



June 2023

Dear Regular hirer,

Thank you for your continued support. The Village Hall Trustees regularly review the halls income and expenditure. As many of you are aware, the aim of the trust is to provide a quality facility for the community. Over the last 4 years, we have kept the hire fees the same. Through the Covid pandemic we supported all our hirers and did not charge for cancelled sessions. The Trust is aware that our hirers are small community groups and businesses so keen where possible to support groups. We applied and were successful in obtaining grants to support the building as we opened up post Covid. This money was used to support our regular hirers providing reduced rates when returning to sessions post the pandemic.

The Trust was astute and signed up to a 5 year protected contract for utilities 5 years ago, this has enabled us to not increase hire fees for the last 4 years. Sadly these contracts are now coming to an end and the cost of living crisis is reflected in our utility costs. Our electric bills alone have increased from £156 in Jan 23 to £744 in June 23. Gas bills will show a large increase at the end of the year as winter approaches. As you are aware as part of the hall's 'Green plan' the trust is currently applying for grants to add solar panels to the building, enabling the hall to generate more of its own power, reduce electric bills and support our hirers. Due to this this year, we have to make a small increase in hire fees. For new bookings, this will take immediate effect and for our regular users will take effect from 1st September 2023. The hire fees for Stanwick Village Hall are still extremely competitive and the facilities we have on offer are fantastic.

	In village, current	In village, new rate 1/9/23	Outside village, current	Outside village, new rate 1/9/23
Main Hall	£13	£14.50	£16 ph	£17.50
Committee	£10	£11 ph	£11 ph	£12.50

The Village Hall is a self-sustaining registered charity. Fundraising is essential so we can continue to offer the same high service to the community. We host regular quiz night and cream tea events with a live band. Please support in any way you can to enable us to give back to our users. Volunteers are always welcome.

Thank you for your continued support,

Rebecca and the Village Hall Trustees.



Stanwick Village Hall  
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