

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES

England & Wales · Charity number 215376

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1963-02-11

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

Contact

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Activities

Objects: 1) PAYMENT TO THE VICAR AND CHURCHWARDENS OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH ST. NICHOLAS, KENILWORTH, FOR THE TIME BEING TO BE APPLIED BY THEM IN THE PURCHASE OF BIBLES, PRAYER BOOKS, TESTAMENTS AND OTHER RELIGIOUS BOOK CONSISTENT WITH THE DOCTRINES AND DISCIPLINES OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FOR POOR PERSONS RESIDENT IN THE AREA. 2) RESIDUE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALMSPEOPLE OF THE CHARITY OF GEORGE DENTON WHO SHALL BE POOR WOMEN OF GOOD CHARACTER WHO WERE BORN IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT OR WHO HAVE RESIDED THEREIN EITHER FOR NOT LESS THAN FIVE YEARS NEXT PRECEDING THE TIME OF APPOINTMENT OR FOR A PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN FIFTEEN CONSECUTIVE YEARS AT ANY TIME. 3) GENERAL BENEFIT OF POOR

Activities: SUPPORT OF ALMSHOUSES. FUNDING CAB OFFICE IN KENILWORTH. INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL HELP.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** ANCIENT PARISH OF KENILWORTH
- Warwickshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£50,428	£43,788	-	-
2023-12-31	£48,799	£57,215	-	-
2022-12-31	£43,197	£47,788	-	-
2021-12-31	£36,789	£27,959	-	-
2020-12-31	£30,143	£25,902	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Helga Bolton	Chair	2013-09-01
Clive Nelson		2015-06-11
Councillor Adrian Marsh		2023-05-04
Councillor Akira Summers		2023-05-04
Councillor Alison Insley		2023-04-05
David Morgan		2022-12-15
George Illingworth		2015-06-11
MADELEINE HAMPER		2011-10-31
PHILLIP GRIFFITHS		2011-10-07
Rev Andrew Attwood		2019-01-01
Rob Blacklock		2022-06-30

Linked charities

- WILLIAM BROOKS (215376-1)
- EDWARD SIMPSON (215376-10)
- THOMAS SUTTON (215376-11)
- THE CHARITY CONSISTING OF THE SHARE OF THE CHARITY OF MARY TURNER (215376-12)
- JOSEPH TYRER (215376-13)
- SHARE OF THE COAT AND GOWN CHARITY OF WILLIAM EDWARDS (215376-14)
- THOMAS EARL OF CLARENDON (215376-2)
- THOMAS COOK (215376-3)
- THOMAS COUNCELL (215376-4)
- GEORGE DENTON (215376-5)
- MARY DOLPHIN (215376-6)
- THE CHARITY CONSISTING OF THE SHARE OF ALICIA DUCHESS DUDLEY'S CHARITY (215376-7)
- THOMAS JOHNSON (215376-8)
- FRANCIS POWER (215376-9)

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Trustees continue to meet with the Beneficiaries annually in order to provide a platform for discussion of any concerns or issues the Beneficiaries may have. This exercise has proved to be invaluable for ensuring good communication channels, relationships and Almshouse improvements. Expenditure for maintaining the Almshouse is considerable in contrast to the other causes we support.

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Such is the demand KUC have increased the funding for an extra counsellor 2 hours per week.

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Assistance to individuals

Individual applications for support from the Charity have been sparse during 2024. The trend is to receive requests for a client from care professionals, such as Family Support workers, Health Visitors, or Citizens' Advice workers or Compassionate Kenilworth. The Trustees have agreed that an upper limit for individual financial support should be secured, and it was agreed to be no more than £2,000, however it is rare to grant more than £1,000 at a time.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

It is pleasing to note that our income from investments continues to increase. This places the Charity in a good position to be able to maintain our commitments and to respond to requests from people and local groups in need of financial assistance.

The investment policy is a conservative one, to maintain an income adequate to support the activities described in this report without depleting the reserve funds.

Expenditure on the Almshouses building has been necessary. The Trustees have a policy of using local tradesmen and small businesses for the on-going upkeep and repairs of the building. Its age and its status as a listed building does not make the task easy.

The weekly maintenance contribution for each flat in the Almshouse remained the same during 2024 which has meant that the ordinary running costs for the Almshouse such as heating, communal electric, laundry appliances and gardening are mainly covered by the charity income.

The grants that we receive from the Alice Duchess of Dudley Charity and the Edwards Coat and Gown Charity remain unchanged. We are grateful for this show of confidence in The United Charities.

The charity is retaining its reserves to fund future charitable activities in line with the governing documents.

The Trustees, as always, wish to record their sincere gratitude to the Clerk, who has supported them cheerfully, relentlessly and efficiently throughout the year, and works tirelessly on behalf of the Charity. A huge Thank You must go to him for keeping charity business on track during 2024 as always.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

We shall continue with our programme of improvements to the Almshouses, to be funded from the Designated Building Fund.

