

Eynsham Consolidated Charity

Grants to relieve local need hardship or distress

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REPORT FOR THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2020

2019 Figures:

| <u>Receipts</u> | | <u>Payments:</u> | |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Dividends | 5069 | Grants: | |
| Bank Interest | 46 | Individual grants (23) | 3258 |
| Field Rent | 400 | | |
| Donations | <u>1200</u> | <u>Administration</u> | |
| | | Clerk's fee & expenses | 510 |
| | | Auditor's fees | <u>52</u> |
| | | | 3820 |
| | | Surplus carried forward | <u>2895</u> |
| | <u>6715</u> | | <u>6715</u> |

Bank:

Closing balance: £16,114

The Charity's overall income was higher than in the previous year (£6,222 in 2018), as a result of the appeal for the donation of unwanted Winter Fuel Payments, made in the Community News last December. This was even more successful than in the previous year (£850 in 2018) and resulted in the receipt of donations totalling £1,200 to the year end (some more payments were also received afterwards and will appear in the 2020 figures). The Charity's main source of income continues to be from its holdings with the Charities' Official Investment Fund. Periodically any surpluses that may be available are invested in that fund to maintain their capital value.

23 individual grants were made last year (20 in 2018) amounting to £3,258 (£3,451 in 2018). As usual, a number of grants were made in January in the form of cash payments to help needy OAPs with their heating costs. Other specific grants, for example, were made towards a stairlift, the cost of white goods (washing machines, etc), necessary clothing, special equipment for persons with disabilities, essential furniture, and sundry urgent debts. Often grants are made to families with multiple health problems or other severe difficulties.

The Charity can, of course, make grants to persons of any age in the Parish of Eynsham and Freeland, provided the grant is to relieve need, hardship or distress. The Charity continues to advertise for applications by placing advertisements periodically in local publications, and on the village website.

The trustees meet quarterly, in May, September, November and February. The next meeting is on 18 May. Grants can be applied for (either by or on behalf of a person in need, hardship or distress) by emailing or writing to the Clerk or by applying to any of the trustees. The Charity maintains a sub-committee which is available at short notice to give consideration to urgent cases which may arise between meetings. Trustees living in Eynsham are Dr Max Peterson (Chairman), Julie Jordan, Andy Mosson, Carl Rylett, DaNick Relph, Derek Malin, and the Vicar, Duncan Fraser. The Vicar of Freeland (new appointee awaited) and an appointee of the Freeland Parish Council (Mike Foster) also serve as trustees.