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Langford Coal CharitiesProposed changes

The parish of Langford had at one time no fewer than five small charities for the provision of coal for the poor. The registration of one of them was cancelled by the Charity Commission in 1914 on the ground that it had been inactive since 1870. Three of the surviving four were combined by the Commission in 1915 to form "the United Charities", the assets of which consist of the allotments in the Broughon Poggs road and some trifling investments, between them yielding at present an income of less than £50 a year. The fourth of the surviving charities is "Robert Day's Charity", established in 1869 under the will of Robert Day of Faringdon with an endowment of £97.3s.3d in Treasury stock to provide coal for twelve poor widows and widowers "being natives of and resident in the parish".

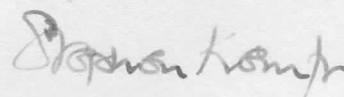
The trustees of the United Charities and the trustees of Robert Day's Charity have recently agreed that the two charities should be combined and that their objects should be modified from the provision of coal, which not everyone uses, to the provision of financial help, possibly in the form of electricity stamps, in meeting the cost of lighting and heating to those considered most in need of such support.

An application has been made accordingly to the Charity Commission, whose procedures require that public notice should be given of the intention to transfer the assets of Robert Day's Charity to the United Charities. When they are combined the single charity will have a potential income of about £100 a year and an accumulated balance of nearly £700.

The Trustees of the United Charities are Mr Richard Kirby (chairman), Rev.W.L.Glazebrook (ex officio as Vicar), Mr Robert Clack, Mr Derek Lafford and Mrs Jennifer Pitkin. The Trustees of Robert Day's Charity are Rev W.L.Glazebrook and Mr Richard Kirby and Major R.M.Seton-Browne as churchwardens.

Anyone wishing to comment on this proposal should write by 31st May, 1993 to:

The Charity Commission - for the attention of Mr P.A.Cooper
Woodfield House,
Tangier,
Taunton, Somerset, TA1,4BL



19th April, 1993

Stephen Kemp
Clerk to the Trustees
of the United
Charities