

# HILL & MOOR Mail

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## Hello from Hill & Moor Village Hall!

**Coffee Morning  
Coming Up!  
Sat 30 May  
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### Village Hall Update Summary

In January, a new management committee was formed to manage and run Hill and Moor Village Hall, to save the hall from possible closure. As a result, the new committee is made up of:

- **Nick Butler** Chair and Trustee
- **Simon Treacy** Treasurer and Trustee (formerly Diana Ward until May 2026)
- **Blair Holme** Secretary and Trustee
- **Lynne Foord-Saunders** Events  
**David Saunders** Events Committee, plus a Village Events Team (VET)
- **Ashley Pattison** Support
- **Gary New** Marketing

We're keen to make the village hall a **warm and welcoming environment**, host great events for all the community and offer a space that can be hired for private functions.

Since January we've been very busy and we're delighted to share with you our progress so far!

We started by giving the halls identity a fresh new look, with branding and a **website**, plus updated social media channels (see page 2), ready for our launch event in March.

At the launch, we asked for your thoughts and feedback via our **survey**. A summary of the responses are on page 3. Over 110 residents attended and we raised £239.

Since then, we've been busy **planning events** (see page 5 and back cover), reaching out to new classes and ensuring the halls upkeep is maintained and compliant.

We have also decided to keep the **hall hire at £8 per hour**, not only to Hill and Moor residents but also to non-residents.

**Thank you for your support so far.** You can read our full **Annual Report** and future plans on page 7.

**Your new Village Hall Committee and Support Team**



From left to right: Lynne, Sally, David, Rachael, Diana, Blair, Claire, Kim, Peter, Ashley, Nick, Gary

# Improving Communications

## Website

Our new website [www.hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk](http://www.hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk) is now live! Here, you can [book the village hall](#), see what [events and regular classes](#) are coming up and stay connected with what's happening locally across Hill and Moor.

We are keen for the website to [connect our community](#). Therefore, you'll also find a section about our village [church](#), St. Thomas', and its events, plus links to our village [pub](#) and [parish council](#). There's also a dedicated [Local Businesses](#) page, to promote local businesses we have in the area - to advertise your business see the "Advertise With Us" advert opposite.

Take a look and explore everything in one place. We'd love your support - please share with friends, family and neighbours to help [spread the word](#) across the community.

## Other Communication Channels



We have also created a [Community WhatsApp group](#) to share information and updates on local events, community news, surveys and discussions for Hill and Moor. [To join, scan the QR code](#) below.



Our [Facebook page](#) is also refreshed and constantly updated with our village hall events.



You can also sign up for our [email newsletter](#) on our website. Please note, there is a high chance your first email from us will end up in junk! Please mark us as not junk and we will appear in your inbox.



# Advertise With Us!

Our **dedicated Local Businesses page on our website** is the perfect place to advertise your business.

For just **£50 per year** your listing includes your **logo** or image, a summary **description** of your business, **contact details** and a **link** to your website. 12-month subscription.

[www.hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk](http://www.hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk)



Visit our website or email [info@hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk](mailto:info@hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk) to list your business!

## Survey Responses

**Thank you** to everyone who completed our survey, this will help us organise a range of events going forward. Here are some key results:

**91** responses from our survey!  
**65%** would attend events at the village hall **monthly or every few months**


**What types of events** would you be most interested in?

Bonfire night	<b>67%</b>
Live music	<b>62%</b>
Seasonal fairs or markets	<b>59%</b>
Fitness / well-being classes	<b>56%</b>
Quiz nights	<b>46%</b>
Coffee mornings / informal social gatherings	<b>43%</b>
Family-friendly events	<b>40%</b>
Talks	<b>38%</b>

**77%** most likely to attend events on Saturday daytime  
**65%** most likely to attend events on Sunday daytime








# HILL & MOOR VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNING




Every Last Saturday of the Month

Starting on Saturday 30th May



10:00am - 12:30pm

£2.50 for quality tea or coffee  
and a generous slice of  
delicious homemade cake



All welcome! Come and chat with  
neighbours and friends over a  
lovely cuppa and cake.



**St Thomas' Church, Lower Moor, continues to flourish supported by an energetic Church Team of volunteers.**

A massive thank you to all those who attend Services and donate towards the upkeep of the church building... your support is greatly appreciated.