Objectives have been set for 2025. The Trustees have unanimously agreed to continue funding the roles for Citizens' Advice, Compassionate Kenilworth, and the Youth Counsellor and mentor.

We will also look to extend financial support to other community projects within the Town.

We continue to review the roles and responsibilities of our trustees, and also ensure that we meet the needs and requests of the local community as and when we are approached to do so, providing that existing funds are available to do so.

Signed on behalf of the trustees

Mrs H P Bolton
Trustee

.....*Helga Bolton*.....

16 October 2025

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the receipts and payments accounts of Kenilworth United Charities for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Kevin Varney

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25 September 2025

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
RECEIPTS AND (PAYMENTS) ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Unrestricted Funds 2024	Restricted Funds 2024	Endowment Funds 2024	TOTAL 2024	TOTAL 2023
<u>RECEIPTS</u>					
Almshouse maintenance contributions		20,428		20,428	20,060
Donations	18,700			18,700	18,210
Investment income	3,236		8,064	11,300	10,529
Total receipts	<u>21,936</u>	<u>20,428</u>	<u>8,064</u>	<u>50,428</u>	<u>48,799</u>
<u>PAYMENTS</u>					
Almshouse expenditure		(26,033)		(26,033)	(25,054)
Grants and support	(14,520)			(14,520)	(25,430)
Governance costs	-			-	(4,080)
Sub-total	(14,520)	(26,033)	-	(40,553)	(54,564)
Investment income reinvested	(3,235)			(3,235)	(2,651)
Total payments	<u>(17,755)</u>	<u>(26,033)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(43,788)</u>	<u>(57,215)</u>
<u>NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)</u>	<u>4,181</u>	<u>(5,605)</u>	<u>8,064</u>	<u>6,640</u>	<u>(8,416)</u>
<u>FUND TRANSFERS</u>					
General to almshouses	(5,605)	5,605		-	-
Endowment to general	8,064		(8,064)	-	-
<u>CASH (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</u>	<u>6,640</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,640</u>	<u>(8,416)</u>
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 1 JANUARY</u>					
Bank current accounts	16,219		11,522	27,741	36,157
Bank deposit accounts	35		-	35	35
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER</u>	<u>22,894</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,522</u>	<u>34,416</u>	<u>27,776</u>

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Unrestricted General Funds 2024	Unrestricted Designated Building fund 2024	Restricted Almshouse Fund 2024	Restricted Repairs Fund 2024	Other Endowment Funds 2024	Denton Endowment Funds 2024	TOTAL 2024	TOTAL 2023
Cash Funds								
Bank current accounts	22,858				10,116		32,974	26,335
Bank deposit accounts	36				1,406		1,442	1,441
Total cash funds	22,894	-	-	-	11,522	-	34,416	27,776
Investment assets								
COIF deposit accounts		63,034			14,849		77,883	74,648
M&G - National Association of Almshouses Common Investments					1,175		1,175	1,137
COIF Charities investment Fund - income units					36,061	249,637	285,698	279,386
COIF Charities investment Accumulation units	12,566	483,341		362,978			858,885	817,309
Total investment assets	12,566	546,375	-	362,978	52,085	249,637	1,223,641	1,172,480
Assets retained for charity's own use								
Almshouses at High St, Kenilworth			800,000				800,000	800,000
Total assets	35,460	546,375	800,000	362,978	63,607	249,637	2,058,057	2,000,256
Liabilities								
Unpaid bills							-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Mrs H P Bolton.....*Helga Bolton*

16 October 2025

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The two parishes may send representatives in place of the vicar. St Nicholas Parish has opted to do so and so has The Rev. Andrew Atwood of St John's Church. They attend meetings and contribute to the management of the charity. The newly appointed St Johns representative attends meetings in place of Andrew Attwood.

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Trustee

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Date:.....

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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2 December 2024

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
RECEIPTS AND (PAYMENTS) ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted Funds 2023	Restricted Funds 2023	Endowment Funds 2023	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
<u>RECEIPTS</u>					
Almshouse maintenance contributions		20,060		20,060	18,650
Donations	18,210			18,210	16,500
Investment income	2,651		7,878	10,529	8,047
Total receipts	20,861	20,060	7,878	48,799	43,197
<u>PAYMENTS</u>					
Almshouse expenditure		(25,054)		(25,054)	(12,206)
Grants and support	(25,430)			(25,430)	(34,874)
Governance costs	(4,080)			(4,080)	(123)
Sub-total	(29,510)	(25,054)	-	(54,564)	(47,203)
Investment income reinvested	(2,651)			(2,651)	(585)
Total payments	(32,161)	(25,054)	-	(57,215)	(47,788)
<u>NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)</u>	(11,300)	(4,994)	7,878	(8,416)	(4,591)
<u>FUND TRANSFERS</u>					
General to almshouses	(4,994)	4,994		-	-
Endowment to general	7,878		(7,878)	-	-
<u>CASH (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</u>	(8,416)	-	-	(8,416)	(4,591)
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 1 JANUARY</u>					
Bank current accounts b/fwd	24,636		11,522	36,158	40,749
Bank deposit accounts b/fwd	35			35	35
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER</u>	16,255	-	11,522	27,777	36,193

