

**Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005**

**Trustees:** Mr. N. Poulton Mr. D. Stock  
Mr. I. C. Knight Mr. J. Meischke

The charity was formed on 7<sup>th</sup> August 1997 to promote sport, sporting activities and recreational facilities within the village of Watton-at-Stone and the surrounding villages, and to provide an information centre within the village for local residents to use at no cost.

During the financial year the trustees met four times and reported the details of their meetings to the full Parish Council accordingly.

A full safety-check has been undertaken on all electrical, gas and fire appliances and a Royal Society of Prevention of Accidents inspection has been undertaken on the play area.

Further work has been carried out both inside and outside the Community Hall.

This work included the:

- installation of new roller blinds on the exit door in the pavilion
- repair of the door to the external Gents-toilet, and painting the inside
- repair of the brick wall at the main entrance to the sports field, which had been demolished by a motor vehicle
- rectification of problems with the shower-pressure in the changing rooms
- repair of a water leak in the roof
- replacement of broken roof-tiles.

The Council has approved a budget for moss-killing and pressure-washing on the Multi-Purpose Play Area (MPPA) and this work should be completed during April 2005.

The Diocesan Surveyor has approved the Parish Council's request to lease an additional parcel of land by the MPPA to allow an additional tennis court to be built.

The Tennis Club is now in the process of obtaining planning permission for this extra court. My thanks to Mr. Ian Knight for driving this project forward.

The Sports and Social Club had a very successful Fun Day on the 25<sup>th</sup> July 2004.

A seat has been installed on the sportsfield in memory of Paul Hart by his family.

The Summer Play Scheme organised by East Herts Council was again well-supported and a great success.

Again my thanks to Mr. John Meischke who has been on-hand to rectify the problems that have arisen in the last year and to deal with the contractors.

<b>Watton-at-Stone Community Hall</b>	
<b>Summary statement of expenditure and income for the year 2004/05</b>	
<b>Expenditure</b>	
General	£11192.65
VAT refund	54.10
	<u>£11246.75</u>
<b>Income</b>	
Hire of sports facilities	7448.30
Floodlighting	1790.00
Grant from Parish Council	£5,490.00
Bank interest	36.21
Miscellaneous	<u>£412.35</u>
	<u>£15,176.86</u>
<b>Reconciliation</b>	
Total Income	£15,176.86
Total Expenditure	-
	<u>£11246.75</u>
Income minus Expenditure (change in reserves)	<u>£3,930.11</u>