

The Green Charity, Barrington

Registered Charity N° 205227

Annual Report 2007-2008

The Scheme for the Green Charity, in the Parish of Barrington, Cambridgeshire, which was sealed on 1st September 1998, is now in its tenth year. The Corporate Trustee is Barrington Parish Council.

The objects of the Charity being:

- The provision of a village green for the benefit of the inhabitants of Barrington with the aim of improving conditions of life of those inhabitants and
- Relief of persons resident in or immediately outside the area of benefit who are in need hardship or distress.

The Trustee, in pursuance of the objects, instigated a new Permitted Way Licence scheme effective 01.09.98.

The Permitted Way Licences continue to be reviewed and issued every four years in line with the commencement of each new term of office of the Parish Council. The Trustee resolved that Licences effective on or after 1st September 1998 be subject to an annual levy; such levy having been duly assessed by the District Valuation Officer.

Following the election of a new Parish Council, new Permitted Way Licences were issued on 1st September 2007. The Permitted Way Licence Fee was increased from £35 to £37 per annum for a one-year licence, and held at £35 per annum for Licences taken out for the four-year period 2007-2010. These funds are applied solely to the maintenance of the Permitted Ways.

During the year under review 2 properties adjacent to the Green have been sold and Permitted Way Licences have been applied for and granted to the new owners.

The income to the Charity for the year was £18,446.61 against an expenditure of £6,195.63. The Accounts are appended herewith and have been independently examined. In January 2008, an HSBC Investment Bond for £10,000.00 was purchased.

During the year under review, the Trustee have carried out work to trees and hedges on the Green on health and safety grounds at a cost of £390. No major maintenance of the Permitted Ways took place during the year under review. The cost to the Green Charity for grass cutting and maintenance was £2,140.00. Extensive work was carried out on overgrown boundary areas amounting to £1,054.00. The Parish Council undertook the grass cutting and maintenance of the leased Sports and Play Areas at a cost of £2,890.00.

The Management Plan for the Green, originally drawn up with advice from the Parish Council and the Barrington Conservation Trust, has been reviewed.

Mr A J Fletcher was elected as Chairman of the Trustee. Mrs M R Goding continued as Clerk to the Trustee.

The Corporate Trustee is the duly elected Parish Council from April 3 2007 – April 2010.

Bankers to the Charity: HSBC Bank plc, 12 Melbourn Street, Royston SG8 7BT
Solicitors to the Charity: Mills & Reeve, 112 Hills Road, Cambridge CB2 1PH

Signed
A J Fletcher - Chairman

Date: September 29 2008

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