

WALTHAM VILLAGE HALL CHARITY

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2025 – 2026

During 2025/2026 a steady number of bookings for the Hall, together with a grant of £2,750 from Waltham Parish Council have helped with the continuing costs of Electricity, Water and Drainage and general running costs.

The Hall is a regular venue for Yoga, Gardener's Society Meetings, Table Tennis, Scrabble, Poetry Club, Social Afternoons, Lent Lunches and The Parish Council Meetings.

In addition, a variety of one-off events this year have included a French Bistro Evening which packed the Hall, the pre-Christmas Mulled Wine and Mince Pies and a talk on the Thanington Neighbourhood resource Centre which took place on Tuesday 31st March.

We have completed an extensive maintenance and redecoration programme during the year with repairs and redecoration externally and a complete redecoration internally plus the replacement of all the Curtains. The ladies of the Committee spent much time and effort selecting colour schemes and organising the replacement curtains which provide a wonderful "breath of fresh air" to the Hall.

In the Kitchen we have replaced the microwave and upgraded equipment.

There are a number of future events in planning and we are exploring a training session for the use of the Defibrillator.

The Hall continues to be a vital community focus and asset in our Village community.

Les Leslie
Chairman
Waltham Village Hall Charity.