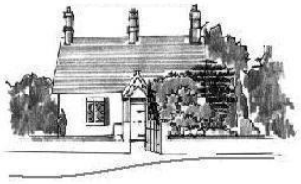

LINGFIELD UNITED TRUST

Reserves Policy

1 Introduction

1.1. The trustees of Lingfield United Trust take the view that reserves are essential to maintain the ongoing viability of the charity.

1.2 The Trustees will consider whether it is appropriate to set aside designated reserves including transfers to the Extraordinary Repair Fund (ERF) and Cyclical Maintenance Fund (CMF) each year. These are designated funds and not regarded as Free reserves.

1.3 The level of reserves will be kept under review throughout the year by the Trustees.

2 Extraordinary Repair Fund (ERF)

This designated fund will be used for future major expenditure and transfers will be made from the Income and Expenditure Account. The fund may also be used for major refurbishment projects and, should the balance grow sufficiently, consideration will be given to the provision of further almshouses in accordance with the charity's objectives. Consideration will also be made to invest this fund in investment funds, however the timing of when major items of expenditure will occur will also be reviewed.

LUT's ERF is currently invested in M & G Charity Multi Asset Fund. Reviewable annually by the trustees.

3 Cyclical Maintenance Fund (CMF) for HoChee

This is a designated fund, to which transfers are made from the Co-operative Bank (HoChee) Account. The funds will be used to meet maintenance costs occurring at regular intervals e.g., refurbishing kitchens and bathrooms, interior and exterior redecoration and the cost of professional fees such as for Quinquennial Inspections. The optimal level on this account is £30,000.

LUT's CMF is currently invested in the Co-operative Bank 35 Day Savings Acccount. Reviewable weekly by the Clerk and one other trustee, and at each meeting of the trustees by all present.

4 The Lingfield United Trust (Charity) Account

The LUT recognises the need to fund the cost of Hardship Grants, Warm Hubs and the Christmas Distribution; and that this fund is separately maintained from the HoChee Account.

The balance on this account should be sufficient to meet the trustees' projected outgoings.

The optimum maximum level on this account is currently £20,000.

LUT's Charity Account is currently invested in the Co-operative Bank (Charity) Account. Reviewable weekly by the Clerk and one other Trustee, and at each trustee meeting by all trustees present.

5 This policy has been approved for issue by the board of trustees of Lingfield United Trust

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