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted General Funds 2023	Unrestricted Designated Building fund 2023	Restricted Almshouse Fund 2023	Restricted Repairs Fund 2023	Other Endowment Funds 2023	Denton Endowment Funds 2023	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
Cash Funds								
Bank current accounts	16,219				10,116		26,335	34,753
Bank deposit accounts	35				1,406		1,441	1,441
Total cash funds	16,254	-	-	-	11,522	-	27,776	36,194
Investment assets								
COIF deposit accounts		59,962			14,686		74,648	71,997
M&G - National Association of Almshouses Common Investments					1,137		1,137	1,118
COIF Charities investment Fund - income units					35,264	244,122	279,386	255,874
COIF Charities investment Accumulation units	12,566	459,336		345,407			817,309	727,336
Total investment assets	12,566	519,298	-	345,407	51,087	244,122	1,172,480	1,056,325
Assets retained for charity's own use								
Almshouses at High St, Kenilworth							800,000	800,000
Total assets	28,820	519,298	800,000	345,407	62,609	244,122	2,000,256	1,892,519
Liabilities								
Unpaid bills							-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Mrs H P Bolton.....

Date:.....

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
INVESTMENT ASSET PERFORMANCE REVIEW
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

2023	COIF Deposit Accounts £	M & G Almshouse Funds £	COIF Income Funds £	COIF Accumulation Funds £	TOTAL 2022
Balance at 1st January 2023	71,997	1,118	255,874	727,335	1,056,324
<i>Interest / dividend income rec'd (memo)</i>	494	48	7,334		7,876
<i>Increase / (decrease) market value</i>	2,651	19	23,512	89,974	116,156
<i>Income and capital return £</i>	3,145	67	30,846	89,974	124,032
<i>Percentage on opening balance</i>	4.37%	5.99%	12.06%	12.37%	11.74%
	74,648	1,137	279,386	817,309	1,172,480

2022	COIF Deposit Accounts £	M & G Almshouse Funds £	COIF Income Funds £	COIF Accumulation Funds £	TOTAL 2022
Balance at 1st January 2022	71,413	1,154	289,543	799,256	1,161,366
<i>Interest / dividend income rec'd (memo)</i>	112	44	7,306		7,462
<i>Increase / (decrease) market value</i>	584 (	36) (	33,669) (	71,921)	(105,042)
<i>Income and capital return £</i>	696	8 (	26,363) (	71,921)	(97,580)
<i>Percentage on opening balance</i>	0.97%	0.69%	-9.11%	-9.00%	-8.40%
Balance at 31st December 2022	71,997	1,118	255,874	727,335	1,056,324

2021	COIF Deposit Accounts £	M & G Almshouse Funds £	COIF Income Funds £	COIF Accumulation Funds £	TOTAL 2021
Balance at 1st January 2021	71,406	1,059	253,572	680,880	1,006,917
<i>Interest / dividend income rec'd (memo)</i>	1	42	7,119		7,162
<i>Increase / (decrease) market value</i>	7	95	35,971	118,376	154,449
<i>Income and capital return £</i>	8	137	43,090	118,376	161,611
<i>Percentage on opening balance</i>	0.01%	12.94%	16.99%	17.39%	16.05%
Balance at 31st December 2021	71,413	1,154	289,543	799,256	1,161,366

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
DETAILED RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted General Funds	Unrestricted Designated Building fund	Restricted Almshouse Fund	Restricted Repairs Fund	Other Endowment Funds	Denton Endowment Funds	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
RECEIPTS								
<u>Almshouse maintenance contributions</u>			20,060				20,060	18,650
<u>Donations</u>								
Alice - Duchess Dudley	16,200						16,200	14,700
Edwards Coat & Gown	1,900						1,900	1,800
Other	110						110	-
<u>Investment income</u>								
COIF Deposit interest		2,651			494		3,145	697
Bank interest	1						1	-
COIF dividends					633	6,702	7,335	7,306
					41	7	48	44
Sub-total	18,211	2,651	20,060	-	1,168	6,709	48,799	43,197
Investment sale proceeds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,211	2,651	20,060	-	1,168	6,709	48,799	43,197
PAYMENTS								
<u>Almshouse expenditure</u>								
Utilities			(8,372)				(8,372)	(5,541)
Repairs & maintenance			(12,985)				(12,985)	(3,870)
Insurance & subscriptions			(1,576)				(1,576)	(1,445)
Other			(2,121)				(2,121)	(1,350)
<u>Grants and support</u>							-	-
CAB in CV8	(10,000)						(10,000)	(10,000)
Compassionate Kenilworth	(12,400)						(12,400)	(22,320)
tKc	(3,030)						(3,030)	(1,994)
Other	-						-	(560)
<u>Governance costs</u>							-	-
Accountancy, legals & bank charges	(4,080)						(4,080)	(123)
	(29,510)	-	(25,054)		-		(54,564)	(47,203)
<u>Investment purchases</u>							-	-
<u>Income retained in investments</u>		(2,651)					(2,651)	(585)
<u>Total payments</u>	(29,510)	(2,651)	(25,054)	-	-	-	(57,215)	(47,788)
NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)	(11,299)	-	(4,994)	-	1,168	6,709	(8,416)	(4,591)
<u>Fund transfers</u>								
General to almshouses	(4,994)		4,994				-	-
Endowment to general	7,877				(1,168)	(6,709)	-	-
CASH (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	(8,416)	-	-	-	-	-	(8,416)	(4,591)
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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES

