THE HOSPITAL OF SIR THOMAS MIDDLECOTT ALGARKIRK AND FOSYKE IS AN ALMSHOUSE CHARITY, GOVERNED BY THE CHARITY COMMISSION, FOUNDED IN THE EARLY 17TH CENTURY.

AT PRESENT IT HAS TWO ALMSHOUSE BUNGALOWS IN ALGARKIRK AND TWO IN FOSDYKE. ALL ARE CURRENTLY OCCUPIED.

THE CHARITY'S INCOME IS DERIVED FROM THE CHARITY'S LAND HOLDINGS AND INVESTMENTS.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHOULD - AT FULL STRENGTH – HAVE EIGHT MEMBERS.

ONE NOMINATED BY ALGARKIRK PARISH COUNCIL (CURRENTLY MRS CHERYLLYN HUMPHREYS), ONE BY FOSDYKE PARISH COUNCIL WITH THREE MEMBERS FROM EACH VILLAGE BEING CO-OPTED TO THE BOARD.

SIR THOMAS MIDDLECOTT EXHIBITION FOUNDATION

2022 - 2023 Annual Report

The Sir Thomas Middlecott's Exhibition Foundation is an Incorporated Charity, governed by the Charity Commission, and provides awards to persons who have not attained the age of 25 years and who, in the opinion of the Trustees, are in need of financial assistance. In order to qualify applicants must have attended a maintained primary school in one of the Parishes of Kirton, Algarkirk, Fosdyke, Frampton, Sutterton or Wyberton for at least 2 years.

The Awards are to be used in providing financial assistance, outfits, clothing, tools, instruments, or books etc. Full details of the Scheme under which the charity works can be found on the Charity Commission website.

In 2022 – in recognition of the ever increasing costs involved in studying and especially living away from home – the level of grants made was increased over that of previous years. Schools in the 6 parishes within the Charity's area of remit are also invited to apply for a grant up to £2000 to fund the purchase of equipment that would benefit their students' education.

Each year the charity places advertisements in the local newspapers and parish magazines and also circulates the local schools for applicants.

The system of applying for grants this year will be amended slightly in order to better establish applicants' eligibility and to streamline the payment process.

The Foundation's Board consists of appointed members from the local Parish Councils and the Lincolnshire County Council as well as the Headmaster of Middlecott Secondary School.