

**Warnford Village Hall
Warnford**

Lucy Hutchinson
Parish Clerk
Warnford

Dear Lucy

**Trustees of the Warnford Village Hall
Grant Application to Parish Meeting**

This letter is to confirm the Village Hall Trustees' application for a grant from Parish funds for the year 2025. Please find attached an income and expenditure statement for 2024, the last quarter being estimated, set against the comparable figures for 2023 and a budget for 2025. I also enclose a copy of our "Charity Overview" page from the Charity Commission website showing the income and expenditure figures from our 2022 Financial Return.

The short-term cash position remains satisfactory because of the substantial Covid grants received in 2021. However, the post-Covid income, whilst continuing to recover slowly, is still falling well short of rising costs. The Committee has implemented some cost saving measures which are reflected in the 2024 figures and continues to be actively engaged in identifying ways to increase hall income. A key initiative for 2025 will be to move towards better visibility on social media and if possible, implement an online booking system. A conservative view of the potential benefits of this has been taken and it will require some additional spend in order to reap the benefits.

Accordingly, the Village Hall Committee would appreciate it if the regular £300 grant from the Parish Meeting could be continued for 2025.

Background information on the Village Hall is available on the village website.

Yours sincerely

**William Bennett
Chairman Warnford Village Hall Committee**