

**LITTLE HORWOOD RECREATION GROUND**  
**REPORT TO LITTLE HORWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**CHARITY NUMBER 295245**

**Committee and trustees**

The following served during the year:-

Bob Curtis	Trustee and Chair
Paddy McCowen	Trustee
Dr Alexandra Stubbings	
Peter Nickoll	
Hilary Kane	Bookings Secretary
Sarah Denne	Secretary
Wayne Wilson	Treasurer

**Review of operations and Chair's report**

2015 saw the completion of the construction of the replacement shed and I am pleased to say that the costs came in on budget at a net cost of £17K (Gross costs £31.5K less grants and fundraising £14.5K).

Again, thank you to AVDC Community Chest and Little Horwood Trust for grants towards the shed of £10K and £3K respectively and to those volunteers who donated their time and efforts towards the cause.

The official opening of the shed was celebrated in October 2015.

The ceremony was well attended and a representative of AVDC Community Chest was in attendance. A discussion took place and I was advised that this funding stream is to end in 2017.

With this in mind it was decided that as there were a number of villagers celebrating special events in 2016 and willing to contribute to seed funding for a village marquee of our own this would encourage village events to strengthen community spirit.

By coincidence there are a number of villagers celebrating special events in 2016 with potential hires willing to contribute seed funding for the purchase. After canvassing villagers it is apparent there is a desire for a village marquee and a formal grant application of £11K was submitted to Community Chest in early March.

The outcome of the grant application should be known in late April.

New goal nets were installed in the Autumn and a New Year football match organised by the Entertainments Committee was enjoyed by the competitors.

The increased use of the hall has resulted in the need for increased maintenance and plans are in place to resurface and improve access drives and footpaths.

I am pleased to advise you that the PV panels continue to generate income of over £1K by feeding electricity into the National Grid

I would like to thank once again all the committee members and other volunteers for their continued hard work on behalf of the village and we continue to be grateful to all who give their help.

A summary of finances is set out below. The accounts will be subject to an independent examination and may be subject to amendment.

Bob Curtis  
Chair

Dated 31 March 2016

**Financial review**

A draft income and expenditure account for the year to 31 December 2015 and a balance sheet at 31 December 2015 are attached.

Total income for the year totalled £15,852 (2014: £26,959) and expenditure (revenue & capital) £17,315 (2014: £32,537) resulting in a deficit £1,462 (2014: deficit £5,578).

Operational income	£15.8K	£14K
Operational expenditure	£7.00K	£11.3K
Operational surplus	£8.8K	£2.7K

The Charity's income is received in the form of an annual grant from The Little Horwood Parish Council, hire of the hall and field, fund raising activities, electricity generation, activity specific grants and donations.

No grants were received during the year. (year ended 31 December 2014 total £13K (Community Chest £10K and Little Horwood Trust £3K).

**Funds at bank**

Funds held in the bank at 31 December 2015 as per the balance totalled £9,194.  
Funds held in the bank at 31 March 2016 £9,490.

Bob Curtis  
31 March 2016