

ASH VICTORIA HALL COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24

Victoria Hall Management Committee

At the AGM Dave Brown was re-elected as Chairman and Booking Secretary, Ian Chant has now stood down and retired. It was agreed that Brian Everitt will be the new Treasurer and Susan Bowles elected as Secretary. Mick Hills will continue as the Halls Maintenance Person. Paul Golding who is the Technical Adviser, and has now become a Local Parish Councillor will continue in the technical realm but will also act as the Parish Council committee representative. There are four other members on the Committee.

It was agreed that there would be no increase in charges for the forthcoming year.

The Hall continues its established very strong place in the community. Dave Brown and the hall's charity events has raised around £9500 for charity in 2023. Dave set a goal of £10,000 again and to date has already raised £2000.

The Hall has in the past year had the roof repaired and lead flashing replaced. There was a full repointing and restoration of the frontage bricks and mortar. The clock mechanism had to have specialist repair due to excessively worn parts. The clock now keeps time on all 3 faces correctly.

Income from booking's is still very strong. the Hall is fully booked with some ADHOC booking's being turned away. The bank balance is reasonably healthy at £27,000. This is particularly healthy given the age and use of the building and the numerous repairs and upgrades that were needed.

Councillor Paul Golding
Ash Parish Council Representative