

## **East Woodhay Charities – 2022/23 Report to Annual Parish Meeting (May 2023)**

**East Woodhay Charities** are made up of two charities: Relief in Need and Relief in Sickness. In 2022 income came from investments. Any resident in the civil parish may apply in time of need or sickness to the Trustees for support. This is advertised through Spectrum, notices at the Post Office and Surgery, Parish Council website and by word of mouth.

**Trustees:** East Woodhay Charities has a board of five trustees. The Trustees meet twice a year to administer charities' business. The Rector is ex-officio and chair. There are two nominative trustees appointed by the Parish Council each for a four year term and two co-optative trustees appointed by the trustees each for a five year term.

In 2022/23 trustees were: **The Rector** (Chair),

**Nominative trustees:** **Mrs Susan Cooper** and Mrs Claire Mitchell until July 2022 when she was succeeded by **Mrs Sarah Garland**.

**Co-optative trustees:** **Mrs Mary Harcourt** and **Mr Chris Boreham**. (Mrs Harcourt and Mr Boreham stood down as trustees in March 2023 at the end of their respective terms and the Trustees will appoint new trustees in the next period).

**Secretary:** Mrs Sue Wren

### **Finance 2022/23**

The combined investments at 1.3.2023 were valued at c.£210,500.

The combined income from the investments for the financial year ending 31.3.23 was £6290.06

### **Disbursements in financial year 2022/23:**

Following the sale of Trustees land in 2021 and the investment of proceeds, income has increased significantly as was expected. In the summer of 2022 the Trustees reviewed the process for the allocation of grants and introduced an application form and procedure for considering grants for fuel, hardship and student book/technology. The form could be requested in person or was made available through the Charities webpage on the Parish Council website. Using this new approach grants totalling £2,600 were given during the financial year across all categories.

The Trustees hope that as this system becomes more embedded that more residents of the civil parish will become aware of this potential provision of financial support.

*The Revd Canon Christine Dale: May 2023*