Registered Charity Number: 215376

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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The trustees present their report and the unaudited receipts and payments accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name	Kenilworth United Charities
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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT cont
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Normally the trustees meet quarterly with a formal agenda and minutes at the Town Council Chambers. All meetings in the year were quorate. Between the scheduled meetings there continues to be frequent contact by email and telephone to keep all trustees up to date and also to deal with any urgent requests for assistance which cannot wait until the next full meeting.

Nomination of the nine trustees is as stated in the charity scheme documents. These shall be the vicars of the Parish of St. Nicholas and the Parish of St. John the Evangelist, two trustees nominated by Kenilworth Town Council, and one from Warwick District Council and two or more co-opted trustees. Kenilworth no longer has Justices of the Peace. The vicar at St Johns Parish has nominated another person to represent him at our meetings which is now in place. The vicar of St Nicholas Parish left the post in 2022 and the temporary replacement is Mr David Morgan until a new vicar is appointed.

The two parishes may send representatives in place of the vicar. St Nicholas Parish has opted to do so and so has The Rev. Andrew Atwood of St John's Church. They attend meetings and contribute to the management of the charity. The newly appointed St Johns representative attends meetings in place of Andrew Atwood.

During 2022 Mr M Trewick and Rev S Bailey resigned as Trustees, and their replacements Mr R Blacklock and Mr D Morgan were duly appointed.

Mrs Helga Bolton continues to be the chair of the Charity, with the full approval of the other Trustees.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The United Charities is one of a large group of charities formed 'for the relief of poverty' and our aim is to continue this role with relevance to the circumstances of the 21st century. Eligibility for assistance is restricted to people living within the old parish boundaries of the town but the town has grown enormously since the charity was formed and we are conscious there are many people who are struggling in the present economic climate who may need help. The Trustees were hoping to amend items in the Governing Document in 2020 with the approval of the Charity Commission. We recognise that we need to change existing wording in the document in order to expand the geographical area and also use the term 'Ladies in Need.' However, due to restricted opportunities for discussion the Trustees decided to leave the document as it currently exists, as it does not detract from our main business objectives. No changes have been made to our Governing Document

We are aiming to be available to the town as a whole and to provide assistance to a wide range of people in accordance with the need to be of genuine public benefit. For example, in the past there has perhaps been an - erroneous - impression that the Kenilworth United Charities existed mainly to help older people. This is not true and we have been successful in re-focusing our attention more towards the needs of young people and families with children. The partnership with the Citizens' Advice is of course the chief way in which we reach out to offer help to all members of the community, and continued to do so during 2022

Historically in 2015, the United Charities was approached to assist with funding for introducing a youth counselling service, which was successfully agreed with the Trustees approval. This arrangement continued to be successful during 2022. The Trustees receive an annual report regarding the progress and uptake for each of the services.

During the Pandemic a Covid 19 support group was set up in the town to assist people with genuine needs, and we were approached to provide some financial support if it was required. The Trustees unanimously agreed to support this request. In 2021, the Trustees were approached with a request to contribute to funding a Project Manager of a new Charity called "Compassionate Kenilworth". Again, it was unanimously agreed that Kenilworth United Charities would totally fund this very worthy new role for 12 months. The funding for the Project Leader for Compassionate Kenilworth has been extended for another twelve months.

The Trustees have complied with their duty to have a due regard to the guidance on public benefit, published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT cont
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Almshouses

The Almshouses in High Street are maintained and managed by the charity. During 2022 all four of the Almshouse flats became fully occupied and remain so. The Trustees firmly believe that there is a place for the Almshouses in the 21st century but that they must be well managed and responsive to the needs of local people and not necessarily with practices that may have been followed in the past. The programme of improvements to the building continued during 2022 along with the general upkeep of the building.

