

# FRIENDS OF ST EDMUND'S CHURCH

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## Registered Charity No.1075548

### Trustees' Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021

**Principal Address:** Rose Cottage, 32 West End, Old Costessey, NR8 5AG.

**Trustees:** Rev. Edward Land (President) Mr D A Collen (Chairman), Mrs A Platt (Secretary), Mrs A G Brown (Treasurer), Mr B J Alltree and Mr David Thompson

**Principal Objects:** The restoration, beautification and reconstruction of the fabric of St. Edmund's Church and the provision of facilities for leisure purposes to improve the conditions of life of the inhabitants of the area.

**Accounts:** At the end of the year we held funds of **£32,028** (2020: £33,019) after having donated **£979** (2020: £8,214) to the PCC.

#### Projects

Compared with previous years there has been no major projects at St Edmund's.

The only outstanding project is the installation of new doors in the archway leading to the Vestry.

These doors will be similar to the ones leading from the Nave to the kitchen/toilet.

A faculty has been obtained and if it had not been for the Corona virus, the work would have been completed during 2021.

The completion date for this work is January 2022.

#### The Future of the Friends of St. Edmund's (FOSE)

In the September Newsletter I informed you of the discussion your committee had on the future of FOSE. To some extent the lack of activity brought about by Covid had highlighted the need to address this issue. I will repeat what I said in the Newsletter that FOSE has much to be proud of:

- the primary example being the provision of a kitchen and toilet
- it has enabled the roof to be repaired
- the introduction of a 'Time Line' and Historic Trail for the Church and community.
- the Chancel to be redecorated and damp proofed
- the installation of new heating and lighting
- the redecoration of the Church
- the repair of the bells.
- the current Vestry door project would partially complete the work needed in that area of the Church and leave funds for a final donation for a project to improve the Vestry if the Parochial Church Council so wished.

It has also contributed to the social life of the community from the many events it has organised. To name a few:

- Concerts
- Dances
- Open gardens
- Auctions

The **Principle Objectives** are still as relevant today as they were in 1990 when FOSE was established.

The finality of the proposal on the Agenda does not have to be if sufficient 'Friends' would come forward, join the Committee and take on the key roles.

I look forward to seeing you at the AGM

Denis A Collen  
Chairman

December 2021

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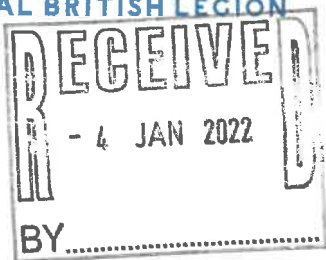


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17th December 2021

*Dear Hilary,*

On behalf of the Royal British Legion Costessey & District Branch I should like to record our thanks for the generous donation made to the Branch and the Poppy Appeal. Counter to many of the trends nationally, the Costessey Branch has had an excellent appeal so far, having collected just over £18,300 by the end of the official appeal period. Having endured two years of reduced takings this is excellent news and will significantly assist the RBL nationally and ourselves locally to continue to support our beneficiaries. I should be so grateful if you would pass on our thanks to all the council members.

*Yours sincerely,*

*Stewart Blackburn*