

Smailholm Village Hall - SC052858
Trustees' Annual Report
01 October 2025 – 31 March 2026

The charity trustees who served during the above six months and up to the date of signature of this report were:

1	Lindsay Grime	Chair
2	Marjorie Barrow	Secretary
3	Jane Miller	Treasurer
4	Brian McFarlane	Bookings Secretary
5	Jane Roberts	
6	John Barrow	
7	Denise Hunter	
8	Charlotte Davison	
9	Christine Malcolm	
10	Yvan Biot	Co-opted Representative for Smailholm Futures

Structure, governance and management

Smailholm Village Hall is governed by a Constitution. The Board of Trustees, which can have up to 11 members with a quorum of 3 members, is responsible for running the organisation. Trustees are nominated from members of the organisation and appointed annually at the AGM. The Board is responsible for the appointment of additional Trustees from time to time in accordance with the constitution.

Objectives and activities

The organisation's charitable purposes are

1. To provide and maintain Smailholm Village Hall as a community facility for the benefit of the inhabitants of Smailholm village and surrounding area covered by the following postcodes: TD5 7PH, TD5 7PJ, TD5 7PQ, TD5 7PF, TD5 7PG, TD5 7PL, TD5 7PN, TD5 7RT, TD5 7SB, TD5 7SD, TD5 7SE, TD3 6LG without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, for recreation, leisure and educational purposes of all kinds with the object of improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants.
2. To promote citizenship and community development in the area of benefit as described in point 1.

The main activities in relation to these objectives have been –

1. To ensure the fabric of the building is maintained in good condition
2. To make changes to the building to improve sustainability
3. To run events which are open to all members of the community
4. To hire the hall for a variety of purposes to provide an income stream

Achievements and performance

The hall continued to be the hub for Smailholm residents and the wider community, being used for a wide variety of events, clubs and classes. It is used almost every day during the week and regularly at weekends. Regular activities include Art Class, Book Group, Come along and play evenings, Film Nights, Library Van and Open Afternoons, Pilates, Qigong, Table Tennis and yoga. We also held a number of public theatre and music events.

Through the Smailholm Futures project we received a grant for the installation of solar panels and battery storage to improve our sustainability. This is the first phase of moving the hall to more sustainable energy usage and has been very successful in providing almost all of the electricity required to run the hall.

Financial review

The Treasurer arranged for the remaining funds amounting to £19,017 to be transferred from Smailholm Village Hall Committee.

As at 31 March 2026 there was a total of £19,487 in funds.
Of this reserves of £10,000 were held in a fixed term interest paying account.

There had been restricted grants of £17,100 in this reporting period.

We have no employees, so the Board and other members of the community volunteer regularly to ensure the smooth running of the hall, which would not be possible without their support.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature -



Name - Lindsay Grime

Position – Chair

Date – 19 May 2026