

WONERSH UNITED CHARITIES (WUC): REPORT TO ANNUAL CIVIL PARISH ASSEMBLY, 2025

WUC was formed over 100 years ago in 1911 by merging charities in the names of seven local benefactors. Although the oldest was set up in 1616 in memory of Thomas Mitchell we are grateful to receive the largest share of our annual income since 1641 out of the bequest from the Henry Smith Charity. We are always very grateful to receive occasional donations from members of our community. The aim of the charity is to apply the income we get for '*relief in need, hardship or distress*' to individuals or families living in the villages of Blackheath, Shamley Green and Wonersh that make up our present-day civil parish. WUC has up to ten Trustees. Meetings are held three times a year in the Jubilee Room, Christ Church, Shamley Green. The list of present trustees and our clerk, all of whom serve as unpaid volunteers, is at Annex A. I want to thank all my colleagues for their ongoing work and commitment over the last year, especially Sue Cory-Wright who retired last year as a trustee and to welcome Deborah Howe who joined the team in September 2024.

Our financial year runs from July to June. Please see our financial statement for the year ending 30 June 2023 at Annex B. We were pleased to make 20 grants in 2023/24, totalling £5,818 to our neighbours who needed some help. So far this year I can confirm we have made a similar number of grants. We continue to focus on the elderly folk in the parish but we have also been able to respond to help other individuals and families with children too.

We advertise in the parish magazines and through *Wonersh & Shamley Primary School*, as well as maintaining contacts with our churches, *Shamley Green Village Care*, *Woncares*, *Citizen Advice* and *Cranleigh Lions*. However, many of our beneficiaries have come to our attention through word of mouth. As always, I therefore take this annual opportunity to ask if anyone here knows of someone whom the WUC may be able to assist, to please let us know via the clergy, our clerk, myself or other trustees. We always treat any enquiries and all grants in the strictest confidence.

We realize the present difficult economic situation is really challenging for some people in our community, but we want to continue to play our small part to “help our neighbours” as WUC has been doing for the last four hundred years.

Diane Savage

Chair of Trustees

22 May 2025



Helping our neighbours since 1616

Wonersh United Charities ●

Blackheath : Shamley Green : Wonersh ●

(Registered Charity 200086) ●

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Trustees of Wonersh United Charities (at 22 May 2025)

The Reverend Sally Davies (*since July 2006*)*
Mrs Louise Healy (*since June 2010*) **Vice-chair** §
Mrs Diane Savage (*since September 2010*) **Chair** °
Lady (Penny) Kirkwood (*since March 2012*) §
Mrs Penny Hodgson (*since July 2013*) §
Mrs Rachel Holmes (*since June 2018*) °
Mr Anthony Shutes (*since May 2021*)*
The Reverend David Peters (*since June 2021*)*
Mrs Susan Cory-Wright (*September 2022 – August 2024*) §
Mrs Deborah Howe (*since September 2024*) °

* *ex-officio (the Vicars of Shamley Green and Wonersh with Blackheath, and the Chairperson of Wonersh Parish Council)*

§ *nominated by Wonersh Parish Council for a term of four years (renewable)*

° *co-opted by the Charities for a term of five years (renewable)*

Clerk to the Charities

Mr Kevin Garvey (*since January 2016*)

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 30 JUNE 2023 (AS AT 30/06/2024)

PREPARED ON A CASH BASIS

<u>2022/23</u>	<u>Income in year</u>	<u>2023/24</u>	
£ 5,400.00	Henry Smith Charity	£ 5,400.00	
£ 91.94	Dividends (Invested Funds)	£ 88.15	
£ 33.05	Bank Interest	£ 80.12	
£ 429.55	Donations	£ 133.00	
£ -	Grants from Cranleigh Lions		
<u>£ 5,954.54</u>	Total income	<u>5701.27</u>	A
	<u>Expenditure in year</u>		
	<u>Expenses</u>		
£ (80.25)	CAF Bank account fees	£ (69.00)	
	Stationery		
	Postage	£ (10.25)	
	Sundries		
<u>£ (80.25)</u>	Total expenses	<u>£ (79.25)</u>	B
	<u>Charitable grants</u>		
1 x £150	1 x £50	£ (50.00)	
19 x £250	1 x £200	£ (200.00)	
2 x £500	5 x £250	£ (1,250.00)	
2 x £460	9 x £300	£ (2,700.00)	
	2 x £367	£ (734.00)	
	1 x £384	£ (384.00)	
	1 x £500	£ (500.00)	
<u>£ (6,820.00)</u>	Total charitable grants	<u>£ (5,818.00)</u>	C
<u>£ (6,900.25)</u>	Total expenditure	<u>£ (5,897.25)</u>	D = B+C
£ (945.71)	Surplus Income over Expenditure	£ (195.98)	E = A+D
£ 8.38	Gain (loss) on investment values	£ 206.16	F
£ 6,616.24	Funds brought forward	£ 5,678.91	G
<u>£ 5,678.91</u>	Funds carried forward	<u>£ 5,689.09</u>	H = E+F+G

£	383.42	Represented by:		
£	2,716.31	CAF Bank (CAF Cash Account)	94.93	I
£	<u>3,099.73</u>	CAF Bank (CAF Gold Account)	<u>4,583.07</u>	J
			<u>4,678.00</u>	K = I+J
£	664.60	CCLA -COIF Charities		
		Investment Fund	£ 723.96	L
£	2,834.58	CCLA -COIF Charities Short		
£	<u>3,499.18</u>	Duration Bond Fund	£ 2,981.38	M
			<u>£ 3,705.34</u>	N = L+M
£	<u>6,598.91</u>	TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 8,383.34</u>	O = K+N
£	(920.00)	Less Creditors:		
		Unpresented cheque(s)*	£ (2,694.25)	P
		Less Debtors:		Q
£	<u>5,678.91</u>	Funds carried forward	<u>£ 5,689.09</u>	R = O+P+Q
£	<u>-</u>	<i>Difference</i>	<u>£ -</u>	S = R-H