, produce and homemade goods (e.g. crochet, honey, paintings, cards, and edible goods 10% of takings are taken by the pop up). In the spring and summer there was a 'seedling swap' and a 'crop swap.'

A number of volunteers have assisted with the pop up during the year - by baking cakes, helping to set up, serving food and drinks and washing up. Lots of contacts have been made between resident of the village and there is a real camaraderie and enthusiasm to be involved. New groups have been formed as a result of these relationships – e.g. a Binton walking group.

In December, the committee decided to hold a pop-up event where all food and drink was free to celebrate Christmas and thank Binton residents for their support during the year.

The Committee also decided to finance and organise a 'Binton in Bloom' project. Committee members and residents planted daffodil bulbs and bedding plants at the entrances to the village and on the village green. This initiative is to be continued.

On Mothers' Day visitors to the pop up were given 'seed bombs' to further promote the 'Binton in Bloom' initiative. Laura continued to organise and run the hall hire during the year.

In conjunction with St Peter's church there was a Coronation tea party which raised funds to plant three commemorative trees in the churchyard. Further activities in conjunction with the PCC (e.g. harvest festival and summer fete) are under discussion.

### **Summary Accounts:**

Income: £6352.31, Outgoings: £3035.19 Closing Balance: **£7032.67**

The detailed accounts are attached below.

### **Room Hire**

Income £2775

### **Regular bookings**

*Monday:* Pilates (am) / Yoga (pm)

*Tuesday:* 11+ tuition (pm)

*Thursday:* Yoga (am and pm)

*2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays:* Pop up café and shop for local produce

### One off hire

Magic shows, birthday parties, Christenings, wreath making workshop (there are plans for further floristry workshops going forwards), art exhibitions (plans have been discussed for regular art exhibitions) elections and local councillor surgery.

### **Maintenance:**

All electrics have been checked and verified.

Down heaters reinstalled.

The roof has been repaired (some damage caused on hall ceiling by leak)

Fire door in kitchen has been repaired.

A smart meter has been installed.

### **Future Plans:**

The ceiling will have to be redecorated because of the roof leak. The committee will investigate improving insulation and adding secondary glazing to improve energy efficiency and reduce heating bills.

A portable ramp – to improve disabled access is going to be costed. The possibility of adapting a WC for disabled access is being explored.

**FY23/24**

	2024		2023	
<u>Income</u>				
Parking	£	210.00	£	100.00
Room hire	£	2775.00	£	3,197.50
Donation	£	400.00	£	494.45
Pop-up shop	£	2945.18	£	2,590.78
Events			£	2,603.04
Grant			£	880.00
Sales items			£	131.24
Amazon		£22.13		
<b>Total income</b>		<b>£ 6352.31</b>		<b>£ 9,997.01</b>
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Water	£	278.81	£	255.38
Electric	£	1107.38	£	1,329.73
Pop-up shop expenses	£	829.33	£	943.28
Property repairs	£	755.88	£	4,612.95
Council tax	£	45.18	£	85.76
Donation to Church			£	300.00
Misc.			£	81.00
Event expenses			£	852.41
Equipment	£	18.61	£	526.71
Beta Fire				
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>£ 3035.19</b>		<b>£ 8,987.22</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		<b>£ 3317.12</b>		<b>£ 1,009.79</b>
<b>Bank O/Balance</b>		<b>£ 3715.55</b>		<b>£ 2,705.76</b>
<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>		<b>£ 3317.12</b>		<b>£ 1009.79</b>
<b>Less Transfer for petty cash</b>				
<b>Total Closing Balance</b>		<b>£ 7032.67</b>		<b>£ 3715.55</b>