

Donyatt Village Hall Chairman's Report on 2020/21

The Trustees' Annual Report, complemented by the Treasurer's Report and the Hall Booking Secretary's Report, provide comprehensive coverage of the year's highlights and sufficient information on which to judge the performance of the Committee.

My first year as Chairman has been a very gradual introduction, as for most of it we have been unable to provide the services to the community we would have liked. My thanks go to Anne, Bill, Becky and Phil for their support in easing my path through the tasks.

It is clear that without the efforts and tireless support of the committee, the hall would certainly not be in the fantastic shape it is today, ready for the easing of the restrictions we have all faced in the last year. I am also encouraged to see additional volunteers coming forward to join the committee, boosting our resources going forward.

Time does not stand still and the works carried out this year reflect the ongoing improvements and maintenance, that a hall fast approaching its 100th anniversary requires. I am proud of our achievements in improving and maintaining the Hall, paving the way for the next 100!

As this reporting year ends, I sincerely hope that we will get back to a level of normality and whilst I doubt we will reach the pre Covid levels soon, at least we will have the opportunity to once again welcome hirers and visitors to the hall in the coming year.

Funding has of course been an issue this past year, but with the support of the government we have been able to keep our funds stable, however without the fund raising opportunities we have had to postpone some of the planned tasks. With reopening now happening, I feel we can put together a plan to bolster funds and bring at least some of our 'wish list' to fruition.

My thanks to all the team for their dedication and look forward to 2021/22 being a better year for us all.

Mike Toop
Chairman

29 June 2021