# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LUCY, COUNTESS STANHOPE CHARITY FOR THE YEAR JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2020

The year 2020 was notable principally for the spread of the Covid-19 virus and the declaration of a global pandemic which resulted in significant curbs on normal life. The Trustees of the Lucy charity were however fortunate to have the first of their twice-yearly meetings in February, before the national lockdown was imposed, and the second in September, able to be held outdoors in accordance with Government guidelines.

The main function of the charity – to assist young people of the parish in need of financial assistance for furthering their education or employment prospects – was carried out by inviting applications for consideration of a grant. Normally the invitation is distributed by hand to every household in the parish; in 2020, because of limitations on hand deliveries, the invitations were sent by email to the subscribers of the local e-newsletter (this reaches a high proportion of the parish's households), and to past recipients who might wish to apply again.

All applicants were interviewed in the summer by two Trustees. Their reports were considered at the full Trustees' meeting in September, when it was agreed that the 12 applicants be awarded grants of between £100 and £200 each.

The assets of the charity at the year end amounted to £103,000. The charity was most fortunate to have received in the course of the year two significant donations, one of £600 from an anonymous donor, and one of £20,000 from Mr A and Mrs B Elmer. The charity is most grateful to them for this welcome boost to their capital investment.

Income for the year was £27,500, comprising principally investment income and the donations referred to above. Expenditure amounted to £23,000, comprising grants totalling £2,000; a sum of £21,000 invested; and some printing costs.

The Trustees have noted that the year 2022 will see the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the charity by the Will of Lucy, Countess Stanhope in February 1722, and have agreed that the event should be celebrated in some way.

## Employees' salaries

Did any of your charity's staff receive total employee benefits of £60,000 or more?

Select No if your charity does not have any staff.

No

For your highest paid member of staff only, what was the total value of their employee benefits?

(For example if your highest paid member of staff received £35,000 enter 35000).

£0

#### Volunteers

How many UK volunteers, excluding trustees, did the charity have during the financial period?

0

### Financial controls

Did your charity review its internal financial controls?

Yes

## Privacy statement

Any information you give us will be held securely and processed only in accordance with the rule on data protection. We will not disclose your personal details to anyone unconnected to the Charity Commission unless:

- you have consented to their release; or
- we are legally obliged to disclose them; or

 we regard disclosure as either (a) necessary so that we can properly carry out our statutory functions or (b) necessary in the public interest.

We may share and disclose information about you with relevant public authorities, regulatory bodies and agencies, outside the Charity Commission but only if:

- we can lawfully do so; and
- we decide that disclosure is necessary for national security,
  crime detection, prevention, and law enforcement, or other issues
  in the public interest

Information we collect about you

We will use this information:

To enable us to carry out our statutory functions and duties;

This will include the following actions:

- (a) update, consolidate, and improve the accuracy of our records;
- (b) undertake crime detection and prevention and law enforcement and assist the third parties specified above to investigate or prevent crime and carry out law enforcement;
- (c) data analysis, testing, research, statistical and survey purposes

Information we receive from other sources.

Information we receive from other sources

We may combine this information with information you give to us and information we collect about you.

We may use this information and the combined information for the purposes set out above (depending on the types of information we receive).