Trustees continue to meet with the Beneficiaries annually in order to provide a platform for discussion of any concerns or issues the Beneficiaries may have. This exercise has proved to be invaluable for ensuring good communication channels, relationships and Almshouse improvements. Expenditure for maintaining the Almshouse is considerable in contrast to the other causes we support.

Citizens Advice Bureau

The service provided by the Citizens' Advice Bureau, now known as Citizens Advice in CV8', is funded indirectly by the grants we receive from the Alice Duchess of Dudley Trust which we appreciate very much. The charity has been able to increase the funding of CA hours from four hours per week to six hours, with a full uptake of available appointments and this continues to be the case. An analysis of appointments shows a range of problems, the most numerous being related to benefits and debt. The sessions are held in the Library, in the private interview room, with a staff member of the CA team, with the bookings being made by the Citizens Advice staff. Appointment vacancies are made available each week for last minute drop in requests. The availability of this service has brought forth a previously unmet level of demand, in that new clients are coming to it because it is accessible and local. We are very proud of initiating this project. Citizens Advice keep us updated with an annual report regarding the uptake of the service. During the Pandemic Lockdowns, the Library was closed to the public, however the invaluable service was able to continue via phone links to Citizens Advice helpline which brought forth many requests for support from many avenues of need.

Youth Counselling Service

Kenilworth United Charities agreed to fund a youth counselling service for one day per week, which provides a trained counsellor to deliver a counselling surgery for young people of the town, mainly school age teenagers who are experiencing problems, and have no one they feel they can approach or discuss the problems with. The uptake for the service during 2022 has been continual and extensive and has provided an essential support mechanism for the young people of Kenilworth. Many of the issues are cyber or domestic related.

Assistance to Individuals

Some grants were made during 2022, but not as many as in previous years and much the same as 2021. The trend is to receive requests for a client from care professionals, such as Family Support workers, Health Visitors, or CA workers. The Trustees have agreed that an upper limit for individual financial support should be secured, and it was agreed to be no more than £2000, however it is rare to grant more than £1,000 at a time.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

It is pleasing to note that our income from investments continues to increase. This places the Charity in a good position to be able to maintain our commitments and to respond to requests from people and local groups in need of financial assistance.

The investment policy is a conservative one, to maintain an income adequate to support the activities described in this report without depleting the reserve funds.

Expenditure on the Almshouses building has been necessary. Redecoration and restoration of the rear windows has been completed in 2022. The Trustees have a policy of using local tradesmen and small businesses for the on-going upkeep and repairs of the building. Its age and its status as a listed building does not make the task easy.

The weekly maintenance contribution for each flat in the Almshouses has been marginally increased during 2022 which has meant that the ordinary running costs for the Almshouse such as heating, communal electric, laundry appliances and gardening are mainly covered by the charity income.

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT cont
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The grants from the Alice Duchess of Dudley Charity and from the Edwards Charity continue. We are grateful for this show of confidence in The United Charities.

The charity is retaining its reserves to fund future charitable activities in line with the governing documents.

The Trustees, as always, wish to record their sincere gratitude to the Clerk, who has supported them cheerfully, relentlessly and efficiently throughout the year, and works tirelessly on behalf of the Charity. A huge Thank You must go to our Clerk who, during 2022 has kept the charity business on track as always.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

We shall continue with our programme of improvements to the Almshouses, to be funded from the Designated Building

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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
RECEIPTS AND (PAYMENTS) ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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<u>RECEIPTS</u>					
Almshouse maintenance contributions		18,650		18,650	15,120
Donations	16,500			16,500	14,500
Investment income	585		7,462	8,047	7,169
Total receipts	17,085	18,650	7,462	43,197	36,789
<u>PAYMENTS</u>					
Almshouse expenditure		(12,206)		(12,206)	(14,626)
Grants and support	(34,874)			(34,874)	(11,406)
Governance costs	(123)			(123)	(1,920)
Sub-total	(34,997)	(12,206)	-	(47,203)	(27,952)
Investment income reinvested	(585)			(585)	(7)
Total payments	(35,582)	(12,206)	-	(47,788)	(27,959)
<u>NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)</u>	(18,497)	6,444	7,462	(4,591)	8,830
<u>FUND TRANSFERS</u>					
General to almshouses	6,444	(6,444)		-	-
Endowment to general	7,462		(7,462)	-	-
<u>CASH (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</u>	(4,591)	-	-	(4,591)	8,830
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 1 JANUARY</u>					
Bank current accounts b/fwd	29,227		11,522	40,749	31,920
Bank deposit accounts b/fwd	35			35	34
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER</u>	24,671	-	11,522	36,193	40,784

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted General Funds 2022	Unrestricted Designated Building fund 2022	Restricted Almshouse Fund 2022	Restricted Repairs Fund 2022	Other Endowment Funds 2022	Denton Endowment Funds 2022	TOTAL 2022	TOTAL 2021
<u>Cash Funds</u>								
Bank current accounts	24,637				10,116		34,753	39,343
Bank deposit accounts	35				1,406		1,441	1,441
Total cash funds	24,672	-	-	-	11,522	-	36,194	40,784
<u>Investment assets</u>								
COIF deposit accounts		57,445			14,552		71,997	71,413
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<u>Assets retained for charity's own use</u>								
Almshouses at High St, Kenilworth (revalued y/e 31 December 2022)			800,000				800,000	252,466
<u>Liabilities</u>								
Unpaid bills							-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by: Mrs H P Bolton.....

