

Eynsham Consolidated Charity

Grants to relieve local need hardship or distress

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REPORT FOR THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2022

2021 Figures:

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments:</u>	
Dividends	5344	Grants: Individual grants (25)	3218
Field Rent	400		
Donations	1550	<u>Administration</u>	
Other	90	Clerk's fee & expenses	523
		Auditor's fees	54
		Surplus carried forward	<u>3589</u>
	7384		7384

Bank:

Closing balance: £12,663

The Charity's overall income was almost the same as in the previous year (£8,008 in 2020), as a result of the appeal for the donation of unwanted Winter Fuel Payments, made in the Community News last December. 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 – an investment was made in 2021.

25 individual grants were made last year (27 in 2020) amounting to £3,218 (£4,482 in 2020). As usual, a number of grants were made in January in the form of cash payments to help needy residents with their heating costs. Other specific grants, for example, were made towards the cost of white goods (washing machines, etc), necessary clothing, special equipment for persons with disabilities, essential furniture, bicycle equipment, 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. 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 Andy Mosson (Chairman), Dr Max Peterson, Jane Osborne, Carl Rylett, Nick Relph, Derek Malin, and the Vicar, Duncan Fraser. The Vicar of Freeland (Steve Stewart) and an appointee of the Freeland Parish Council (Mike Foster) also serve as trustees.