Reynalton Village Hall
Chair's Report - October 2026

Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Reynalton Village Hall is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The objects of the CIO are to further the interests of residents of Reynalton and the surrounding neighbourhood, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race, or political, religious, or other beliefs, by bringing together residents, local authorities, voluntary organisations, and other groups in a common effort to advance education and provide facilities for recreation and leisure activities. The aim is to improve the quality of life and promote social welfare within the community.

The Village Hall
Other than routine maintenance, no major works have been carried out on the Village Hall during the past year.

We are currently in discussions with Pembrokeshire County Council regarding water runoff down Church Lane onto the Village Green and into the Hall lobby. These discussions are aimed at identifying measures to prevent further damage. Once this issue has been resolved, we intend to proceed with planned improvements to the car parking area.

Improvements are also planned for the toilet facilities, including the installation of low-level heating and redecoration. In the longer term, we hope to secure funding to undertake more extensive improvements to the fabric of the building, as the single-skin construction is prone to damp.

A successful application to the Co-op Community Fund enabled the purchase of a new microwave oven, which is now available for use by Hall hirers and community groups.

A request has also been submitted to Begelly and Kilgetty Community Council for a contribution towards additional Christmas lighting for the Village Green. We remain grateful for last year's donation, which enabled the purchase of new external lights.
Village Green and Community

Residents will be aware of our ongoing commitment to maintaining and improving the Village Green and surrounding outdoor spaces. Committee members continue to give their time to ensure the Green is kept tidy and welcoming so that, weather permitting, the benches can be enjoyed by all. At least one organised litter pick has taken place during the year, and the bus shelter book exchange once again operated from April to October. The scheme continues to be well used, with all remaining books donated to charity at the end of the season.

The defibrillator purchased by the Village Hall Committee remains located in the telephone box and has recently been serviced to ensure it is fully operational and up to date. We are fortunate to have a number of local residents trained in the use of this potentially life-saving equipment.

Village Hall Events
Throughout the year we have continued to provide affordable and accessible events for residents and visitors.

On 28 November 2025, we held our annual Christmas Party, featuring a quiz, bingo, raffle, and music. Mince pies, stollen, and snacks were included in the ticket price, and a licensed cash bar was available. The event was extremely successful.

On 21 March 2026, we hosted a Quiz Night with fish and chip supper and a licensed cash bar. The event was well attended and enjoyed a friendly and competitive atmosphere.

On 25 April 2026, we held a Bingo Night which proved to be a tremendous success. We are particularly grateful to our volunteer caller for giving up her time free of charge and to all those who donated prizes. A licensed cash bar was available throughout the evening.

On 31 May 2026, residents participated in a community walk from Reynalton through Loveston Woods, returning to the Village Hall for refreshments. This route is now accessible thanks to the successful collaboration between the Village Hall Committee and Councillor Alistair Cameron in securing support and funding for Pembrokeshire County Council to reinstate the bridge and clear the woodland footpaths.

On 24 October 2026, we will hold a free Board Games Night, where residents can bring along their favourite games and enjoy complimentary tea, coffee, and biscuits in a relaxed social setting.
Our annual Christmas Party will take place on 4 December 2026, with further details to be announced shortly. As in previous years, a Christmas tree will be placed and illuminated on the Village Green for everyone to enjoy.

As a committee, we strive to provide events that are attractive, affordable, and accessible to all. Above all, our aim is to encourage community participation and enjoyment of the Hall while raising funds to maintain this valuable village asset. All proceeds from events are reinvested directly into the Hall and its facilities.

We are extremely grateful for the continued support of residents who attend our events and help make them successful. A great deal of work goes into organising these activities, much of which falls to a small group of dedicated volunteers. On behalf of the community, I would like to thank every committee member for their hard work and commitment. We also welcome suggestions for future events and offers of assistance.

Rental of the Village Hall
The Village Hall continues to be used regularly by local organisations, and new members are always welcome.

- Mondays: Short Mat Bowls
- Second Tuesday of each month: History Society
- First Wednesday of each month: Women's Institute (WI)
- Thursdays: Whist Club

Anyone interested in hiring the Hall for a one-off event or establishing a new group is encouraged to visit our website and complete an enquiry form.

Vote of Thanks
As Chair, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all trustees and committee members who continue to devote considerable time and effort on a voluntary basis to manage the Village Hall, organise events, and maintain the Village Green.

On behalf of the Committee, I would also like to express our gratitude to Councillor Alistair Cameron for his attendance, encouragement, and unwavering support of both the Committee and the wider village community.