

Unst Working Mens Society

Trustees' Annual Report

01 March 2024 to 28 February 2025



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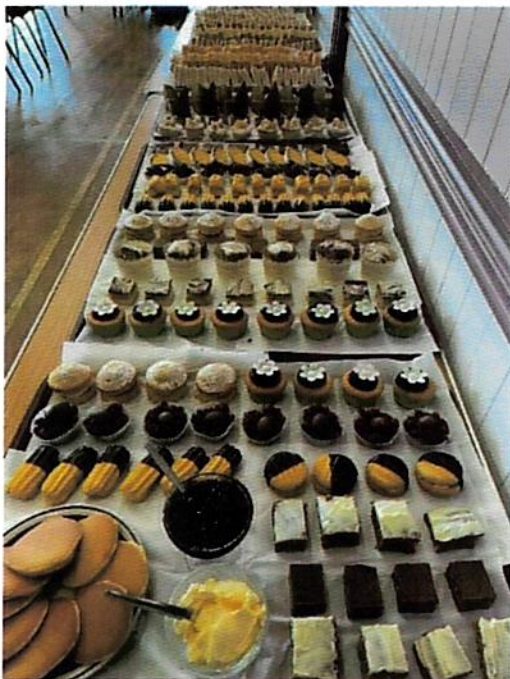
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April Sunday Teas



Charity Trustees

Name all of your charity trustees for the period, and the date they left if they were not in post for the whole year

1. Richard Mouat - Chairperson
2. George Rodger - Secretary
3. Martha Moar – Vice Chairperson
4. Frances Browne - Treasurer
5. Michelle Thomson
6. William Priest
7. Andy Jamieson



Sunday Teas Posters

Objectives and activities

The Unst Working Mens Society was set up to provide a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of Baltasound and the surrounding environs. The building is to be available for different types of use, including meetings, lectures, classes and other forms of recreation and leisure time recreation. The objects are to improve the conditions of life for these people.

In order to achieve this the trustees keep the Baltasound Hall in good condition and make it available to hire for local groups, individuals and organisations with as little cost as possible.

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

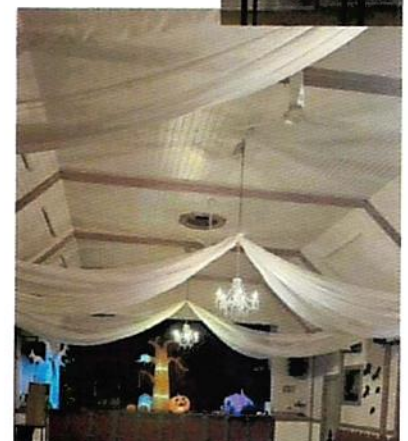
The Unst Working Mens Society is governed by a Deed of Trust.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

There were no new trustees appointed this year.



Halloween Party 2024



Achievements and performance

During 2024 the Baltasound Hall hosted:

- The Shetland Folk Festival
- A Silver Wedding
- A retirement Do
- UnstFest events, a Football quiz, a successful Panto, and a Band night.
- Unst Partnership Tea Dance for older people
- Several bus tours visiting Unst, by local business owner Victoria's Vintage Tearooms
- Regular bookings from: 1st Unst Brownies, Scottish Women's Institute and the voluntary Lunch Club and the Shetland Westside Vets
- Successful monthly Sunday Teas (hosted by various groups) between April and November.

As a hall we also ran events:

- 2 Fish and Chip nights
- Halloween Party
- Christmas Dinner for local company Cooke Aquaculture
- Christmas Dinner for older people
- Christmas Tree (party for local children)
- Carvery for Norik Up Helly Aa Yarl Squad

This was a busy year in terms of bookings for the hall. It was great to see it so well used.

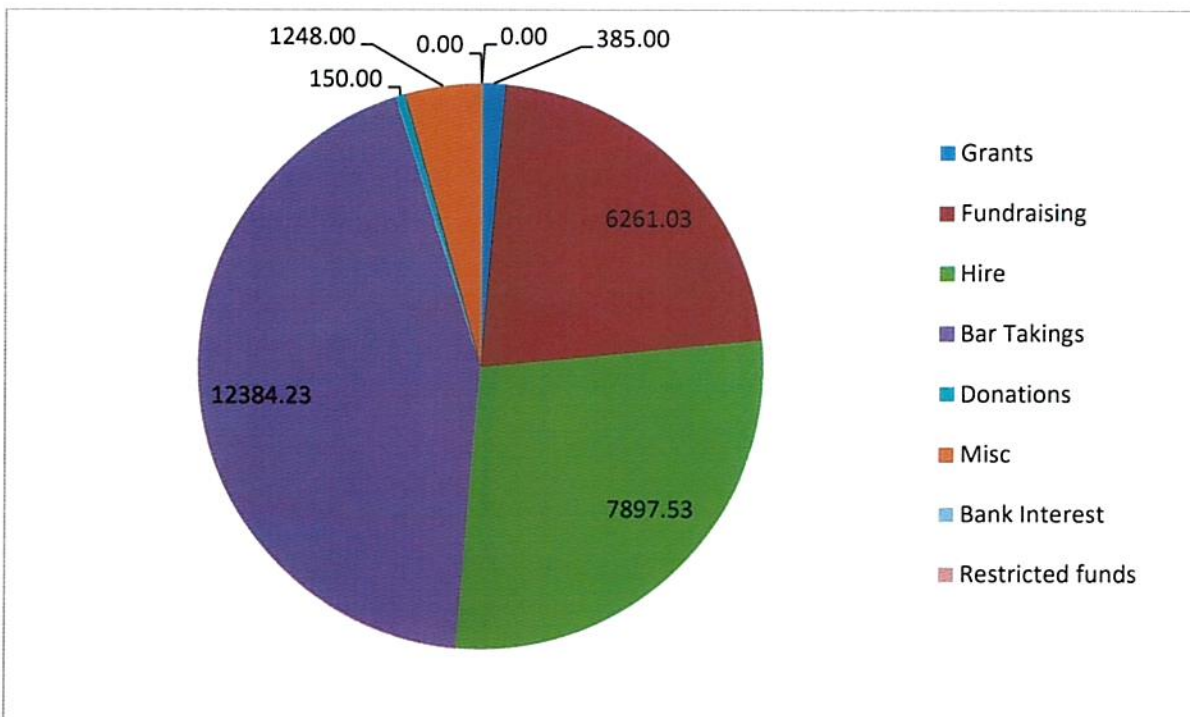
In previous years we have undertaken maintenance to the hall, including sealing leaks, repainting indoors and outdoors. This year we did not take on any major maintenance.

