

## **Request for a fourth CT10 Charities Trustee**

What's involved..?

CT10 Parochial Charities incorporate around 7 small local charities that have been amalgamated over the years. The charity started when two parcels of land Culmers and Taddy's, were given to the Vicar of St Peters back in 1485 and 1726 respectively to generate an income to support the poor and needy of Broadstairs. These plots of land are currently allotments and the rents go to the Charity for us to distribute to those in need. Another strip of land adjacent to Culmers is also rented to St Peters and Broadstairs Town Council as amenity land. Several years ago, we sold some unused Culmer's allotment land for new housing and that money is invested.

There are 14 Trustees, the 3 priests of St Peter's, St Andrew's and Holy Trinity (Broadstairs), their 6 churchwardens and 4 members of the Town Council plus two co-opted Trustees. In addition, a volunteer Clerk/Treasurer manages the day to day running of the Charity.

The role involves attending four Trustee meetings each year and carrying out the occasional home visit along with another Trustees to assess need and report back to the other Trustees on how the Charity can help. Decisions on large grants are generally decided at the quarterly meeting, but smaller grants or urgent grants are normally decided through email voting. The commitment isn't too onerous or time consuming, but the Charity has, over the years, supported many people in dire need who, with our financial support, are able to turn their lives around. We give about 40k in grants each year and most of our referrals come from Social Services, TDC Housing, schools, GP Surgeries and the St Peter's foodbank.