

The Annual Parish Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024 –

Village Hall Report from November 2022 to April 2024 from Alan Payne  
(Chairman)

We have completed a great deal of planned work to improve and maintain the village hall, the following are a few examples of tasks undertaken:-

Panelled the kitchen to main hall windows and decorated the main hall.

Upgraded the lighting within the village hall with LED fittings throughout, finishing off with replacing the outdoor bowls flood lighting also to help reduce the energy costs.

Replaced the cellar door and window with UPVC (the wooden one's had rotted)

The small committee room has been decorated.

We have had the conifer trees at the back of the hall reduced in height and trimmed back other overgrown shrubs and trees.

Some tarmac around the rear of the hall has been replaced.

We moved from employing our own cleaner to a contractor due to staffing issues and continually letting us down.

Most of our groups returned to us following the pandemic, many with reduced numbers, we reduced the cost to those effected hoping they would return to their previous numbers, sadly some groups have not recovered and finished.

Our original user groups Horsehay Amateur Dramatics, Outdoor Bowls and Horticultural Society are still going strong.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parish council for its continued support it gives the village hall.

On a much sadder note, Mr Clive Elcock the president of the Village Hall Trustees Committee passed away in January 2023, we then had one Trustee left but due to personal reasons does not wish to partake in the village hall.

The committee continues to hold monthly meetings and new members are always welcome.