

MARHAMCHURCH VILLAGE HALL TRUST
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023

Chairman's Report for the year 2022

We are now in the fourteenth year of our 35 year lease which began on 1st January 2009

2022 was another busy year in the life of the Village Hall Trust managing and maintaining this 110 year old building which has a grade 2 listed building status.

The Village Hall continued to accommodate various social community activities mainly focussed on physical and mental health wellbeing and covering a wide age range. In addition the Hall either hosted or housed events covering Marhamchurch Food Fair, Revel Cream Teas, Quiz Nights, Church Lent and Harvest Lunches, and Coffee Morning

Towards the end of the year Marhamchurch Pantomime rehearsals were held in the Hall resulting in highly successful well-attended performances of 'Treasure Island' All who directed, produced or took part are to be congratulated

The Post Office has an Out-Reach service in the Hall Entrance for a period between 1.00 pm and 4.00 pm every Monday. This service is frustratingly interrupted by loss of signal to the equipment on occasions.

Early 2022 the Treasurer of the Marhamchurch Snooker Club informed the Village Hall Trust that due to loss of income over a period of time the Snooker Club had become insolvent and was in debt to the Village Hall Trust. This left the Village Hall Trust with a financial problem. Despite previous attempt by the Village Hall Trust to encourage an increase in membership this had no effect

~~and~~ this lack of interest in the Snooker Room urged the Hall Trust to look into using the Room for a wider community purpose. The alternative was the re-establishment of a new Snooker Club with ~~an~~ a recognisable constitution and sound financial base. The Room is currently undergoing repairs and improvements.

Peter Jones