

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 286472

**Trustees' Report and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 30 September 2025
for
PUBLIC PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL
known as STOKE GIFFORD TRUST**

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PUBLIC PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL (known as STOKE GIFFORD TRUST)

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 September 2025

The trustees present their report and annual accounts for the year ended 30 September 2025.

Charity name

Public Playing Field and Village Hall (also known as Stoke Gifford Trust).

Charity registration number

286472

Principal address

The Trust Hall
North Road
Stoke Gifford
Bristol BS34 8PE

Trustees

Name	Office	Body entitled to appoint trustee
Mr D Addison	Chair	Trust
Mr R Horsfall	Deputy Chair (resigned 21 July 2025)	Trust
Mrs G Godden	Deputy Chair (appointed 21 July 2025)	Trust
Mrs J Henshaw	Treasurer	Trust
Mrs S Peasgood	Minute Secretary	Trust
Mr R Edwards	Cricket Club representative (appointed 20 May 2024)	Stoke Gifford Cricket Club
Mr M Black	Football Club Representative	Stoke Gifford Football Club
Mr P Smith	Public representative	Trust
Mr D Edge	Public representative (resigned 21 July 2025)	Trust
Mr M Fackrell	Public representative (appointed 21 July 2025)	Trust
Mr N Das Gupta	Parish Council Representative	Trust
Mr A Shore	Parish Council Representative	Stoke Gifford Parish Council
Mr M Brown	Parish Council Representative	Trust
Mr E Brown	Public representative	Trust

Trustees for the charity

Stoke Gifford Parish Council (Custodian Trustee).

Independent Examiner

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PUBLIC PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL (known as STOKE GIFFORD TRUST)

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 September 2025

Structure, Governance and Management

Governance document

The charity is constituted as a Trust and is governed by its Trust Deed dated 31 December 1951.

Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are elected by residents of Stoke Gifford or appointed by certain of the organisations and clubs using the facilities.

Organisations allowed to appoint trustees include Stoke Gifford Parish Council, Stoke Gifford Parochial Church Council, British Legion (Stoke Gifford Branch), Little Stoke Ratepayers Association, Stoke Gifford Cricket Club, Stoke Gifford United Association Football Club, Stoke Gifford Tennis Club and the Stoke Gifford Baptist Church Committee.

Related parties

Of the trustees who stood during the year, D Addison, A Shore, N Das Gupta and M Brown are Parish Councillors. The Parish Council is custodian trustee of the charity.

The Trust receives assistance from the Parish Council comprising grass cutting, maintenance of boundaries, tree surgery and maintenance of play equipment. A contribution towards these costs was introduced by the Parish Council in 2012 being £2,400 for 2023/24 and £3,120 for 2024/25.

The trustees have considered the major risks relating to the charity and have reviewed the controls in place to manage them.

Objectives and Activities

Objectives of the charity

To manage the Trust Ground (all those pieces or parcels of land together with buildings and yard situated at Stoke Gifford and being Ordnance Survey numbers 218, 219, 219a, 221 and 248) for the purposes of public playing fields and of physical and mental training and recreation and social, moral and intellectual development through the medium of reading and recreation room, library, lectures, classes, recreations and entertainments or otherwise as may be found expedient for the benefits of the inhabitants of the Parish of Stoke Gifford in the County of Gloucestershire and its immediate vicinity without distinction of sex or political, religious or other opinions. The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on Public Benefit.

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 September 2025

Main activities

To achieve the objectives stated above the Stoke Gifford Trust undertakes for the benefit of the people of Stoke Gifford:

- 1 Maintenance of the green space of the Trust Ground (approx. 5.366 acres) including one football pitch, one cricket pitch, one tennis court and one multi-purpose court (tennis, basketball and football practice) making these facilities available for use by locally based clubs on a regular basis and for occasional hire by other users.
- 2 Maintenance and improvement on the site of a small children's play area open to the general public.
- 3 Maintenance and improvement of a hall with attached kitchen and toilet facilities ("The Trust Hall") making this hall available for general hire by local residents for recreation, local organisations for public meetings and use as a poll station and clubs and commercial organisations providing recreational activities and indoor sports for the benefit of the local residents.
- 4 Maintenance and improvement of a second, smaller hall with attached kitchen and toilet facilities ("The Poplar Rooms"), making this hall available for general activities by local residents and organisations (commercial and otherwise) providing educational and recreational facilities to local residents.
- 5 Maintenance and improvement of a pavilion providing showers, changing rooms and refreshment facilities for the benefit of users of the playing fields.
- 6 Provision and maintenance of an on-site car park.

