

TRUSTEES REPORT 2023

Business of the Charities has seen a normal year of activity.

It has been a busy year with the sad passing of one of our residents, John Downey at No.3, Clarkes Cottages, and the family of Steve Gleed of 2 Clarkes Cottages deciding to move him into a Care Home resulting in both properties being available for new residents once cleared of personal possessions. No.3 required a full refurbishment and is now occupied by Pam Norris; No.2 was completely refurbished in early 2022 and is now occupied by Linda Bowen.

No.2 Robertsons Cottages which was still to be allocated at the end of the 2022-23 year is now occupied by Debbie Dadds.

Clarkes Cottages had its Quinquennial inspection and R Steele has done most of the remedial works.

There is work still awaiting completion on St John's following its Quinquennial inspection.

There have been a number of day to day management issues which have all been notified to the Vice Chairman/ Chair in Situ and dealt with by the Clerk

An investment meeting with the Independent Examiner was pleasing in that he thought the investments overall are in a very sound position.

After 10 years of negotiation with Babergh the Charities were finally able to purchase the piece of land at the entrance, off Richardsons Road, to the allotments.

The future of the Charities is in a sound position, with all its current residents happy, the allotments working well and the football field calm with no problems with neighbours, so all is well at the moment.

All of this provides a solid springboard for the Charities as it looks to the future for potential growth. The Trustees thanks go to our Clerk for all her hard work that has been done on their behalf over the past year, especially looking after the residents, keeping the accounts and keeping us informed.

Michael Hockley
2023

East Bergholt United Charities Reg. No. 208194

Financial Statement for year ending 30 September 2024

Community Account

<u>Income</u>	2023	2024	<u>Expenditure</u>	2023	2024
	£	£		£	£
Maintenance	34620	42480	Heating	4494	1323
Allotments	913	900	Repairs	3574	2285
Land rents	2275	2815	TV Licences	45	23
Wayleaves	103	103	Insurance	928	891
Investments	1178	1254	Allotment maint	450	155
Resident water	1106	880	Land Registry	0	0
Babergh	0	5	Allotment water	262	221
Damages	<u>277</u>	<u>0</u>	Assoc Fee	196	343
	40472	48437	Clerk	3000	3000
			Hall hire	48	12
			Resident water	1154	1058
			Refurbishment	2337	18417
			Quinquennial	900	0
			Land purchase	37000	0
			Solicitor fee	2464	810
			Standing charge	105	673
			Council tax	0	171
			EPC	<u>0</u>	<u>720</u>
				56957	30102
			Surplus/Deficit		
			For period	<u>-16485</u>	<u>18335</u>

Monetary Assets

Barclays Bank			Reserves		
Community A/c	43940	61568	Bal c/f	145706	129220
Co-op bank	<u>85281</u>	<u>85987</u>	Surplus/Deficit	<u>-16485</u>	<u>18335</u>
	129221	147555		129221	147555

Barclays Bank other

Premium 1	2952	2995
Premium 2	259	263

Shares

Income	33544	36755
Accumulation	<u>804810</u>	<u>915240</u>
	838354	951995

Property Assets

9 Almshouses
7 plots of land

Chairman
Date

Mr N Thomas Independent Examiner
Date

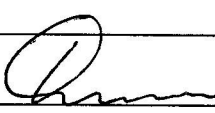


CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	EAST BERGHOLT BERGHOLT UNITED CHARITIES		
On accounts for the year ended	30.9.2024	Charity no (if any)	208194
Set out on pages			
Responsibilities and basis of report	<p>I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above year ended</p> <p>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")</p> <p>I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable provisions of the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.</p>		
<u>Independent examiner's statement</u>	<p>I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters (other than that disclosed below*) in connection with the examination have been identified that I believe that in, any material respect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 13• the accounts do not accord with the accounting records <p>I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding to be reached.</p> <p>* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.</p>		
Signed:			Date: 6.3.25
Name:	NIGEL THOMAS		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	FCA REGULATED UNTIL RETIREMENT 31.3.10		
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Section B

Disclosure