

ANNUAL REPORT OF "SURVIVING WINTER IN HADLEIGH"

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020

REGISTERED WITH THE CHARITY COMMISSION UNDER NUMBER 1162885

We are a small local charity consisting of three unpaid trustees:

Mr. N. Webber (Chairman) of 15 Castle Road, Hadleigh, Suffolk IP7 6JH

Mr. J.P. Gower (Treasurer) of 1 Wentworth Close, Hadleigh, Suffolk IP7 5SA

Mr. F. Breyer (Trustee) of 12 Tyesfield Place, Hadleigh, IP7 5FE

During the year the trustees agreed that the role of Chairman should transfer to Mr. Webber.

Our declared aim is: The relief of financial hardship, particularly fuel poverty of people living in and around Hadleigh, Suffolk, by providing funds for the purchase and distribution of supplies such as blankets, clothing, flasks, hot water bottles and similar supplies as well as assisting in the purchase of fuel and meeting the cost of emergency repairs to heating systems to enable people to keep warm over winter.

To date the charity has:

- 1) Financially assisted people, particularly the elderly, unable to afford their heating bills
- 2) Financially assisted people worried that the amount set aside for heating would not be enough to settle the eventual bill.
 - a) One lady was frightened to switch on her electric fire for fear she had not set enough aside to meet the bill.
 - b) Another elderly lady, caring for her terminally ill son, feared she could not afford the bill for oil for the forthcoming winter.
 - c) Another elderly couple; the husband had been in hospital for major surgery, was recovering at home but his wife was worried that she would not be able to keep the house warm enough during his convalescence. We donated £200 towards their electricity.
- 3) Purchased and distributed blankets, clothing, thermal underwear and socks and replaced an electric blanket heavily relied on by an old lady.
- 4) Purchased and distributed coal some of which was kindly donated by somebody converting from solid fuel to gas central heating.
- 5) Purchased warm clothing to enable a disabled young lady pursue her passion for horse riding over the winter months.
- 6) Paid for the servicing of a mobility scooter which is the only means an infirm couple, living on the fringe of Hadleigh, have of getting into the town.
- 7) Purchased and distributed "panic alarms" particularly for the elderly to enable them to bring attention and raise help in the event of a fall or in times of stress.

Fund-raising continues on a slow but steady basis. We work to keep the charity in the minds of the local people by regular submission of an article in the Hadleigh Community News.

A succession of comparatively mild winters has resulted, fortunately, in fewer people being cold in their own homes and therefore fewer cases in need of our attention. We must, however, be ready for a winter which may require our full resources and therefore keep funds in reserve for such an eventuality.

An Income and Expenditure Account is maintained on a monthly basis or more frequently if the volume of transactions warrants it.

We feel sure that people generally are more comfortable knowing that there is a local charity ready, willing and able to assist anybody who has need of assistance surviving winter in Hadleigh or any of its surrounding villages.

J. Peter Gower, Treasurer and Trustee —Surviving Winter in Hadleigh.

SURVIVING WINTER IN HADLEIGH - REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1162885**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2020**

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OPENING BANK BALANCE 01 AUGUST 2019 4,470.75**INCOME:**

DONATIONS RECEIVED	550.00	
BANK INTEREST RECEIVED	5.95	
TOTAL INCOME RECEIVED		555.95

EXPENDITURE:

NEEDY CASE - BRENT ELEIGH	200.00	
CASH WITHDRAWAL - SEE NOTE BELOW	300.00	
		500.00

EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE 55.95

CLOSING BANK BALANCE 4,526.70

CLOSING CASH BALANCE 300.00

TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD 4,826.70**NOTE:**

IT WAS DECIDED TO HOLD AN AMOUNT OF CASH BECAUSE A CHEQUE GIVEN TO ONE NEEDY FAMILY WAS USED BY THE BANK TO DEFRAID PART OF AN EXISTING OVERDRAFT.

SURVIVING WINTER IN HADLEIGH - REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1162885**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JULY 2020****ASSETS**

CASH AT BANK	ACCOUNT	18595168	516.88
	ACCOUNT	18595860	4,009.82
			4,526.70
CASH IN HAND			300.00
			4,826.70

LIABILITIES

FUNDS RESERVED FOR RELIEF OF POVERTY	4,826.70
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