

Haworth Village Hall Ltd Report 2019-20



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Trustees Report 2019-20

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Haworth Village Hall can refer to:

Haworth Village Hall (Trading) Ltd, a Company Limited by Guarantee, 11597676 Haworth Village Hall Ltd, a Registered Charity, 1182961 both of Butt Lane, Haworth, BD22 8QJ

Charitable Aim:

The provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the Haworth and the surrounding area without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for: (a) meetings, lectures and classes, and (b) other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants.

Directors & Trustees:

Mr Jonathan Olsson Mr Kevin Campbell-Wright, BA (Hons), MInstLM Mrs Beverley Dickinson (Hon. Treasurer) Mr Timothy Credland, BSc (Hons)

Chair's Report

This year has been mixed for Haworth Village Hall. We started the year well, developing a great relationship with Space to Inspire, who are working with us to redevelop the tower area. The Bolt Academy, run by successful local actor Freddie Bolt, booked a number of evenings long term and the Magic Garden Play cafe was passed to new owners, who remain keen to sustain it. Additionally, Scouts and other local charities continue to book the hall for use, improving the lives of those in Worth Valley.

We developed a strong plan for making the hall sustainable, including quotes for air conditioning. We moved our office to a more efficient room upstairs to allow us to begin the refurbishment of the kitchen and bar.

However, the first disappointment was the failure of Bradford Council as part of the lease, for the fifth year running. This left us unable to apply for much needed funding to meet the targets in our business plan. We submitted a formal complaint to Bradford Council about this. The remainder of this financial year has proved costly; in mid-March we had to close the hall due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and we now face months with no bookings and the likely cancellations of weddings and events that take place during the summer.

We hope this will give us some time to work on re-devdeloping the hall and securing our lease from Bradford Council. If the latter comes to pass, we will also be eligible for a Towns Fund Grant, which will see further expansion to include extra spaces for the community.

We've been through worse; back in 2015, when we started all this, it looked set to close. We have continued to jump through every

hoop and defy every doubt; without support or funding, we continue to serve Haworth, Keighley and surrounding area and we're confident this storm can be weathered too.

Jonathan Olsson, Chair, Haworth Village Hall Ltd



Treasurer's Report

Our funds this year were healthy until the impact of Covid-19, which we expect to be a problem next

year, though we hope for government support.

We have reduced expenditure and continued to get a good donation from our trading subsidiary, Haworth Village Hall (Trading) Ltd.

TURNOVER: £ 22,358
SUBSIDUARY TURNOVER: £ 8.600

CLOSING BALANCE: £ 2,904



Performance Report

Target	Actual	Notes
£3,150* *Business Plan 20-23	£2,904	This is due to Covid-19
Maintain bookings	This was achieved at time of lockdown	Lockdown has not enabled us to do this, but we had exceeded targets prior to lockdown
Maintain	Long term	We have
long term commercial	users have	developed substantial
users	increased	partnerships this year
Reduce	Not	As no
energy bills	achieved	funding could be
by 25%		obtained
		without a
		lease, which
		was not granted, this
		was not
		achieved

Plan Summary

This year we are revising our targets and plans to reflect the difficulties of Covid-19.

We are currently looking at options to apply for grants to develop a STEM Centre with one of our social enterprise users, Space to Inspire. As a partnership we could then apply for wider funding, possible regeneration money.

If we do not achieve a grant, our contingency plan is to sell the caretaker's house. Current indications suggest that this would raise between £50k - £100k, enough to carry out essential sustainability works that would reduce costs in line with our existing targets.

Current Targets for Year:

- 1. Increase Bookings by 5%
- 2. Increase Bar Takings by 10%
- 3. Prepare to employ in Nov 2022

Revised targets:

- 1. Regain bookings to previous levels
- 2. Regain subsidiary takings to previous levels
- 3. Revise plan in line with bid success

Financial target for 2020-21:

- Best case (Towns Fund) £ 10,200
- Medium Case (house sale) £ 2.500
- Worst Case £1,200

Medium or best case would see us better previous targets.

Marketing Activity 2020-21

- Promote Haworth Village Hall through our STEM partnership
- Promote the hall as open for business as restrictions lift in press and social media

Updated Risks for 2021-22

Restrictions do not lift enough to enable bookings to increase.

Impact High, Likelihood, Medium

Mitigation: Continue to work on bids for sustainable and Covid 19 secure plans

Hall users unable to sustain their rents and close / leave

Impact High, Likelihood High

Mitigation: Work with users to keep costs low for users and hall, plan for alternative rent income through sustainable bids

Hall unable to function due to lack of income

Impact Critical, Likelihood Medium

Mitigation: Ensure regular checkpoint meetings and reporting against the risk register. End operations with at least 2 months notice to allow wind-down and give users notice

Checkpoints & Timerscales

Monthly meetings will include:

- Financial checkpoint
- Target checkpoint
- Mitigation revision
- Risk revision

Government Help

Haworth Village Hall is applying for a grant to support us during Covid-19 and await the results.

Plans for STEM Partnership

Our plan is to develop an informal relationship with Space to Inspire in order to look for funding that will create a space that will allows STEM learning in a sustainable and future proofed fashion. This will enable:

- Haworth Village Hall to continue to meet its objectives
- Improved quality of provision for the area
- Provide residential income for the Hall and Haworth

Haworth Village Hall Financial Activities

April 2019 - March 2020

	Total	
Income		
Donation from Haworth Village Hall (Trading) Ltd		8,633.12
Discounts given		14.00
Event Ticket Sales		872.03
Room Hire		2,913.00
Sales		9,056.00
Unapplied Cash Payment Income		150.00
Uncategorised Income		719.99
Total Income	£	22,358.14
Cost of Sales		
Cost of Sales - Direct Expenses		184.17
Total Cost of Sales	£	184.17
Total	£	22,173.97
Expenditures		
Advertising/Promotional		108.00
Computer Costs		456.58
Entertainer		1,250.00
Insurances		785.20
KHL		430.00
Legal		13.00
Licence		369.40
Office/General Administrative Expenditures		393.76
Office/General Administrative Expenses		650.45
Other Professional Services		75.00
Printing, Postage and Stationery		18.80
Purchases		1,000.00
Repair and maintenance		3,955.67
Utilities		9,763.57
Total Expenditures	£	19,269.73
Net Operating Income	£	2,904.24
Net Income/(Expenditure)	£	2,904.24