The Trust wishes to note the contribution to the maintenance of the playing fields and outdoor courts made by trustees, members of the community and volunteers from the football and cricket clubs. It has not been possible to place an economic value of the contributions made in the accounts.

Achievements and performance

Renovation and improvement work continued in the Poplar Rooms. The main hall continues in use, but the old changing rooms and shower rooms are being converted for use as additional facilities. The new office space is almost complete. It only remains to add a new door to secure the office. This is dependent on the second stage of the work, which is being planned and which will convert the old changing rooms into a small meeting room with independent building access, toilet and kitchen facilities. As this fundamentally changes the use of the building from a single user facility to a multi-user facility, the new partition walls and doors are required to be firebreaks and building regulation approval is required before construction can start.

Our focus continues to be on providing regular activities wherever possible with the dance schools, martial arts club, indoor bowls and churches continuing to make extensive use of the facilities. We still retain two booking times at weekends to allow children's parties and other social gatherings.

Outdoors, the facilities for football, cricket, basketball practice and tennis continue to be well used when the weather permits. We have been granted funds from the Section 106 agreement (money for the provision of community facilities) with the developer of the new housing at Harry Stoke to install new drainage for the football pitch. This will address the significant issues with waterlogging we've been having in recent years.

Hire of the facilities continued to be our main source of income and we were able to generate an operating surplus which is being used to maintain and improve the facilities.

We continued to regularly maintain the outdoor spaces. The sports netting protecting surrounding houses from stray cricket and tennis balls required repairs after the winter storms. The tennis courts required cleaning and the play area required an annual inspection and maintenance. We would like to note the continued contribution of the Parish Council to the maintenance of the play area.

Ground works also continued on a regular basis with a check identifying trees which required pruning or removal. Undergrowth was also periodically cleared to ease ongoing maintenance of the field boundary.

PUBLIC PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL (known as STOKE GIFFORD TRUST)

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30 September 2025

Financial review

Overview

The Trust's principal source of finance is the hire of halls, the field and tennis courts being £44,355 for the year (2024 - £47,795). The hall hire has decreased as a result of two key regular hirers cancelling their bookings.

Resources expended have supported the key objective of maintenance of the buildings and playing fields and include employment costs of £16,727 (2024 - £14,476) and repairs and maintenance of £26,889 (2024 - £24,693). The decrease in repairs and maintenance is resulting from the upgrade to Poplar Rooms in the previous year.

Reserves

The charity's reserves policy is to hold approximately 3 - 6 months' regular outgoings which equates to approximately £12,500 to £25,000. At the year-end free reserves were £19,516 (2024 - £34,450).

The charity also held fixed assets of £NIL (2024 - £417) in a designated fund, £103,939 (2024 - £103,939) in a designated fund for future development and £NIL (2024 - £1,872) in a restricted fund for community events.

Funds

There are no funds currently in deficit.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above on 27 April 2026

D Addison
Chair

PUBLIC PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL (known as STOKE GIFFORD TRUST)

Independent Examiner's Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2025 which are set out on pages 9 to 19.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date:....

PUBLIC PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL (known as STOKE GIFFORD TRUST)**Statement of Financial Activities**

for the year ended 30 September 2025

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Incoming resources					
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	4,446	1,459	5,905	7,785
Charitable activities	3	44,355	-	44,355	47,975
Investment income	3	3,035	-	3,035	3,108
Total incoming resources		51,836	1,459	53,295	58,868
Resources expended					
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	65,064	5,454	70,517	64,019
Total resources expended		65,064	5,454	70,517	64,019
Transfers		(2,123)	2,123	-	-
Net movement in funds		(15,351)	(1,872)	(17,223)	(5,151)
Funds brought forward	9	138,806	1,872	140,678	145,829
Funds carried forward	9	123,455	-	123,455	140,678

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

All gains and losses recognised during the period are included above.

