

## 1. Essential Upgrades and Sustainability

Funds raised and grant income have covered restructuring costs and significant improvements. Notably, new environmental controls in the auditorium have enhanced visitor comfort, while the solar panel installation will reduce the £40,000 annual electricity bill by up to 25%. These investments are practical, sustainable, and critical, thanks to supporter contributions.



## 2. New Projects and Technology

Flavel Forever is driving technological improvements, such as an upgraded online ticket system that will streamline purchasing across ticketing, café, and bar services. This integration will cut costs and improve efficiency, with savings covering the investment in new systems and printers. Integration of our bookings package and the accounts package will also ensure accuracy (effectiveness) and ensure savings of time (efficiency) and so be more cost effective (economy).



### **3. Maintaining Safety and Functionality**

After two decades of use, The Flavel requires ongoing investment in safety and essential equipment, from fire evacuation gear to new café flooring and air-conditioning. Flavel Forever allows for these upgrades without waiting for grants, ensuring the venue remains safe, comfortable, and welcoming.

### **4. Community Engagement and Growth**

The campaign has expanded community outreach, including collaborations with local care homes for weekly social events and partnership with Dartmouth Community Chest for family-friendly screenings. Efforts with Dartmouth Youth Club and local schools foster creativity and learning among young people, while joint projects with Libraries Unlimited enhance programming and facilities.



### **5. Expanding the Program**

This year saw a 15% increase in audiences, with a richer program of live events including classical, folk, and rock performances, alongside popular tribute evenings. The café now hosts pre-event meals, adding to The Flavel's lively cultural atmosphere. Plans for next year include doubling live events and exploring conference collaborations.

## **6. Unlocking Grants and Funding**

The campaign is building up the reserves that are vital for securing grants that require matched funding. Out of 13 grant applications, Flavel Forever successfully obtained three, enabling key improvement projects. These funds have not only kept operations running but also supported upgrades that would have been delayed without this financial backing.

Grants have come from the following awarding bodies

- National Lottery – Awards for All – to help fund Youth Choir
- St Petrox Trust, Dartmouth – to help fund solar panels
- Dartmouth Town Council – to help fund consultant advice on effectiveness of the heating and air conditioning system
- South Hams District Council – to help fund solar panels installation
- Alchemy Foundation – to help fund Youth Choir
- The League of Friends – to help fund Youth Choir
- Hadley Trust – to help fund Youth Club activities