

**Warnford Village Hall
Warnford**

Lucy Hutchinson
Parish Clerk
Warnford
Southampton
Hampshire

Friday 10th October 2025

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 2025, the last quarter being estimated, set against the comparable figures for 2024 and a budget for 2026. I also enclose a copy of our "Charity Overview" page from the Charity Commission website showing the income and expenditure figures from our 2024 Financial Return.

The short-term cash position remains positive but only because of the substantial Covid grants received in 2021. However, the post-Covid income 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 2026 will be to move towards better visibility on social media and if possible the implementation of an online booking system. A conservative view of the potential benefits of this has been taken and it is likely that some additional costs might be required to reap the benefits.

In light of the prevailing head winds, the Village Hall Committee would humbly request as generous a grant as possible from the Parish Meeting.

Background information on Warnford Village Hall is available on the new village hall website – www.warnfordvillagehall.org.

Yours sincerely

**William Bennett
Chairman Warnford Village Hall Committee**