

Doynton Village Hall Chair's Report for the Year ending 2021

2021 saw Village Hall events and activities gradually return to something approaching normality after the severe restrictions of 2020. The Village Post Office and the Farmer's Market continued throughout the year and at times the Hall provided one of the few ways in which the Village community could meet and catch up on news.

I am pleased to report that the Hall's finances remain in a sound position, due in part to the support provided by the PV cells feed-in tariff. Full details are set out in the Treasurer's Report. The Hall Committee continues to ensure that funds are always employed to maintain the Hall in good condition, both inside and out. The Hall functions as a charity for the community and is not treated as a profit centre.

During the year a number of maintenance items were undertaken: new barge boards were installed all around the Hall to replace some rotten timbers. The new barge boards were treated and painted and so should last for years to come. The external front of the Hall was painted and some repair work was carried out to replace rotten wood. In addition, the interior walls were painted so as to freshen up the overall appearance of the Hall.

The Hall website has now been completely updated and new photos of the Hall and grounds are there for everyone to see. Our thanks go to Teresa Lander for ensuring that this work was completed.

The smooth running of the Hall is entirely down to the Committee members, all of whom regularly help out without being asked to do so. The Committee has also been greatly helped in recent years by Suzanne Carten, the Hall Manager, who handles all bookings and administrative matters.

Mike Blacker

Chair

Doynton Village Hall Committee