



# Courtauld Homes of Rest

Registered Charity No. 218726

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## COURTAULD HOMES OF REST ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021

The charity administers 20 (twenty) almshouses for senior citizens in Halstead, with priority given to applicants who have previously been employed by Samuel Courtauld & Co. Limited. All twenty homes are occupied and affiliation to The Almshouses Association continues.

The year 2020-2021 was dominated by the Coronavirus pandemic, which not only disrupted all aspects of national life, but the work of the Courtauld Homes of Rest. This included the cancellation of meetings, although decisions were made by other means. Despite the effects of the pandemic, some progress was made where possible and essential repairs carried out internally and externally.

During the year no. 17 became empty and renovation work completed to bring it up to standard. This work necessitated re-wiring, re-plumbing, central heating, new kitchen and wet-room. The work fully complied with DDA requirements. The policy adopted by the Trustees to update homes as they become empty, is therefore continuing. Renovation work to 18 (eighteen) homes has been completed and only 2 (two) await renovation.

Gigaclear had agreed to install cabling in February 2020, but they initially delayed this until October 2020 and following further delays the work was eventually carried out during January and February 2021 – one year late. Unfortunately, their poor workmanship not only at the Homes of Rest, but throughout the town of Halstead, left much to be desired, necessitating many complaints. Nevertheless the main cabling is now in place for Wifi, CCTV, door security, telephone, broadband, care-line and associated improvements. These continue to be considered and advice taken.

As mentioned in last year's report there was one Trustee vacancy, which has been filled by Mr. John Miners. The Trustees and residents continue to support Neighbourhood Watch in the interests of crime prevention and to reduce concern for residents. The charity is considering celebrations for its centenary in 2023

**COURTAULD HOMES OF REST, HALSTEAD** Charity No: 218726

**Receipts and Payments Accounts for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

**Receipts**

Balance brought forward	£18,489.72
Maintenance contributions from residents	£66,356.69
Refund of overpayment in 2019-2020	£12.60
UK Power Networks – Wayleave payment	£0.25
Fees for Concessionary T. V. License	£30.00
	<u>£84,889.26</u>

**Payments**

Gas and Electricity	£1,357.30	-
Water Rates	£4,339.23	-
Cost of maintenance collections	£6,635.66	-
Insurance premium	£2,034.94	-
Gardens and grounds	£1,910.00	-
Repairs and renewals	£2,822.64	-
Community Care Call Alarm system	£5,512.80	-
Fees for Concessionary T. V. License	£30.00	-
Clerk's salary	£1,000.00	-
Renovations to No. 17	£23,491.50	-
Gas and electricity for No. 17	£49.68	-
Work on chimneys	£5,112.16	-
Almshouses Association – annual subscription	£306.00	-
Certificates for Gas Safety checks and associated gas work	£2,459.52	-
Audit fees	£100.00	-
General expenses	£214.50	-
	<u>£84,889.26</u>	<u>£57,375.93</u>
Balance in hand carried forward		<u>£27,513.33</u>
	<u>£84,889.26</u>	<u>£84,889.26</u>

- I hereby certify that, having examined the bank statements and documents, that this summary represents an accurate record of the transactions for the period stated.

*Richard*  
14/12/21

**COURTAULD HOMES OF REST, HALSTEAD TRUST TO HM Charity No: 218726**

**Statement of Accounts for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

**National Westminster Bank PLC - Business Reserve Account**

Balance brought forward £1,126.40

Interest Gross £0.46

£1,126.86

**M & G Securities - Extraordinary Repair Fund**

Value as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 £424,769.71

**M & G Securities - General Fund**

Value as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 £122,454.80

£547,224.51