



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1	Month 9	Year 2015		Day 31	Month 8	Year 2016

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

c/o Mrs R Rodwell	
Lamyatt Lodge, Lamyatt	
Shepton Mallet, Somerset	
Postcode	BA4 6NP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs Sylvia Anderson	Chairman		
2	Mrs Simone Ash			
3	Ian Deane			PCC Rep
4	Anthony Fooks			Parish Meeting Rep
5	Mrs Pat Horler			
6	Mrs Victoria Lang	Secretary		
7	Mrs Mary Clare Rodwell			
8	Ms Helen Rutter			Supper Club Rep
9	Mrs Anthea Skinner			PCC Rep
10	Nick Smallwood			Supper Club Rep
11	Mrs Hannah Stacey			
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13	(Gordon McCarthy	Treasurer		Not a Trustee)
14	(Mrs Kathy McCarthy	Treasurer		Not a Trustee)
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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust Deed
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Election

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The property shall be held upon trust for the purposes of a village Hall for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Lamyatt without distinction or political religious or other opinions including use for meetings lectures and classes and for other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

In accordance with the Charities Act 2008, all trustees have been given the guidance on public benefit issues by the Charity Commission and these have guided the work of the Village Hall Trust.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Committee are very delighted to report that following completion of building works to extend and modernise the Village Hall, and receipt of all necessary certificates, they are now looking forward to welcoming the village residents to a lively programme of forthcoming events and activities scheduled to take place from the beginning of September.

During the last year a number of functions were organised, or contributed to, by the Village Hall Management Committee for the benefit of the village. Work on the extension to the Village Hall took place throughout most of the year and we were therefore unable to do all the activities that usually take place in the hall. Where possible events were moved to alternative venues. Next year, with the new improved hall we will be able to host all the usual functions, as well as extra new events and classes.

18th October was **Apple day** in Lamyatt and a fun afternoon was had by many of the villagers and friends picking apples from the Ern's orchard to fill sacks to make our Bullbeggar Cider for this year.

On 22nd October Mary Clare organised a very interesting visit to **Hinkley Point** nuclear power station, which was fascinating to see, especially at a time when it is featured so much in the news. The proceeds of this trip went to the village hall fund.

Sadly this year **Guy Fawkes Night**, in Lamyatt, had to be cancelled due to the Hall being unavailable and no other suitable venue possible in the village.

Supper Club 2015/16 Winter Season. This year, as we were unable to use the hall, Mary Clare very kindly opened up her barn for the Supper Club to show the film, *The Way*, about a father doing the pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago in memory of his son. A very moving film with fantastic scenery which made us all want to go there. Nick produced an excellent paella to sustain us all for the journey.

Saturday 23rd January was the date we celebrated **Burns Night** this year and, as the hall had been emptied for the building works, Dick and Caryl Joyce very kindly staged an evening of Scottish Dancing at their home. We managed to perform some very jolly reels in their kitchen, fortified by some excellent food and drink, and our thanks go to them both.

Saturday Coffee Mornings. The monthly coffee mornings moved to the Church for the duration of the building works, and will resume in the village hall from September 2016. Roughly once a month there is the chance for anyone who would like to join in - drink good coffee accompanied by home-made cakes and biscuits - and catch up on the local gossip.

28th March. **Egg Rolling.** Traditionally on Easter Monday Lamyatt hold an egg rolling competition down Portway hill which is then followed by tea in the village hall. However this year, with the Hall out of action, the egg rolling was moved to the opposite hill on the village road above the church. A delicious tea was served afterwards in the Church. The hill was not as good as Portway Hill for rolling purposes, but everyone had fun and next year we will be back to Portway Hill.

21st May saw the **official launch of the new village hall**, with Kevin McCloud cutting the ribbon and smashing a bottle of Bullbeggar Cider against the hall wall. It was an excellent event which included a buffet lunch cooked by residents of the village, and celebrated the fulfilment of a dream to improve the village hall. After five years of planning and much hard work and dedication by members of the Committee, and those co-opted on to it for the duration of the works, the project was finally completed.

Shakespeare 2016. Saturday 2nd of July was the date for this year's Shakespeare production held in the garden of Speeds Farm, with thanks to David and Simone Ash. The Festival Players performed their best production yet - *Hamlet* - and the turnout surpassed even last year's record numbers. With the profits shared with the Church, the Village Hall had a wonderful boost to its coffers which will help stock the new hall with improved furniture and fittings in keeping with the lovely new building.

As well as the planned events, the beautiful new hall with its excellent facilities is now available for residents to hire for private functions, and enquiries are welcomed.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The committee work hard to accomplish the objectives as set out in Section C, and feel that they have largely achieved this, with the events described above, despite the restrictions placed on them this year with the hall undergoing building works.

They have achieved an amazing transformation of the building into an up to date and practical village hall fit for the 21st century, whilst keeping the original old school building with its period features largely intact. The new hall, with its use of local stone and reclaimed tiles and traditional materials, sits comfortably in its location and gives the impression that it has always been there. The end result has only been achieved by some tremendous fundraising, and numerous hours of legwork and paperwork to sort out the planning and legal side of things. All of this has been done on a completely voluntary basis by residents of Lamyatt.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Business Reserve account for monies raised locally for the new hall.
No 2 account used for monies from grants for the improvement project.
Main current account for the day to day running of the hall.

Section F

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		