

THE GREAT SHELFORD PAROCHIAL CHARITIES

(Registered Charity 231486)

Trustees Annual Report 1.1.2021 – 31.12.2021

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The Trustees meet every second month.

Key achievements / progress in 2021

Current homes

Mores Meadow homes remained fully occupied at social rents. We continue a programme of planned maintenance and refurbishment. Qualifying new residents have moved in following advertising of available homes.

New homes

Work progresses on the build of a further 21 Alms houses on the land behind Mores Meadow These will offer 1, 2 and 3 bedrooms homes. We continue to look for funding support for this venture.

Individual and other grants

Qualifying Great Shelford residents have received support through collaborative work with John Huntingdon's Charity in Sawston. This has resulted in much improved access to other benefits and grants available to individuals. We have noticed an increase in need for emergency food support over this year.

The Charity worked with others to provide Christmas food hampers and food vouchers again this year.

This was made possible thanks to generous donations of £500 from Shelford Free Church, a further £200 in total from individual donors, plus donations of food from Shelford Co-op and other well-wishers. A special thanks go to the staff at the Co-op who also gave their time to pack the bags. The Parochial Charities added £50 food vouchers to the bags destined for needy Great Shelford families.

We have provided grants to qualifying organisations supporting the village especially those impacted by the cancellation of the feast.

Green space

The six acres of land are for everyone to use. All the allotments are actively used. The community garden is run by volunteers and used by both individuals and groups - a local nursing home is planning a sensory garden which will be attractive for their residents. Saplings and trees have been planted by village primary school students, individuals as part of Duke of Edinburgh awards scheme, and village volunteers. Over 250 have been planted to date. The space is being used for recreation and as a place just to sit and enjoy. A bench has been ordered to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen

Constitution

The Charity has started the process to update its constitution and 'objects' to better serve the village in the future.

Keeping the village informed

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Thank you

We are very grateful for the donations, grants and volunteer work which helps us to support the village.

Dr. S.F. Rann: Chair 31st March 2022

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