



Welborne Village Hall
Registered Charity (No 1086084)

Annual Report to Parish Council 2021/2

Writing this in the first months of 2022, we are hoping that life and the activities of the charity post-Covid will return to something like normal in the coming months. However, Covid 19 is still abundant in the communities of Norfolk and we can expect that there will be significant reservations on the part of our user communities to really treat social and community life as 'normal'. Nevertheless, optimistically, we are starting our social calendar again with monthly film nights. Hopefully, confidence will steadily return. With this in mind, near the end of 2021, we used some of our reserves to host a free and Covid secure social event for the community. This was well attended and widely appreciated.

The flow of funds into the charity in 2021 has been erratic. We have had some income from hall bookings but mostly we have relied upon the generous Covid-recovery funds coming from South Norfolk District Council. Our finances are in good shape for our commitments to the Hall and the Community.

We continue to make improvements to the Hall with a revamp of the garden area in 2021 to create more open space, including some wildflower and wildlife friendly features.

All organisations are having to deal with increased energy and general costs. The Hall provides a centrally heated facility with a fully fitted kitchen with electrical appliances for cooking etc. These increased costs means that we have decided to increase the charges for hiring the Hall from £6/hr to £8/hr for a minimum of two hrs. These will be reflected in our new website that should improve the booking process both for hiring the Hall and for our events

Signed: ...*Andrew Maule*.....
Chairman

Date: 30/03/2022.....