

**Long Preston and District
Relief In Need Charity
Report of activity in FY2022, given May 2023**

Serving Long Preston, Hellifield, Halton West and Wigglesworth

The Long Preston and District Relief in Need Charity is an old charity dating back to around 1732 when local gentry bequeathed part of their estates to assist the residents of the ancient parish of Long Preston in times of financial need.

The current charity is an amalgamation of these and a number of other small charities that provided the same sort of assistance in an area covering Long Preston, Hellifield, Halton West and Wigglesworth.

In 2022 the charity is managed by 2 trustees, but can have up to 8 trustees:

- One trustee nominated by Hellifield Parish Council, Jimmy Hordern
- One Trustee nominated by Wigglesworth Parish Meeting, Shirley Wales

Trustees who have left their position in 2020;

- One ex-officio trustee, Rev Stuart Stobart (Left the Parish part way through 2020 – replacement not yet appointed.)
- One trustee nominated by Long Preston Parish Council, Paul Morley
- Up to three co-opted trustees appointed by the charity's trustees, currently all these posts are vacant.

I would like to request that the Parish Council look to appoint the ex-officio trustee – as in the charities charter, this is recommended to be the Parishes current Vicar (or Priest in Charge).

The aim remains the same today as it did when the first charities were originally created, to help our local residents with small financial grants in times of need. Applications are treated on their own merit as every need is different and may be eased in different ways. With the recent, unprecedented, impact that the COVID-19 Pandemic and increase in Energy costs will have on people's working lives it is anticipated that there may be more applications made in the 2022 year.

There have been no requests for support throughout the whole year.

Our assets are small standing and £4,730.22 is available for awarding grants. In the last financial year, FY2022, NO grants was awarded.

Jimmy Hordern, HPC nominated Trustee.