



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	January	2020		31 st	December	2020

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Thetford Municipal & United Almshouse Charity

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1059877

Charity's principal address

2 Primrose Close

Thetford

Norfolk

Postcode

IP24 2XD

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs S Armes			
2	Mr G C Bass	Clerk		
3	Mrs B Canham			Thetford Town Council
4	Mr D Crawford			Thetford Town Council
5	Mrs J James	Treasurer		
6	Mr T J Lamb			
7	Mr A Paines			
8	Mrs P Pearson			
9	Mr M Spencer	Vice Chairman		
10	Mrs P Spencer	Chairman		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Two appointed by Thetford Town Council Co-opted Trustees appointed from suitable local people

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Almshouse Charity is administered by Thetford Municipal & United Charities with the same Trustees as two other local charities:
Sir Joseph Williamson Charity for the Poor No 208265
Charity of Sir Joseph Williamson for Apprenticing 311108

The main risks would be the inability of finding a resident for a vacant property. Additionally there is adequate Insurance against Fire etc.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Provision and maintenance of almshouses for elderly/old people, and the welfare of the residents

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Only public benefit is to provide pleasant cottages for elderly local people.
 Keeping the almshouses in good repair and ensuring the facilities of the properties are kept up to date.
 The trustees always try to follow the guidance of the Charity Commission and The Almshouse Association.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

A large amount of money has been spent on repair and renewal of a 17th Century wall at the rear of two almshouses.
 All trustees are volunteers and make a considerable contribution to the work and welfare of the almshouse residents

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Maintaining contact with the residents and ensuring properties are well maintained.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charities have very considerable reserves which invested by a firm recommended by The Almshouse Association.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds are in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The resident pay a monthly maintenance charge which is regularly reviewed.

Expenditure has only been spent on maintenance of almshouses, water and sewerage, Television licences.

Investments are divided between deposit accounts, income investments and accumulation units.

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Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date

THETFORD MUNICIPAL & UNITED ALMSHOUSE CHARITY

Statement of receipts and Payments for the year 1st January, 2020 to 31st December, 2020

		2019		2020
£	£		£	£
RECEIPTS				
Housing charges				
20,025.00		Weekly maintenance charges	19,125.00	
<u>2,699.84</u>	22,724.84	Housing Benefit	<u>4,056.63</u>	23,181.63
Investment Income				
17.65		COIF Deposit Account	6.56	
<u>2,299.97</u>	2317.62	COIF Income dividends	<u>2,346.58</u>	2,353.14
	<u>25,042.46</u>			<u>25,534.77</u>
PAYMENTS				
Administration				
250.00		Subs to Almshouse Association	439.00	
22.50		T.V. Licencing	30.00	
213.42		Council Tax on empty properties	.00	
1,062.67		Insurances	1,082.92	
120.00		Publications & advertising		
<u>27.60</u>	1,696.19	Postage		1,551.92
Buildings				
11,282.72		Major repairs	31,395.33	
<u>2,042.00</u>	13,324.72	Routine repairs & maintenance	<u>2,794.89</u>	34,190.22
Other charges				
1,526.93		Water & Sewerage charges	1,954.14	
542.85		Electricity	197.33	
<u>1,600.88</u>	3,670.66	Piper Alarm system	<u>1,169.48</u>	3,320.95
	<u>18,691.57</u>	TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>39,063.09</u>
6,350.89		Surplus/Deficit for year	-13,528.32	
33752.87	33,752.87	Balance brought forward 01/01/20	40,103.76	
	<u>40,103.76</u>	Trans to COIF Investments		
		Balance Carried forward 31/12/20		<u>26,575.44</u>

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10 October 2021

To the Trustees of:

Thetford Municipal & Untied Almshouse Charity (1059877)

Sir Joseph Williamson for the Poor (208265-9)

Sir Joseph Williamson for Apprenticing (311108)

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed the examination the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020. I can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that the requirement to keep proper records has not been met. No other concerns were identified.

Yours faithfully



Emma Krelle

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