

**Report to Christleton Parish Council for The
John Sellers Educational Foundation, Christleton**

May 2023

This ancient trust was founded on 23rd December 1779 for the education of poor children in Christleton and Littleton. It was originally to provide instruction in reading, English, writing, arithmetic and for spinning, sewing and knitting.

The primary source of income is from the rent of Wichway Croft on Plough Lane, but in recent years donations from individuals and grants from other bodies have been gratefully received.

The Trust is now registered for Gift Aid and has claimed monies from HMRC on donations received from interested parties during the last five years.

During this last year the Trustees have met twice. We have had a very limited number of requests for funding and following discussion it was agreed that an application from the primary school fulfilled the Trusts rules and a sum of £550 was provided.

We are aware of the plans to refurbish the play area at King George's field, and it was agreed that the Trust would look favourably at any requests for funding.

The Trustees are keen to publicise the Trust and the availability of funds for worthwhile causes and a website has been set up. Additionally, the primary and high schools have been approached with the suggestion that students are given the opportunity to design a poster to publicise the Trust and there will be a prize for the chosen design.

Councillor Susan Robson

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