Poulett Almshouse Charity
Registered Charity No: 247585

Clerk to the Trustees: Sheila Seymour
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Annual Report 2025

Charity Commission No: 247585
Almshouses Association Membership No: 689

Charter: Established and built in 1872, the Poulett Almshouses are for needy persons of good character who are resident in any of the parishes of Hinton St. George, Dinnington, Seavington St. Mary, Lopen or Merriott at the time of appointment. Preference shall always be given to such persons who are so resident in the parish of Hinton St. George..

The Charity is administered by five Honorary Trustees:

- 3 are co-opted
- 2 are nominated by Hinton St George Parish Council

The Trustees are assisted by an Almshouse Liaison Officer (formerly Warden) and Clerk who each receive an honorarium to defray their expenses.

The Charity has 9 residents who pay a monthly contribution towards maintenance costs. The Trustees keep the maintenance charge under review and take a parochial and continuing interest in the wellbeing of the residents and their surroundings.

Two new Chairs were appointed. One chose to resign after eight weeks, but the other is thriving.
Two new Trustees were appointed, although one later had to resign for health reasons.
One Resident moved away and his house was rapidly re-assigned.
There have been no special projects or major expenditure,

Despite showing a deficit for this trading year, all obligations have been met without drawing on any Reserves. Overall, the Charity has a stable financial position, with strong reserves.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2025

Current Assets	31.12.2025		31.12.2024
Nat West Bank Current Account	21394		21798
Nat West Bank Business Reserve Account	4266		255
Nat West Bank Liquidity Manager 35 Day Account	5207		
National Savings Bank Account	103		103
1387.962 M & G Charity Multi Asset Fund Accumulation Units	195604		168042
6106.000 M & G Charity Multi Asset Fund Income Units	6328		5668
	232902		195866
		Add Surplus For The Year Ended 31/12/25	37036
	£232,902		£232,902

NOTES: Assets held by the Charity not included in the accounts:

Freehold Properties Nos. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9. The Almshouses Hinton St George Somerset TA17 8RX

Chairperson..... Date 14.10.26

Clerk to The Trustees..... Date 14-10-26

I confirm that I have examined the books and records of the Charity and this report is in accordance therewith and they have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comply with the legal requirements set out in section 133 of Charities Act 2011

Independent Examiner..... GERALD H. CALECH. RETIRED LEGAL EXECUTIVE.

Address..... 4 FAIRFIELD CREWKERNE SOMERSET TA18 8BU

Date 12TH OCTOBER 2026.

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Receipts and Payments Account For the Year Ended 31st December 2025

Receipts	31.12.2025		31.12.2024	
Maintenance Contributions Received	48274		32936	
Heating Contributions Received	1028		4490	
National Savings Bank Interest	0		0	
Nat West Business Reserve a/c Interest	30		4	
Nat West Liquidity Manager 35 Day a/c Interest	50			
Investment Income: M & G Multi Asset				
Income Units	259		247	
Accumulation Units	5579		5144	
M&G Charity Multi Asset Increase in value the year				
Income Units	660		184	
M&G Charity Multi Asset Increase in value the year				
Accumulation Units	21982		7331	
		77862		50336
Payments				
Water	3374		2736	
Council Tax	0		777	
Gas and Electricity Combined	5035		9859	
Insurance	1226		1280	
Improvements	0		0	
Repairs and Maintenance as Attached	25411		44024	
Gardening and Caretaking	1363		588	
Clerk' Honorarium	1850		1450	
Warden's Honorarium	1050		1100	
Bank Charges / Audit Expenses	39		87	
Almshouses Subscriptions and Seminar Fee	653			
Hall Hire	0		55	
Sundry Expenses	419		99	
Symond & Sampson Inspection Fee	114			
T V Licencing / Refund to Tenant	0		45	
Stationery and Postages	134		171	
Chris Fearn Fire Protection Party Walls	0		363	
Training / Travel	43		693	
Fire Extinguisher Service	115			
		40826		63327
		37036		-12991
			Defecit Previous Year	-£12,991
Surplus for the Year		**£37,036**		

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Repairs and Maintenance for the Year Ended 31.12.2025

Date	Description	Amount
05/01/2025	D Evans	295
20/01/2025	P D Fire & Safety	4068
19/02/2025	Ross Rendering	2300
07/03/2025	D Evans	485
26/03/2026	Home & Garden	135
09/04/2025	M E A Watts	94
09/04/2025	D Evans	735
22/04/2025	Pitman Plumbing	130
24/04/2025	D Evans	790
05/05/2025	Pitman Plumbing	118
27/05/2025	Pitman Plumbing	158
04/05/2025	Ross Rendering	2850
10/07/2005	Letts Plumbing	306
10/07/2025	Peter Wright	575
11/07/2025	Pitman Plumbing	3462
20/07/2025	Ross Rendering	3100
22/08/2025	Fire Safety Kits	168
09/09/2025	Fire Safety Batteries	12
12/09/2025	J R Brown Countryside Services	330
12/09/2025	Yarcombe Woodland Fencing	507
02/09/2025	Invicta Electrical	54
01/10/2025	Home & Garden	343
17/11/2025	S S I Plumbing	788
18/11/2025	Pitman Plumbing	102
08/12/2025	Pitman Plumbing	162
09/11/2025	Brighter View Window Cleaning	3200
30/12/2025	Pitman Plumbing	144
	TOTAL	£25,411

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	The Poulett Almshouse Charity		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	247585
Set out on pages	1 and 2		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete* [ ] *if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:	G H Creech	**Date:**	12th October 2026
Name:	Gerald H Creech		

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Retired Chartered Legal Executive
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	Crewkerne
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Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	