PUBLIC PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL (known as STOKE GIFFORD TRUST)

Balance sheet

As at 30 September 2023

	Note	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Fixed assets	6	-	417
Current assets			
Debtors	7	6,252	6,892
Bank deposits		84,189	81,454
Cash at bank and in hand		41,281	56,691
		<u>131,722</u>	<u>145,037</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(8,267)	(4,776)
Net current assets		<u>123,455</u>	<u>140,261</u>
Net assets		<u>123,455</u>	<u>140,678</u>
Funds of the charity			
Unrestricted funds			
General funds	9	19,516	34,450
Designated funds	9	103,939	104,356
Restricted funds	9	-	1,872
		<u>123,455</u>	<u>140,678</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 27 April 2026. and were signed on its behalf by:

D Addison
Chair

J Henshaw
Treasurer

PUBLIC PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL (known as STOKE GIFFORD TRUST)

Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 September 2025

1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared on the assumption that the charity is able to continue as a going concern. The trustees consider that the charity has sufficient cash reserves to continue as a going concern for a period of at least 12 months from the date on which these financial statements are approved.

2 Accounting policies

Incoming resources

Incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: (i) the charity becomes entitled to the resources; (ii) it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and (iii) the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount realised.

Donated services are included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' report.

Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

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Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.

Building works and general improvements to the grounds and existing buildings are written off in the year of the expenditure being incurred as the original land and building costs were not capitalised.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. Full depreciation is charged in the first year.

Equipment 20% on cost

VAT

Since the charity is not VAT registered, all input VAT is charged with the expenses to which it refers.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose. They are available as general funds and can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes. Expenditure which meets the criteria is charged to the fund together with a fair allocation of support costs where appropriate.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value. The liquid funds of bank balances are shown at their realisable values.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 September 2025

3. Analysis of incoming resources

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
<i>Donations and legacies</i>				
Donations	4,446	1,459	5,905	6,385
Grants - Benefact Group (1)	-	-	-	400
Grants - Stoke Gifford Parish Council (2)	-	-	-	1,000
	<u>4,446</u>	<u>1,459</u>	<u>5,905</u>	<u>7,785</u>

(1) *Coronavirus local authority grants*

(2) *Village fete grant*

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
<i>Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>				
Hall rentals – regular	34,679	-	34,679	35,862
Hall rentals – casual	4,494	-	4,494	6,531
Field and court rents	5,008	-	5,008	5,402
Other income	175	-	175	180
	<u>44,355</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,355</u>	<u>47,975</u>

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
<i>Investment income</i>				
Deposit interest	3,035	-	3,035	3,108
	<u>3,035</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,035</u>	<u>3,108</u>

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for the year ended 30 September 2025

4. Analysis of resources expended

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<i>Charitable activities</i>				
Upkeep of the halls and grounds	65,064	-	65,064	59,138
Events	-	5,454	5,454	4,881
	65,064	5,454	70,517	64,019
	£	£	£	£
<i>Upkeep of halls and grounds</i>				
Electricity	8,695	-	8,695	7,867
Gas	2,148	-	2,148	1,923
Water and sewerage	1,942	-	1,942	1,777
Salaries	16,727	-	16,727	14,476
Repairs and maintenance	26,889	-	26,889	24,693
Insurance	1,897	-	1,897	1,696
Licences	2,644	-	2,644	836
Depreciation	417	-	417	1,276
Bank charges	60	-	60	60
IT and software	1,027	-	1,027	1,281
Accounting and independent examination	2,046	-	2,046	3,030
Legal costs	100	-	100	50
Other expenses	473	-	473	79
Bad Debts	0	-	0	94
	65,064	-	65,064	59,138
<i>Events</i>				
Village fete	-	5,454	5,454	4,881
	-	5,454	5,454	4,881

5. Staff costs

	2025 £	2024 £
Gross wages	16,727	14,476
Total staff costs	16,727	14,476

Average number of employees in the year

2025 No.	2024 No.
2	2

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5. Staff costs (continued)

