

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

CHARITY NAME: Hanna's Field Charity

OTHER NAMES CHARITY IS KNOWN BY: None

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 286877

CHARITY'S PRINCIPAL ADDRESS: C/O Honorary Treasurer,
2, Clinton Close,
East Hanningfield,
Chelmsford Essex,
CM3 8AZ

NAMES OF TRUSTEES WHO MANAGE THE CHARITY:

	Trustee Name	Office	Date acted	Status
1.	Ms Jenny Mouser	Chairman	All of 2024	Elected
2.	Mr David Bell	Vice Chairman	All of 2024	Elected
3.	Mr Michael Plumridge	Treasurer	All of 2024	Elected
4.	Ms Wendy Thomas	Secretary	All of 2024	Elected
5.	Mr Malcolm Edward	-	All of 2024	Elected
6.	Ms Fiona Ward	-	All of 2024	Elected
7.	Ms Jackie Feehan	-	All of 2024	Elected
8.	Mr Malcom Thomas	-	All of 2024	Rep. (Custodian Trustee)
9.	Ms Diane Batt	-	All of 2024	Representative
10.	Ms Rachel Lambert	-	All of 2024	Representative
11.	Mr Greg Pether	-	From April 2024	Representative

NAMES OF THE TUSTEES FOR THE CHARITY continued:

Name	Dates Acted
East Hanningfield Parish Council (Custodian Trustees)	All of 2024

ADDITIONAL OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES:

Contribution made by volunteers: The Charity is managed by volunteers who organise activities and oversee the resources of the organisation.

The Trustees are satisfied that the Charity meets the Charity Commission's requirements in the provision of public benefit as defined by its Trust Deed.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

SUMMARY OF THE MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE YEAR:

The Charity works with the help of East Hanningfield Parish Council as Custodian Trustees to achieve the Charity's objective of maintaining and improving the hall and playing field facilities for use by the parishioners of East Hanningfield, and wider local community generally.

During the period covered by this report (2024) the Charity's income from hirers has finally returned to a level comparable with times before the Covid 19 pandemic and encouraged by the Committee's efforts in supporting new and existing Hall activities.

Fundraising events on Hanna's Field and, in the Hall continued in 2024 with the annual Village Fete in July, quarterly book sales in the Hall, and the annual Art Exhibition in early October.

The Fireworks & Halloween fundraising event in October was paused in 2024 to allow the Charity fund raising committee to decide whether it was worth continuing with the event after a noticeable fall in its profitability in 2023.

The Book Sales in the Hall, and the Village Fete events were organised with the support of All Saints Parochial Church Council and profits shared equally.

The Charity managed to complete important improvements and tasks over the year, in particular:

- The installation of a large-scale Solar Photo Voltaic (PV) Panel system on the Hall roof to supply free energy to the Hall, including the Village Shop and reduce our carbon footprint and energy costs.
- Replacement of the Hall's failing mains power distribution board.
- Changes to install timers on external lights to reduce energy use at night.
- Evaluation of energy suppliers prior to transfer of Hall's energy supply to Octopus.
- Resurfacing of the Village Hall overflow carpark with 20 tons of granite chip.
- Tarmac repairs to the main carpark including a refresh of parking bay marking.
- Redecoration of Small Hall and Kitchen to improve user's experience.
- Creation of a new Village Hall website to replace previous website hosted on Parish Council's website.
- Transition of the Charity's accounts from spreadsheet-based accounts to a professional accounting software package (Xero) with the help of a professional accountant.
- The Village Hall's, community shop/post office continues to be well supported. Under the present Hall shop/post office 7-year lease signed with the tenant in 2022 the lease will not need to be renegotiated with the incumbent tenant until 2029. The shop now receives the benefit of its electricity supply from the Hall at a preferential rate reflecting savings the Charity has achieved with roof solar panel.

- Trim Trail around the field.
- Resurface Sports Courts with astro turf for 5-side football?
- Install Skateboard ramps and half pipes (perhaps on where sports courts are?)
- Relay BMX Track.

A long-term aim remains to create a Community Suite function room above the Small Hall if and when suitable grant funding source becomes available.

The current level of cash resources does not at present justify a long-term investment policy given the nature of ongoing Hall and Field improvements and cost and need to maintain a reserve to cover the unforeseen.

OTHER OPTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Village Hall's, community shop/post office continues to be well supported. Under the present Hall shop/post office 7-year lease signed with the tenant in 2022 the lease will not need to be renegotiated with the incumbent tenant until 2029.

The Charity main banking services are provided by the Charity Aid Foundation (CAF) Bank and has done so for some time. There may be better options in terms of community banking and standard of services, rates and account charges and we should take time in future to review the present provider.

DECLARATION

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:

Signature(s)		
Date	17.06.25	21/6/2025
Full Names	Michael Plumridge	Jenny Mouser
Position	Treasurer	Chairperson