Date:.....

Accounts

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES

Registered Charity Number: 215376

ACCOUNTS

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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT cont
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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The two parishes may send representatives in place of the vicar. St Nicholas Parish has opted to do so, and Mr Malcolm Trewick represents St Nicholas Church, along with the newly appointed vicar of St Nicholas, the Rev. Andrew Attwood of St John's Church. They attend meetings, and contributed to the management of the charity. The newly appointed St Johns representative attends meetings in place of Andrew Attwood.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The United Charities is one of a large group of charities formed 'for the relief of poverty' and our aim is to continue this role with relevance to the circumstances of the 21st century. Eligibility for assistance is restricted to people living within the old parish boundaries of the town but the town has grown enormously since the charity was formed and we are conscious there are many people who are struggling in the present economic climate who may need help. The Trustees were hoping to amend items in the Governing Document in 2020 with the approval of the Charity Commission. We recognise that we need to change existing wording in the document in order to expand the geographical area and also use the term 'Ladies in Need.' However, due to restricted opportunities for discussion the Trustees decided to leave the document as it currently exists, as it doesn't detract from our main business objectives.

We are aiming to be available to the town as a whole and to provide assistance to a wide a range of people in accordance with the need to be of genuine public benefit. For example, in the past there has perhaps been an - erroneous - impression that the Kenilworth United Charities existed mainly to help older people. This is not true and we have been successful in re-focusing our attention more towards the needs of young people and families with children. The partnership with the Citizens' Advice is of course the chief way in which we reach out to offer help to all members of the community, and continued to do so during 2021

Historically in 2015, the United Charities was approached to assist with funding for introducing a youth counselling service, which was successfully agreed with the Trustees approval. This arrangement continued to be successful during 2021. The Trustees receive an annual report regarding the progress and uptake for each of the services.

During the Pandemic a Covid 19 support group was set up in the town to assist people with genuine needs, and we were approached to provide some financial support if it was required. The Trustees unanimously agreed to support this request. In 2021, the Trustees were approached with a request to contribute to funding a Project Manager of a new Charity called "Compassionate Kenilworth". Again it was unanimously agreed that Kenilworth United Charities would totally fund this very worthy new role for 12 months. This has now been fulfilled with the view that we hope to continue funding the role during the next year as the charity reaches out to all residents of the Kenilworth Community when needed.

The Trustees have complied with their duty to have a due regard to the guidance on public benefit, published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT cont
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Almshouses

The Almshouses in High Street are maintained and managed by the charity. During 2021 all four of the Almshouse flats became fully occupied and remain so. The Trustees firmly believe that there is a place for the Almshouses in the 21st century but that they must be well managed and responsive to the needs of local people and not necessarily with practices that may have been followed in the past. The programme of improvements to the building continued during 2021 along with the general upkeep of the building.

Trustees continue to meet with the Beneficiaries annually in order to provide a platform for discussion of any concerns or issues the Beneficiaries may have. This exercise has proved to be invaluable for ensuring good communication channels, relationships and Almshouse improvements. Expenditure for maintaining the Almshouse is considerable in contrast to the other causes we support.

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The service provided by the Citizens' Advice Bureau, now known as Citizens Advice in CV8', is funded indirectly by the grants we receive from the Alice Duchess of Dudley Trust which we appreciate very much. The charity has been able to increase the funding of CA hours from four hours per week to six hours, with a full uptake of available appointments and this continues to be the case. An analysis of appointments shows a range of problems, the most numerous being related to benefits and debt. The sessions are held in the Library, in the private interview room, with a staff member of the CA team, with the bookings being made by the library staff. Appointment vacancies are made available each week for last minute drop in requests. The availability of this service has brought forth a previously unmet level of demand, in that new clients are coming to it because it is accessible and local. We are very proud of initiating this project. Citizens Advice keep us updated with an annual report regarding the uptake of the service. During the Pandemic Lockdowns, the Library was closed to the public, however the invaluable service was able to continue via phone links to Citizens Advice helpline which brought forth many requests for support from many avenues of need.

Youth Counselling Service

Kenilworth United Charities agreed to fund a youth counselling service for one day per week, which provides a trained counsellor to deliver a counselling surgery for young people of the town, mainly school age teenagers who are experiencing problems, and have no one they feel they can approach or discuss the problems with. The uptake for the service during 2021 has been continual and extensive and has provided an essential support mechanism for the young people of Kenilworth. Many of the issues are cyber or domestic related.

