

Annual Report

CATTISTOCK
COMMUNITY FUND

Funding our future

Reg Charity No 1166978

The CCF has had a year that has included a range of applications for funding, and some similarly small payments for annual activities. Applications have been received from a number of existing established institutions in the village and no applications have been refused, although a small number have had recommended the possibility of match funding as part of the application process.

The fund was originally established to support organisations such as the Church, Savill Hall, Cricket, Football, and Tennis Clubs. In more recent year's funding has been more varied, and has supported a number of celebratory events such as the Queens Jubilee and the Coronation. We endeavour to support events and initiatives which have very much focused on community, enhancing life and amenities for all to enjoy. We also endeavour to help by giving advice, support and guidance where needed.

In the last year we have paid for the following applications:

- The Swift Action project started in 2023 providing boxes for swifts to nest in. The project was approved and completed in May 2024.
- CADS – Restoration and renewal of stage set with new materials and upgrade of sound and lighting control position backstage. The project was approved and completed in October 2024.

We have also approved, received or given advice for the following applications:

- **The Parochial Church of St Peter & St Paul**, replacement dial drive with a Stepper Motor Control. The work is now complete and the outstanding invoice is now received and ready for payment.
- Supply of a **defibrillator in Chilfrome**. An offer of partial funding was made along with advice and guidance on differing options for rural communities. The residents have recently confirmed that the British Heart Foundation have agreed to supply the defibrillator and Chilfrome residents are now pursuing the installation needs with further guidance requested to help them do this.
- To provide funds for a replacement lawn mower to the **Cattistock Lawn Tennis Club**. An offer of partial funding was made along with advice and guidance on the various options that would enable the tennis club to move forward with the purchase. We understand the club will continue as normal this year and have plans in place to raise some funds through promotion during the latter part of the year. The application remains pending to help support the Tennis Club when they are ready.
- **The Cattistock Cricket Club**. An initial application was received for the replacement of training nets damaged during the winter storms. An offer of partial funding was made to support the cricket club. After consideration the cricket club had also been offered funding through another means, which was accepted. A revised application has this week been received for matting to help complete the project which is currently under review with the Trustees.

Other ongoing initiatives included:

- The ongoing maintenance costs of the Village Website
- Wine for the Christmas Community Lunch

In my view all of these are very worthwhile causes that help to bring the community together and also provide a balance of both financial and informed guidance to help make things happen when needed.

During my first year as Chair, I have realised that the CCF needs to be a lot more than a group of trustees who administer applications for funds. Each of the Trustees in 2024 have been very active in helping to promote and explain what the CCF can do for the community and explain ways we as Trustees can ensure funds continue to be available for projects. The Trustees meet regularly to review applications and share ideas on how we can continually improve. Each Trustee will use their knowledge and experience to provide support for projects, not just financially but also by giving advice, support and guidance on the best way forward, with each application considered under its own merit. With so much 'external' funding available to support community projects, the CCF endeavour to take a match funding approach for larger projects and offer support where needed in gaining those funds. This can be challenging at times but having that experience and knowledge within the group of Trustees definitely helps.

My first year as Chair has focused on ensuring the Trustees came together regularly, have the opportunity to actively participate and support where needed whilst ensuring tasks were shared across the Trustees. We also operated with six Trustees very adequately although we are always interested in anyone that wishes to join us. Our intention for 2025 is to continue with activities that help promote the CCF and to remind people that we are there to help if we can. We will also be focusing on streamlining information that is held for all Trustees to have full and open access at any time. The CCF continues to be in its formative years but is evolving and I believe adapting to the requirements of the village, whilst supporting some great causes.

I would like to thank everyone for the help and time given this year to ensure requests for support were adequately dealt with and to share with people what the CCF is and how we can potentially help when needed. I feel confident that we can continue guiding and supporting anyone applying for funding in the year ahead with a strong team all of whom continue to share new ideas. I look forward to seeing the CCF continue to be a strong support to our village in the coming years.

Barbara Evans
Chair
March, 2025

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Annual Return.
Cattistock Community Fund

		1 Jan 24 to 31 Dec 24	1 Jan 23 to 31 Dec 23	1 Jan 22 to 31 Dec 22	1 Jan 21 to 31 Dec 21	1 Jan 20 to 31 Dec 20
Receipts: Donations and Gift Aid						
	easyfundraising	£ 146.87	£ 246.97	£ 275.88	£ 127.39	£ 127.65
	Localgiving.com	£ 2,789.63	£ 137.67	£ 2,870.26	£ 1,820.05	£ 1,097.59
	Amazon Smile		£ 32.32	£ 19.36	£ 23.00	£ 12.92
	Crowdfunder			£ 40.00		
	Dorset Council Impact Grant					£ 998.47
	Dorset Council Grant			£ 3,500.00		
	Cattistock Fete	£ 3,000.00	£ 2,150.00	£ 2,000.00	£ 1,000.00	
	Open Gardens				£ 1,500.00	
	Dorset Knob Throwing	£ 440.00				
	Community Lunch Raffle	£ 225.00	£ 165.00	£ 122.32	£ 88.64	
	Other one-off donations	£ 1,184.83	£ 548.50	£ 200.00	£ 220.00	£ 30.00
	Total Receipts	£ 7,786.33	£ 3,280.46	£ 9,027.82	£ 4,779.08	£ 2,266.63
Payments						
Grants and Donations:						
	Cattistock Village Website	£ 337.00	£ 260.00	£ 205.00	£ 234.99	£ 205.00
	Christmas Gift Packs for Vulnerable Villagers					£ 250.00
	Digital Champions				£ 998.47	
	Easter Gift Packaging				£ 95.51	
	Village Meal by Volunteers				£ 113.23	
	Village Information Board				£ 711.82	
	Ukraine Flag			£ 102.54		
	Queen's Jubilee Lunch			£ 719.44		
	Exercise Equipment for Community Space			£ 8,000.00		
	Digital Champions Flyers			£ 22.00		
	Christmas Tree Lights		£ 73.97			
	King's Coronation Lunch		£ 929.55			
	Community Hub		£ 262.95			
	Short Mat Bowls Club		£ 635.00			
	Swift Action	£ 751.96				
	Cattistock Amateur Dramatic Society	£ 800.00				
	Total grants and donations	£ 1,888.96	£ 2,161.47	£ 9,048.98	£ 2,154.02	£ 455.00
Administrative Costs:						
	Localgiving Annual Membership	£ 180.00	£ 180.00		£ 192.00	£ 96.00
	Wallis Agency (Design)				£ 42.00	
	Printing and Marketing costs				£ 64.50	
	Event Food & Drink	£ 63.00	£ 140.91	£ 174.05		
	Total administrative costs	£ 243.00	£ 320.91	£ 174.05	£ 298.50	£ 96.00
Reconciliation						
	Total Payments	£ 2,131.96	£ 2,482.38	£ 9,223.03	£ 2,452.52	£ 551.00
	Net Receipts/(payments)	£ 5,654.37	£ 798.08	-£ 195.21	£ 2,326.56	£ 1,715.63
	Cash in bank and in hand at beginning of year	£ 19,974.42	£ 19,176.34	£ 19,371.55	£ 17,044.99	£ 15,329.36
	Surplus/(Deficit) for period	£ 5,654.37	£ 798.08	-£ 195.21	£ 2,326.56	£ 1,715.63
	Cash in bank and in hand at end of year	£ 25,628.79	£ 19,974.42	£ 19,176.34	£ 19,371.55	£ 17,044.99