

LITTLE MELTON PAROCHIAL CHARITY

Registered No 243883

Report for the Annual Parish Meeting – 28th March 2023

The current Trustees are:-

Position vacant	Ex-officio	
Mr T Baker	Parish Council Nomination	(to 22.11.2025)
Mrs Jean Chamberlain	Co-opted	(to 10.02.2027)
Mr John McDonald	Co-opted	(to 04.08.2026)
Mr Anthony Hedges	Co-opted	(to 10.02.2027)
Mr Ian Plummer	Co-opted	(to 10.02.2027)
Mr Ricky Wallsworth	Parish Council Nomination	(to 11.07.2026)

The Trustees have held three meetings in the past year.

Allotments

Most of the allotments are currently tenanted and generally cultivated to a very high standard. Allotment rents have not been increased but maintenance and water costs have increased significantly in the past year.

The Great Melton Road allotment has been left vacant due to ongoing works for the wind farm cable.

Two small allotments which have been incorporated into the tenants' adjoining gardens for the past 50 years were sold to the existing tenants with the approval of the Charity Commission.

Orsted update regarding the Great Melton Road allotment.

- a) the relevant hedge removal as identified on the plans has been undertaken and cleared away
- b) the site excavation investigation has been carried out
- c) the last letter from Dalcour Maclaren on behalf of Orsted dated 13th December 2022 indicated that entry on to our land for construction will be August 2023 with construction due to finish and land reinstated by October 2025. These dates will be confirmed in due course
- d) Orsted are covering the Charity's expenses in relation to this work and will be compensating the Charity for loss of income.

Financial report

Financial assistance continues to be considered by the Trustees mostly for help with domestic fuel costs and school uniforms and trips. However due to rising oil prices the number of applications has increased significantly. There is no surplus to be paid out this year.

The primary aim of the Charity is to provide assistance to the residents of the Little Melton area who are suffering need, hardship or distress. All applications are considered in strict confidence.