

Summary of the W.J.Steel and Poor's Charities Meeting held on April 27th 2021

Nominative trustee wrote to the Charity Commission on March 8th for advice on running down the charity, but received no reply. However, the Charity Commission and Gov.UK websites give advice, and it seems a straightforward process.

There has been no Ex-officio trustee in the interregnum since Rev Clare Sanders retired in May 2020. The deeds state that this post must be held by the Rector of Clopton parish. The new Rector, is joining the Benefice in May, and will be asked to take over this position in due course. The term of office of the Co-optative trustee runs until 2022, and that of the Nominative trustee until 2024.

The income for the year ending 31st December 2020 was £7.08. The balance in the bank was £402.45. Expenditure was £89.39. At the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic in March 2020, it was decided to sell the unit trusts held with COIF Charities Investment Fund and pay the proceeds into the bank account so that money was immediately available to help any residents needing financial assistance during the crisis. Proceeds of £420.91 were transferred to the bank account on 20th April 2020.

As in previous years, no applications for grants have been received from residents of Clopton. Christmas food parcels were prepared and delivered to eight Clopton residents – at a cost of £89.39.