The Church Team was established in June 2024 after a serious threat of closure and sale of the church building owing to poor attendances at Services and insufficient donations (funding) to pay for the annual running and maintenance costs of the church building.

However, during the past 2 years attendances at Services have improved and donations have increased, and St Thomas' is now on a much firmer footing to survive into the future.

St Thomas' is a designated Festival Church and as such has 4 / 5 Services annually - Easter, Harvest, Remembrance, Christmas Carols and one Holy Communion Service usually in the summer months.

In the future it is hoped that people will continue to support St Thomas' by attending Services and supporting activities held to raise funds towards the annual fabric costs of the church building.

St Thomas' is one of the 4 major assets in the village of Lower Moor - (Church, Village Hall, Village Green and Old Chestnut Tree Pub). Support to retain these assets is important for community life and to keep the village attractive to both current and future residents.

All future St Thomas' Service dates and events will be published around the village on posters and on the village hall website, [www.hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk](http://www.hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk)



# Hill & Moor Village Hall

## Annual Report 2025-2026



### Trustees

Two trustees, Pat Stone and Carol Oliver, have resigned and have been replaced by Blair Holme and Nick Butler and Diana Ward remained. Owing to recent changes in personal circumstances, Diana Ward has decided to resign as Treasurer. We would like to thank Diana for staying on to work with the new Committee and allow us to settle in. From May, Simon Treacy will take on the role of Treasurer.

### Committee Changes

In January the existing Chair resigned and was replaced by Nick Butler. Carol Oliver also resigned as Secretary and was replaced by Blair Holme. Lynne Foord-Saunders remained on the Committee. New members have been co-opted onto the Committee and an Events Committee has also been created. New members are Ashley Pattison, Gary New and Simon Treacy. David Saunders has also taken on leadership of the Events Committee.

### Finance

As of 16 March, the hall is set to increase its funds from £16,964 to £18,373. A budget has been set for 2026/27. Three new regular bookings have been taken, which will help increase revenue to the hall.

### Report

During the second half of 2025, owing to lack of support, the Village Hall Committee decided to disband and only undertake minimal maintenance and management of hirers. In December a public meeting was held to decide the future of the hall and it was agreed that a new management committee would be formed.

In January 2026, the new committee was able to co-opt a full complement of new members and also formed a new Events

Committee. It was decided that the hall needed to be brought into the 21st Century and has successfully launched a new website and social media channels. A launch day was held in March, which was a huge success, with over 110 residents attending.

Governance has also been reviewed and the lack of policies and risk assessments has been addressed or, in the case of CCTV, is being worked upon. Outstanding maintenance issues have also been addressed, with a roofer employed to undertake roof repairs. The Committee is addressing the lack of maintenance of the solar panels which, if left, would have an adverse effect on revenue generation and the lifespan of the panels and inverter. In addition, the heating management has now been replaced with a Wi-Fi management hub to allow remote adjustments of the heating schedule.

The Events committee is also working on reintroducing a summer fete/fun day and also the fireworks night. It is also introducing small events, such as coffee mornings to promote community togetherness.

### Future Projects

The Committee is exploring the potential for increasing the solar panels and adding battery storage, with the aim of making the hall a Resilience Hub. Grants will be sought to cover costs as well as replacement of the current solar panel infrastructure, which is starting to approach end of life.

Nick Butler, Chair

We're always after your continued feedback and suggestions. Please feel free to contact us by email at [info@hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk](mailto:info@hillandmoorcommunity.co.uk)

# HILL & MOOR FAMILY

## FUN DAY!

**SUNDAY 12TH JULY 11AM - 4PM  
LOWER MOOR FIELD, WR10 2PN**

**A GREAT DAY OUT FOR THE  
WHOLE FAMILY!**

**CLASSIC CARS • FOOD & DRINK (INCLUDING TEAS,  
COFFEES & CREAM TEAS) • BOUNCY CASTLE •  
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES • TOMBOLA • RAFFLE • LUCKY  
DIP • LOCAL MAKER STALLS (BAKES, SWEETS,  
FRAGRANCES, BEAUTY & HOMEWARE,  
AND MORE) • PLUS LOTS MORE  
ON THE DAY!**



**Click or Scan to buy Raffle Tickets!**