Woodton United Charities

Annual Report 2020 for Woodton Parish Council

Registered Charity Name: Woodton United Charities

Registered charity number: 207531

Financial year: 1st January to 31st December

Current Trustees and their roles:

Revd Liz Billett Chairman and Ex-Officio Trustee

Ian Butler Nominated Trustee & Vice Chair (as from 29 January 2018)

Mike Wickstead Nominated Trustee by PC (term of office started 27 July 2017)

Ronni Knights Co-opted Trustee & Treasurer (term of office started 27 July 2017)

Mike Beckett Co-opted Trustee (term of office started 9 May 2019)

Andrew McCrostie Co-Opted Trustee (term of office started 23 April 2018)

Annie Phillips Co-Opted Trustee (term of office started 7 Nov 2019)

Correspondent and Minute-taker: Daphne Littleboy

Independent Examiner of the annual accounts: Newman & Co Accountants

Achievements and Performance

Throughout the year, grants were issued for a wide range of good causes (see Financial Review below).

The Trustees continue to work closely with our land agents, Brown & Co, and our solicitors, Leathes Prior, to achieve the best possible return from our land assets for the residents of Woodton.

During 2020 there were no official ordinary meetings of the trustees due to the COVID-19 pandemic & restrictions to hold public meetings. The trustees conversed via email for all decision making where a majority vote was recorded for the record keeping.

Financial Review

Total income for 2020 was £11,405.24, with £4,542.73 coming from cash investment dividends, £5,655.62 from retained dividends, £164.12 from interest, £41.77 from wayleaves and £1,001.00 from rent of land.

Grants totalling £11,683.14 were issued during 2020. These included:

- Support for residents with their heating fuel costs (£951.74 in total)
- Five grants towards funeral expenses (£1,250 in total)
- Three general grants for community projects & residents (£5,721.40 in total)
- Seven COVID-19 grants for residents (inc food boxes totalling £300) (£2,800 in total)
- Annual grants made to local residents at Christmas (£960 in total)

The Charities still retains approximately 5.8 acres of land in Geldeston.