

**TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL
BUDGET AND POLICY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 21st OCTOBER 2025**

**BRIEFING NOTE
FORD STREET & MAYNARD ALMSHOUSE CHARITY**

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Committee and Council will be aware that at the first Annual Meeting of each Council cycle (4 years) two appointments are made to the position of Trustee on the Ford Street and Maynard Almshouse Charity. For more information see https://register-of-charities.charitycommission.gov.uk/en/charity-search/-/charity-details/202643?uk_gov_ccew_onereg_charitydetails_web_portlet_CharityDetailsPortlet_organisationNumber=202643 . The detailed scheme of appointment is available for inspection by Members by appointment at the Council offices.
- 1.2 A request has been received from the Charity in connection with a proposal to reconstitute it as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (copy enclosed – Appendix 1 refers) which it is understood also necessitates changes to the current nominating powers of the Council.
- 1.3 For clarity the Charity has confirmed the same request has been submitted to Gulworthy Parish Council (which has similar standing in its capacity as successor to Tavistock Hamlets Parish Council under the scheme).

2. NEXT STEPS

- 2.1 Two matters therefore arise. Firstly the view of the Council on the change to the governing document ie including the removal of facility for this Council to appoint Nominative Trustees to the current Charity. In the circumstances there does not appear to be an impediment to the Council agreeing to the changes as proposed, no changes to purposes are evident.
- 2.2 Secondly, and linking to that, whether the Council would wish to request that under the new (CIO) arrangement it continue to be able to appoint Nominative Trustees.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 That The Council
- a) agree the request as submitted; and
 - b) indicate whether or not it wishes to request a right to appoint Nominative Trustees to the proposed new CIO.
- 3.2 The instructions of the Committee and Council are sought.

**CARL HEARN
TOWN CLERK
TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL
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