Assistance to Individuals

Some grants were made during 2021, but not as many as in previous years and much the same as 2019. The trend is to receive requests for a client from care professionals, such as Family Support workers, Health Visitors, or CA workers. The Trustees have agreed that an upper limit for individual financial support should be secured, and it was agreed to be no more than £2000, however it is rare to grant more than £1,000 at a time.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

It is pleasing to note that our income from investments continues to increase. This places the Charity in a good position to be able to maintain our commitments and to respond to requests from people and local groups in need of financial assistance.

The investment policy is a conservative one, to maintain an income adequate to support the activities described in this report without depleting the reserve funds.

Expenditure on the Almshouses building has been necessary. Redecoration and restoration of the rear windows is planned for 2022. The Trustees have a policy of using local tradesmen and small businesses for the on-going upkeep and repairs of the building. Its age and its status as a listed building does not make the task easy.

The weekly maintenance contribution for each flat in the Almshouses has not been increased for 4 years, which has meant that the ordinary running costs for the Almshouse such as heating, communal electric, laundry appliances and gardening are mainly covered by the charity income.

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT cont
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The grant from the Alice Duchess of Dudley Charity has increased slightly, together with the grant from the Edwards Charity. We are grateful for this show of confidence in The United Charities.

The charity is retaining its reserves to fund future charitable activities in line with the governing documents.

The Trustees, as always, wish to record their immense gratitude to the Clerk, who has supported them cheerfully, relentlessly and efficiently throughout the year, and works tirelessly on behalf of the Charity. A huge Thank You must go to our Clerk who, during a difficult year has kept the charity business on track as always.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

We shall continue with our programme of improvements to the Almshouses, to be funded from the Designated Building

Objectives have been set for 2022.

We will also look to extend financial support to other community causes within the Town.

The Trustees also agree that the Almshouse building should be more secure than it currently is and are seeking planning approval to erect a secure inner door within the building. The applications continued through 2021. This will take time as the building is listed and will require approval from a number of organisations.

We continue to review the roles and responsibilities of our trustees, and also ensure that we meet the needs and requests of the local community as and when the need arises, providing that existing funds are available to do so.

Signed on behalf of the trustees

Mrs H P Bolton
Trustee

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Date:.....

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Kenilworth United Charities for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees 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 accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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6 January 2023

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
RECEIPTS AND (PAYMENTS) ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted Funds 2021	Restricted Funds 2021	Endowment Funds 2021	TOTAL 2021	TOTAL 2020
<u>RECEIPTS</u>					
Almshouse maintenance contributions		15,120		15,120	8,800
Donations	14,500			14,500	14,131
Investment income	7		7,162	7,169	7,212
Total receipts	14,507	15,120	7,162	36,789	30,143
<u>PAYMENTS</u>					
Almshouse expenditure		(14,626)		(14,626)	(13,202)
Grants and support	(11,406)			(11,406)	(10,000)
Governance costs	(1,920)			(1,920)	(2,700)
Sub-total	(13,326)	(14,626)	-	(27,952)	(25,902)
Investment income reinvested	(7)			(7)	(157)
Total payments	(13,333)	(14,626)	-	(27,959)	(26,059)
<u>NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)</u>	1,174	494	7,162	8,830	4,084
<u>FUND TRANSFERS</u>					
General to almshouses	494	(494)		-	-
Endowment to general	7,162		(7,162)	-	-
<u>CASH (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</u>	8,830	-	-	8,830	4,084
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 1 JANUARY</u>					
Bank current accounts b/fwd	20,398		11,522	31,920	27,836
Bank deposit accounts b/fwd	34			34	34
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER</u>	29,262	-	11,522	40,784	31,954

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted General Funds 2021	Unrestricted Designated Building fund 2021	Restricted Almshouse Fund 2021	Restricted Repairs Fund 2021	Other Endowment Funds 2021	Denton Endowment Funds 2021	TOTAL 2021	TOTAL 2020
<u>Cash Funds</u>								
Bank current accounts	29,227				10,116		39,343	30,513
Bank deposit accounts	35				1,406		1,441	1,441
Total cash funds	29,262	-	-	-	11,522	-	40,784	31,954
<u>Investment assets</u>								
COIF deposit accounts		56,890			14,523		71,413	71,406
M&G - National Association of Almshouses Common Investments					1,154		1,154	1,059
COIF Charities investment Fund - income units					36,546	252,996	289,542	253,572
COIF Charities investment Accumulation units	12,566	448,913		337,778			799,257	680,880
Total investment assets	12,566	505,803	-	337,778	52,223	252,996	1,161,366	1,006,917
<u>Assets retained for charity's own use</u>								
Almshouses at High St, Kenilworth			252,466				252,466	252,466
<u>Liabilities</u>								
Unpaid bills							-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by: Mrs H P Bolton.....

