

# CHICHESTER WELFARE TRUSTS

England & Wales · Charity number 1151886

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2013-05-03

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY IN THE CITY OF CHICHESTER AND ITS ADJOINING CIVIL PARISHES BY PROVIDING GRANTS, ITEMS AND SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED AND/OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY.

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## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

## Geography

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- West Sussex

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£1,945	£6,445	-	-
2024-06-30	£1,903	£4,987	-	-
2023-06-30	£90,023	£80,001	-	-
2022-06-30	£13,002	£16,550	-	-
2021-06-30	£13,002	£16,550	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Clare Apel	Chair	2020-05-01
Fr Angus Reid		2024-11-01
Joanne Kondabeka		2023-12-05
Ruth Vivienne Campbell		2022-01-21
Sarah Adams		2025-09-01

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**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INVESTMENTS AS AT 1 JULY 2025</b>		
Barclays Bank Community Account	12,874	5,290
Charinco Investment Fund	13,609	13,645
Rathbones Investment	0	0
COIF Investment Fund	65,377	67,566
<b>Opening Totals</b>	<b>91,859</b>	<b>86,501</b>
 <b>DEDUCT EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
Interest Received		
Charinco Investment Fund	0	0
CCLA investment	1,903	1,945
Donations		
Cash Deposit	0	0
Credit from realisation of Rathbones Investment	0	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1,903</b>	<b>1,945</b>
 <b>Expenditure</b>		
Welfare Grants	4,487	5814
Miscellaneous admin costs	500	631.05
Purchase of COIF Investment	0	0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>4,987</b>	<b>6,445</b>
 <b>EXCESS INCOME/ EXPENDITURE</b>	 <b>-2,084</b>	 <b>-3,238</b>
Unrealised profits/ losses on investments	-15	36
<b>Closing Totals</b>	<b>88,569</b>	<b>95,133</b>
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Represented by -		
<b>INVESTMENTS AT 30 JUNE 2024</b>		
Barclays Bank Community Account	9,790	12,874
Charinco Investment Fund	13,624	13,609
Rathbones Investment	0	0
COIF Investment Fund	70,795	65,377
	<b>94,209</b>	<b>91,859</b>
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The financial records of the Trust have been duly examined for the year ended 30 June 2025, and the above Statement is a true and accurate record of the position of the Trust at that date.



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## CHICHESTER WELFARE TRUST – CHAIRMAN’S REPORT STATEMENT 2023-2024

As a registered charity, **Chichester Welfare Trust** is committed to relieving poverty and hardship within the City of Chichester and the adjoining parishes. Our primary focus is to provide grants, essential items, and services to individuals and families experiencing financial difficulty or facing unexpected challenges.

During the past year, we have provided **welfare grants totalling £4,487**, supporting local residents who are struggling to meet basic needs. These grants have made a significant difference in the lives of many by covering essential costs such as **carpets, curtains, nursery school fees, household appliances**, and other critical items that improve living conditions and provide comfort and security in difficult times.

Our ability to offer this financial support relies heavily on the responsible management of our charitable reserves. We are pleased to report that our investments are being **carefully managed to achieve maximum returns**, enabling us to reinvest these funds directly back into the community through our grant program. This prudent financial stewardship ensures that the Trust remains sustainable and continues to serve those in need for years to come.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to **Ruth Taunt**, our dedicated Welfare Officer, for her tireless work in identifying and reaching those in greatest need. Ruth works closely with **West Sussex County Council (WSCC)** and other local agencies to ensure that **vulnerable individuals and families** are aware of the support available and can access the help they require. Her compassionate approach and extensive local knowledge are invaluable to the Trust's mission.

In addition, we are deeply grateful to our **Clerk, Clare de Bathe**, for her meticulous oversight of the Trust's investments. Clare's expertise and attention to detail have ensured that our financial resources are **well-managed and optimized**, allowing us to make the greatest possible impact within our community. Her dedication to the Trust's work has helped to safeguard its future and ensure that **vital support continues to reach those who need it most**.

As we look ahead, Chichester Welfare Trust remains committed to providing **practical and meaningful assistance** to local individuals and families. Through careful management of our resources and collaboration with key partners, we will continue to play a vital role in **supporting those facing financial hardship and improving quality of life across the region**.

We thank everyone involved in the work of the Trust – our staff, trustees, and supporters – for their ongoing efforts and contributions to making a positive difference in our community

Clare Apel, Chair January 2025

**CHICHESTER WELFARE TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INVESTMENTS AS AT 1 JULY 2024</b>		
Barclays Bank Community Account	2,852	12,874
Charinco Investment Fund	14,855	13,609
Rathbones Investment	88,727	0
COIF Investment Fund	0	65,377
<b>Opening Totals</b>	<b>106,433</b>	<b>91,859</b>
<b>DEDUCT EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
Interest Received		
Charinco Investment Fund	0	0
CCLA investment		1,903
Donations		
Cash Deposit	0	0
Credit from realisation of Rathbones Investment	90,023	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>90,023</b>	<b>1,903</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Welfare Grants	14,219	4,487
Miscellaneous admin costs	782	500
Purchase of COIF Investment	65,000	0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>80,001</b>	<b>4,987</b>
<b>EXCESS INCOME/ EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>15,001</b>	<b>4,987</b>
Unrealised profits/ losses on investments	426	7,336
<b>Closing Totals</b>	<b>91,859</b>	<b>94,208</b>
	=====	=====
Represented by -		
<b>INVESTMENTS AT 30 JUNE 2024</b>		
Barclays Bank Community Account	12,874	9,790
Charinco Investment Fund	13,609	13,624
Rathbones Investment	0	0
COIF Investment Fund	65,377	70,795
	<b>91,859</b>	<b>94,209</b>
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**Hon Treasurer - Clare de Bathe**

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## CHICHESTER WELFARE TRUST – CHAIRMAN’S REPORT STATEMENT 2021 -2022

As a registered charity Chichester Welfare Trust aims to relieve poverty and hard ship in the City of Chichester and the adjoining parishes by providing grants, items and services to individuals and families in need.