Financial review

Income

In 2024/2025 we took in £28325.79 in income. Receipts from fundraising activities was £6,261.00. Gross Trading Receipts was £20,282.76, comprising of £7897.53 hires and £12384.23 bar takings. We received £385.00 in grants and £150.00 in donations. Miscellaneous income was £1248.00.

This year's income was similar to last year's, but around 10K higher than 2022. Income this year was influenced by hosting the Cooke Aqua Culture Christmas Dinner and the Shetland Folk Festival. It was also a particularly busy and successful UnstFest.



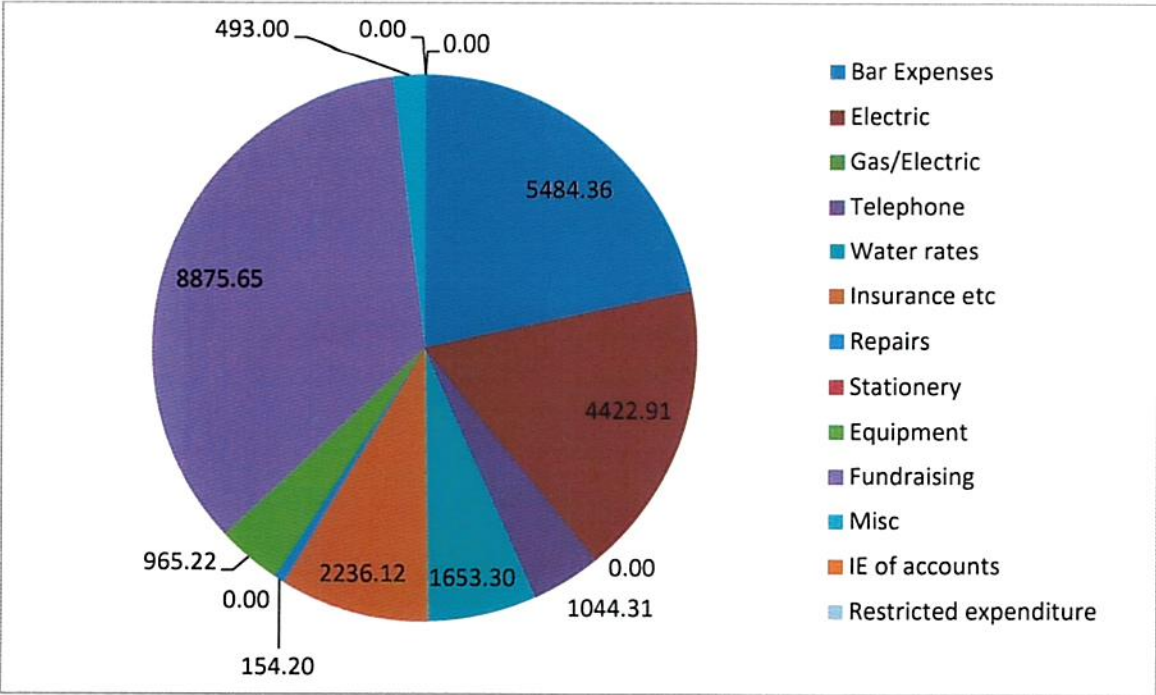
Income 2024 – 2025 Pie Chart

Expenditure

Expenditure this year was £25329.07. This comprises of £10969.06 for expenses relating directly to charitable activities which includes £4422.91 for Electricity, £1044.31 for Telephone and Wifi, £1653.30

for Water Rates, £2256.12 for Insurance, £154.20 for repairs and £493.00 for miscellaneous expense. Gross trading receipts (bar expenditure) was 5484.36. Fundraising expenses were 8875.65.

Expenditure this year was around 5K less than 2023/24, due to the work undertaken on the outside of the building that year. Telephone expenses this year have risen considerably due to paying for Wifi.



Expenditure 2024 – 2025 Pie Chart

Statement of the charity’s policy on reserves

We are working on our policy for reserves.

Details of any deficit

This year we made a profit of £2996.72.

Donated facilities and services

We provide three events during the year that are free to the public. The Halloween Party, the Older People’s Christmas Meal and the Christmas Tree event. We received an anonymous donation for the wine for the Older People’s Christmas Meal and we receive a grant

from Unst Community Council towards gifts for the Christmas Tree event.

Future plans

In 2025 to 2026, we hope to provide more activates ourselves for the community and fundraise more.

Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Print name RICHARD MOUAT

Designation CHAIR PERSON

Date 28 APRIL 2026