Date:.....

Accounts

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES

Registered Charity Number: 215376

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2020

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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present their report and the unaudited receipts and payments accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name Kenilworth United Charities

Charity number 215376

Trustees Mrs H P Bolton
Mrs M Hamper
Mr P Griffiths
Mr M Trewick
Mr G Illingworth
Mr C Nelson
Rev A Attwood
Rev S Bailey
Cllr T Drew
Cllr P Austin

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STRUCTURE

The Kenilworth United Charities are formed from the following Charities in the Ancient Parish of Kenilworth in the County of Warwick. The United Charity was registered on 11 February 1963 under the Scheme of the Charity Commissioners dated 5 February 1960. The Charities are governed by the trustees in accordance with the trust scheme.

Constituent Charities

The Charity of William Brooks
The Charity of Thomas Earl of Clarendon
The Charity of Thomas Cook
The Charity of Thomas Councill
The Charity of George Denton
The Charity of Mary Dolphin
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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT cont
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Following the local council election in 2019, the personnel of the Trustees changed, hence the additional appointment of Councillors Tracey Drew and Pippa Austin.

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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT cont
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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Trustees continue to meet with the Beneficiaries annually in order to provide a platform for discussion of any concerns or issues the Beneficiaries may have. This exercise has proved to be invaluable for ensuring good communication channels, relationships and Almshouse improvements. Expenditure for maintaining the Almshouse is considerable in contrast to the other causes we support.

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KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT cont
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

We shall continue with our programme of improvements to the Almshouses, to be funded from the Designated Building Fund.

Objectives have been set for 2021, one of which is to ensure that all fire precautions at the Almshouse meet the current safety regulations and requirements.

We will also look to extend financial support to other community causes within the Town.

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Signed on behalf of the trustees

Mrs H P Bolton
Trustee

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Date:.....

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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25 November 2021

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
RECEIPTS AND (PAYMENTS) ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Unrestricted Funds 2020	Restricted Funds 2020	Endowment Funds 2020	TOTAL 2020	TOTAL 2019
<u>RECEIPTS</u>					
Almshouse maintenance contributions		8,800		8,800	11,200
Donations	14,131			14,131	13,800
Investment income	157		7,055	7,212	7,548
Total receipts	<u>14,288</u>	<u>8,800</u>	<u>7,055</u>	<u>30,143</u>	<u>32,548</u>
<u>PAYMENTS</u>					
Almshouse expenditure		(13,202)		(13,202)	(13,760)
Grants and support	(10,000)			(10,000)	(16,287)
Governance costs	(2,700)			(2,700)	(900)
Sub-total	<u>(12,700)</u>	<u>(13,202)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(25,902)</u>	<u>(30,947)</u>
Investment income reinvested	(157)			(157)	(324)
Total payments	<u>(12,857)</u>	<u>(13,202)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(26,059)</u>	<u>(31,271)</u>
<u>NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)</u>	<u>1,431</u>	<u>(4,402)</u>	<u>7,055</u>	<u>4,084</u>	<u>1,277</u>
<u>FUND TRANSFERS</u>					
General to almshouses	(4,402)	4,402		-	-
Endowment to general	7,055		(7,055)	-	-
<u>CASH (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</u>	<u>4,084</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,084</u>	<u>1,277</u>
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 1 JANUARY</u>					
Bank current accounts b/fwd	16,314		11,522	27,836	25,155
Bank deposit accounts b/fwd	34			34	1,438
<u>CASH FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER</u>	<u>20,432</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,522</u>	<u>31,954</u>	<u>27,870</u>

KENILWORTH UNITED CHARITIES
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Unrestricted General Funds 2020	Unrestricted Designated Building fund 2020	Restricted Almshouse Fund 2020	Restricted Repairs Fund 2020	Other Endowment Funds 2020	Denton Endowment Funds 2020	TOTAL 2020	TOTAL 2019
<u>Cash Funds</u>								
Bank current accounts	20,397				10,116		30,513	26,429
Bank deposit accounts	35				1,406		1,441	1,441
Total cash funds	20,432	-	-	-	11,522	-	31,954	27,870
<u>Investment assets</u>								
COIF deposit accounts		56,883			14,523		71,406	71,249
M&G - National Association of Almshouses Common Investments					1,059		1,059	1,144
COIF Charities investment Fund - income units					32,006	221,566	253,572	238,329
COIF Charities investment Accumulation units	12,566	287,750		380,564			680,880	620,184
Total investment assets	12,566	344,633	-	380,564	47,588	221,566	1,006,917	930,906
<u>Assets retained for charity's own use</u>								
Almshouses at High St, Kenilworth			252,466				252,466	252,466
<u>Liabilities</u>								
Unpaid bills							-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by: Mrs H P Bolton.....

Date:.....