The welfare grants which have been made this year amount to the value of £9197.56p. Our investments are well managed to ensure we gain the maximum potential income on these reserves so that we can reinvest this return in grants and to those in need. The small but essential donations have been for carpets and curtains, help with nursery school fees, machines etc. etc. Ruth Taunt our wonderful welfare officer has been working with WSCC ensuring that those in most need are getting help. We have also helped Sanctuary in Chichester with funding for Afghan refugee families.

Thanks to our wonderful clerk Clare de Bathe, our investments are being very well managed to gain the most benefit to help so many people who are in need. Our previous very caring chair Nick Taunt resigned to pursue pastures new. I must thank him for all he did for the charity. I have now taken over as the chair and I am privileged to be involved with this brilliant charity.

We were very sad to hear of the death of Michael Woolley a previous chair who did so much for Chichester Welfare Trust.

Again I want to thank Clare de Bathe and Ruth Taunt for all they do. Also thank you to all the trustees who give us good support.

Clare Apel

Chair November 2022

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

	2020 £	2021 £
<b>INVESTMENTS AS AT 1 JULY 2020</b>		
Barclays Bank Community Account	11,762.78	8,511.79
Charinco Investment Fund	18,745.30	19,432.30
Rathbones Investment	84,163.00	85,173.00
<b>Opening Totals</b>	<b>114,671.08</b>	<b>113,117.09</b>
 <b>DEDUCT EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
Interest Received		
Charinco Investment Fund	921.75	687.00
Donations		
Cash Deposit	5,800.00	12,315.64
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>6,721.75</b>	<b>13,002.64</b>
 <b>Expenditure</b>		
Welfare Grants	9,072.74	16,200.21
Miscellaneous Postage & Telephone costs	600.00	350.00
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>9,672.74</b>	<b>16,550.21</b>
 <b>EXCESS INCOME/ EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>-3,250.99</b>	<b>-3,097.57</b>
Unrealised profits/ losses on investments	1,697.00	14,314.52
<b>Closing Totals</b>	<b>113,117.09</b>	<b>124,334.04</b>
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 Represented by -		
<b>INVESTMENTS AT 30 JUNE 2021</b>		
Barclays Bank Community Account	8,511.79	5,414.22
Charinco Investment Fund	19,432.30	24,826.82
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## Chichester Welfare Trusts Chairman's Report April 2020 – March 2021

*As a registered charity the Chichester Welfare Trusts aims to relieve poverty in the City of Chichester and the adjoining civil parishes by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need. We also work with other organisations to prevent or relieve poverty.*

With the onset of the Covid pandemic and subsequent lockdown, CWT agreed to facilitate the work of the Mayor's Hardship Fund, set up in May 2020 by Mr Richard Plowman, Mayor of Chichester. CWT'S contribution took the form of the services of our Treasurer, Clare de Bathe, in administering the £11k Fund and our Welfare Officer, Ruth Taunt, in assessing requests and recommending support for some 51 local individuals and families to date. Some of the larger requests were directly taken on by CWT. The Mayor's Hardship Fund looks set to close shortly, and Clare and Ruth are to be awarded a certificate of appreciation by the Mayor.

CWT made grants in the financial year 2020-21 for a further 11 individuals and families with local connexions, to a value of £5000. These consisted of four requests for floor coverings, six for domestic items (eg fridges, cookers, washing machines) and one contribution for the elimination of rats from a property. This last, a co-ordinated project involving Community Mental Health, District Council Environmental Health, and local community groups, was a good demonstration of CWT's flexibility in working with other agencies to support those most in need in Chichester and the adjoining Civil Parishes.

During the year, the CWT Board expressed a concern that many families who had been allocated social housing were unable to afford any form of floor covering. We felt that floor coverings should be part of the basic housing provision, and agreed to raise the issue with the City Council and Housing Associations.

Our investments are being professionally managed to ensure we gain the maximum potential income on these reserves that so that we can reinvest this return in grants and funding those in need.

Michael Woolley, CWT Chair, resigned in November 2020 due to ill health. He brought a strong sense of directing CWT's attention to the most vulnerable in our society, and appreciated the real service that a small charity like CWT can perform in the local community. We welcomed to the Board Tom Polhill, from Chichester District Council Rough Sleepers, Fiona Wheeler from Stonepillow Housing First, and Ruth Campbell, Head of Chichester Nursery, whose advice was much appreciated.

Many thanks to Clare de Bathe, Clerk & Treasurer and Ruth Taunt, Welfare Officer, for their sterling work in difficult circumstances this year, and to the whole Board of Trustees for their work and support.

Nick Taunt  
Chair  
April 2021



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