No staff member received remuneration in excess of £60,000 (2024:NIL). The key management personnel are defined as the trustees total key management personnel remuneration was £NIL (2024:£NIL)

6. Tangible fixed assets

	Equipment	Equipment
	2025	2024
	£	£
<u>Cost</u>		
At the beginning of the year	8,126	8,126
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
At the end of the year	<u>8,126</u>	<u>8,126</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>		
At the beginning of the year	7,709	6,433
Charge in the year	417	1,276
At the end of the year	<u>8,126</u>	<u>7,709</u>
Net book value at 30 September 2024	<u>417</u>	<u>1,693</u>
Net book value at 30 September 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>417</u>

7. Debtors

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Hire fees receivable	6,252	-	6,252	6,892
	<u>6,252</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,252</u>	<u>6,892</u>

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8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Amounts owed to suppliers	3,656	-	3,656	350
Accruals and deferred income	4,426	-	4,426	4,426
Taxation and social security	185	-	185	0
	<u>8,267</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,267</u>	<u>5,627</u>

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9. Statement of funds

	B/fwd	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	C/fwd
	£	resources	resources	£	£
		£	£		
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>					
General fund	34,450	51,836	(64,647)	(2,123)	19,516
<i>Designated funds</i>					
Development fund	103,939	-	-	-	103,939
Fixed Assets NBV fund	417	-	(417)	-	0
	<u>138,806</u>	<u>51,836</u>	<u>(65,064)</u>	<u>- 2,123</u>	<u>123,455</u>
<i>Restricted funds</i>					
Community Events fund	1,872	1,459	(5,454)	2,123	-
	<u>1,872</u>	<u>1,459</u>	<u>(5,454)</u>	<u>2,123</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u>140,678</u>	<u>53,295</u>	<u>(70,517)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>123,455</u>

Unrestricted funds

General fund represents the day to day running of the charity for the charitable objectives.

Development fund reflects funds set aside by the trustees for future development of the properties and grounds.

Fixed Assets NBV fund reflects the net value of tangible fixed assets which are not freely available to fund day to day expenditure.

Restricted funds

Community Events fund reflects the cumulative net surplus from community events to be used for future events.

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10. Trustees remuneration and benefits

During the year, no trustees received remuneration or expenses (2024 – nil).

11. Analysis of net assets by fund

	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Fixed assets	-	-	-	-	417
Current assets	27,691	104,031	-	131,722	145,037
Current liabilities	(8,267)	-	-	(8,267)	(4,776)
	<u>19,424</u>	<u>104,031</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>123,455</u>	<u>140,678</u>

Comparative analysis of net assets by fund (2023/24)

	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Fixed assets	417	-	-	417
Current assets	40,134	104,031	872	145,037
Current liabilities	(4,776)	-	-	(4,776)
	<u>35,775</u>	<u>104,031</u>	<u>872</u>	<u>140,678</u>

12. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in 2025 (2024 – no transactions).

Of the trustees who stood during the year, D Addison, A Shore and N Das Gupta are Parish Councillors. The Parish Council is custodian trustee of the charity.

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13. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities (2023/24)

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Incoming resources			
Income and endowments from;			
Donations and legacies	4,485	3,300	7,785
Charitable activities	47,975		47,975
Investment income	3108		3,108
Total incoming resources	55,568	3,300	58,868
Resources expended			
Expenditure on;			
Charitable activities	59,138	4,881	64,019
Total resources expended	59,138	4,881	64,019
Transfers	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	(3,570)	(1,581)	(5,151)
Funds brought forward	142,376	3,453	145,829
Funds carried forward	138,806	1,872	140,678

Comparative statement of funds (2023/24)

	B/fwd £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	C/fwd £
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>					
General fund	37,069	55,243	(57,862)	-	34,450
<i>Designated funds</i>					
Development fund	103,614	325	-	-	103,939
Fixed Assets NBV fund	1,693	-	(1,276)	-	417
	142,376	55,568	(59,138)	-	138,806
<i>Restricted funds</i>					
Community Events fund	3,453	3,300	(4,881)	-	1,872
	3,453	3,300	(4,881)	-	1,872
Total funds	145,829	58,868	(64,019)	-	140,678