

**The Lady Anne Windsor Charity
Annual Report for 2021**

Prepared for the three parishes' Annual Parish Meetings



Nicki Bray, who has been one of the Trustees nominated by the Parish Council since 2016, resigned on account of work and family commitments. We shall miss her contribution, both from her work with other charitable foundations and helping run the almshouses.

The Parish Council nominated Rosie Emeny in Nicki's place. Rosie is a Parish Councillor and an active member of the Stoke Recreation Ground Committee, as well as working shifts as an NHS nurse. She has lived in Stoke almost her whole life, unlike the other Trustees, and we are glad she is able to join us.

I was re-elected as Chairman. Peter Orrock and Martin Owen also continue as Trustees, with Martin Owen also being Treasurer.

Residents:

Miss Cheryl Smith resigned from No 4 The Downs after 16 years. As with the co-opted Trustee, we have innovated in filling the vacancy.

Our Governing Document requires that "No appointment of a resident shall be made by the Trustees until a sufficient notice of an existing vacancy specifying the qualifications required from applicants has been published in the area of Leavenheath, Nayland-with-Wissington and Stoke by Nayland by advertisement or otherwise so as to give due publicity to the intended appointment". In the past, we did this simply via the LSPN.

This time, we also publicised it on the local community FaceBook page, and asked the Council's Choice-Based Lettings scheme to inform anyone on their list who lives in one of the three parishes. We have had six applications, several from the new channels, and several from other parishes than Stoke. In the event we have appointed Ms Josie Reader from Stoke by Nayland.

Otherwise, the Downs Almshouses and Number 3 Rowley Cottages were fully occupied throughout the period. The occupancy details, with the year of commencement, are:

- No 1 The Downs, Mr Nicholas Beavan (2016)
- No 2 The Downs, Mrs Maureen Frost (2002)
- No 3 The Downs, Mr Karl Cansdale (2003)
- No 3 Rowley Cottages, Mrs Yvette Long (2016)

Our farm tenants, Mr Neil Pulford, for Campen Close behind the Guildhall in Stoke by Nayland, and E T Smith & Son, for our field in Leavenheath on Plough Lane, remain unchanged from last year.

**Adam Sedgwick
Chairman**

27 April 2022