The Poors Estate and Others

Nafferton Feoffees Charities Trust (Charity Number 232796)

Annual Report of the Trustees 2021

The Trustees 2021

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Structure and Governance

The three charities known as the Poors Trust, the Town Trust, and the John Baron Trust covering the ecclesiastical parish of Nafferton, Wansford, and Pockthorpe, are operated together, and known as the Nafferton Feoffees Charities Trust. The scheme incorporates the schemes of 1890, 1960, and John Baron's Will of 1709, regulated by the revised scheme of 1974. It also now incorporates the Charities of Alice Jefferson of 1939, the Charity of Mary Jefferson of 1940, and the Charity of Thomas Paul Jefferson in the matter of the Charities Act 1960, and additionally the Charity of George Hodgson of 1874 in the matter of the Charities Act of 1960 and 1980, and the merging Scheme of September 2020.

There are 9 trustees of the scheme. These comprise of two nominated trustees from Nafferton Parish Council and one nominated trustee from Wansford Parish Council (all 4-year appointments), with 6 co-opted trustees (5-year appointments). Co-opted trustees can be proposed for consideration by nomination; persons with appropriate skills have the opportunity to offer themselves for selection, and appointment.

Grants and disbursements are normally spent annually and derived from interest or dividends from invested capital funds, and income from rental of property and agricultural land. However, the Trustees may carry funds over from one year to another to enable disbursements to be deferred or larger, in any one year as decided by the Trustees. Capital Funds may only be used for the purchase of property, exceptional equipment, or land for the benefit of the Parish. On disposal of any property, or land asset, the proceeds shall be returned to investment capital. The objectives of the Trust are;

- To provide assistance to people in special hardship in the Parish.
- Bursaries may be provided for students.
- Grants may be made for school students for study trips and projects etc.

- Funding shall be available for the enhancement and development for public benefit of village community facilities and recreation grounds and play areas in the Parish.
- Funding support for village institutions and groups which are of value to the community within the parish, including children's and youth groups.
- To manage The Parks, Nafferton, as an area of local amenity with access for the public via the public footpath.

Financial Review

The total assets of the Trust at Dec 2020 were £1,434,134 (£1,189,713 in 2020). This includes the property and land owned by the Trusts (£416,075), which have been actively managed and maintained during the year, but the main asset is invested funds in Bank deposits and Investment Funds with CCLA of £985,181.

The income generated from these assets and other financial investments was $\pounds 33,790$, ($\pounds 36,709$ in 2020). This has enabled grants and disbursements of $\pounds 28,906$ to be made during the year.

Administration expenses incurred by the Trust ($\pounds 2404$) in the year were largely due to maintenance costs of the cottages.

The Charity Trust does not act as custodian trustees for any other Charities.

Achievements and Performance

The Trustees of Nafferton Feoffees Charities Trust have had four meetings during the year of 2020, but due to Covid restrictions two of these have been held by Zoom. Capt. Paul Nicholson resigned from his role as Trustee due to his relocation. His place as a co-opted Trustee was taken by Mrs Margaret Buckton and a new Parish Council appointed Trustee appointed, Mr Steve Sharp.

As in previous years, the largest disbursements in the last year have been for the Scholarship scheme. Other recipients of grants have once again been several village groups and youth organisations, and individual young people to help with their wider educational and sporting needs, and towards furthering the fabric and appearance of the village of Nafferton. The Trust also supported Nafferton WI, Nafferton in Bloom, portable floodlights for the Recreation club, and in addition a substantial grant for a replacement Yurt at Nafferton Primary School, enabling pupils to have additional space for classes, meetings etc.

The Trust continues to fund its annual scholarships (the scheme is now in its nineteenth year), to two local students entering University on a degree course, for their course duration- they receive £2100 and £1500pa. We have funded additional smaller awards too. The bursary recipients continue to express their gratitude for the support, and enthusiastically report their progress to us. The trustees have agreed to award two bursaries for the next financial year and continue to explore other ways to help non-university students develop skills and gain qualifications locally too.

During the past year the Trust has finally completed the merger and transfer of the assets of the Jefferson Hodgson Trust with the Nafferton Feoffees Charities Trust. This merger brings the Charities together with substantial financial security to continue to support common aims and objectives to support the village of Nafferton. This will bring about an opportunity of investment in the Parks to provide

improvements for community benefit, including investment in the grass management, planting of trees, a wildflower area, and some new fencing and gates.

The Trust has also committed to provide substantial financial support to the Methodist Church Refurbishment Plan which will provide much more flexible accommodation for groups and activites within the village, in addition to a modern fit for purpose area for worship. It is hoped that this project will come to fruition within the near future.

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties during 2021.

Report Confirmed by Trustees

<u>Date</u>; at the AGM of the Trustees on Tuesday 5th April 2022 this report was approved.

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5th April 2022