

Bradwell Historical Society – Financial Report 2025

To be read in conjunction with the audited Summary of Accounts 2025.

Last year was been very different from 2024.

Although our number of paid-up members increased slightly (from 57 to 59, the most ever), our Current Account Income minus Expenditure was only £20.60 compared with £706.43 the previous year. This was due to a number of factors. In 2024 we had a substantial donation from St Barnabas Church, arising from the Community Coffee Morning held in April. Our sales of books etc. were down in 2025 largely because the S&F shop, where Cheryl sold them for us, closed down. Visitor numbers were down, and the forced change in our meetings venue from the Methodist Hall to St Barnabas Church meant an increase in the hire charge for each meeting and also a charge for storing our cabinets.

As regards the Project Account, we spent less in 2025 than 2024 (£196.13 compared with £278.20) but we did invest in a new gazebo and a new Christmas tree.

Going forward, our use of St Barnabas Church for a full year of 9 meetings and storage will be £480 (£40 per meeting plus £10 per month storage) compared with £315 for 9 meetings at the Methodist Hall (£35 per meeting). With this increase, together with the rising cost of speakers, refreshments etc., our current annual membership subscription of £10 is no longer adequate. I am therefore recommending to the AGM, an increase to £15, which is in line with other similar societies.

Many thanks to Peter Mackey for auditing the accounts.

Andy Smith, BHS treasurer - January 2026

Bradwell Historical Society
2025 Account Summary

Society No. 1 Account - General Account

		2025	2024
Opening Balance - Bank Account		3417.25	2794.82
Opening Balance - Cash		244.67 £3,661.92	160.67 £2,955.49
Income			
Subscriptions	590.00		570.00
Visitors	15.00		75.00
Donations	0.00		354.00
Sale of Books, DVDs etc.	88.00 £693.00		377.00 £1,376.00
Expenditure			
Insurance	84.00		84.00
Speakers	105.00		140.00
Room Hire	380.00		315.00
General Expenses	83.40		110.57
British Legion Wreath	20.00 £672.40		20.00 £669.57
Income - Expenditure		£20.60	£706.43
Closing Balance - Bank Account		£3,449.80	£3,417.25
Closing Balance - Cash		£232.72 £3,682.52	£244.67 £3,661.92

2025 Speakers

Mar	Trevor Gilman	£55.00
Jun	Sylvia Mason	£50.00

£105.00

Society No. 2 Account - Projects

		2025	2024
Opening balance - Bank Account		£2,819.76	£3,055.32
Income			
Interest	£30.89		£36.64
		£30.89	£36.64
Expenditure			
Printing Jabez Bradwell Diary	£0.00		£223.00
Gazebo	£98.99		£6.00
Domain name renewal	£6.00		£6.00
Website hosting	£43.20		£43.20
Chistmas tree	£47.94		
		£196.13	£278.20
Closing Balance - Bank Account		£2,654.52	£2,819.76

Signed

A.S. Smith Andy Smith (Treasurer)
I. Stewart Ian Stewart (Chairman)

I have examined the books and vouchers of the
Bradwell Historical Society and find that the accounts
are in accordance therewith.

Signed *P. Mackey* P Mackey

Date *8/1/2026*

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Value of Society at 31/12/2025 **£6,337.04** **£6,481.68**