

THE PLUMSTEAD 2000 FUND [1999 - 2019]

The Plumstead 2000 Fund was a registered charity established in May 1999 with the object of raising funds for conservation, environmental and charitable ventures for the village of Plumstead and surrounding area.

Its first task was to formulate a plan on how the Village should mark and celebrate the millennium. This resulted in the creation of the village sign which was officially unveiled in the summer that year by Eileen Gibbons, the Parish Council Chair. This was followed by a garden party for 40 or so villagers at Walnut Farm.

During its first ten years The Plumstead 2000 Fund raised in excess of £20,000.00 for the local community. As well as the village millennium sign the Fund provided two parish notice boards, a new bus shelter, a flag pole, a lawn mower and shed and a stage and hearing loop for Baconsthorpe village hall. It also made generous financial contributions towards the repair of the Church bell, the renovation of the pond and phone box and the purchase of the village defibrillator. It also presented 25 shows at Baconsthorpe village hall for the enjoyment of the local community.

When the Fund was wound up in 2019 the balance of funds of £3567.78 was passed to the Parish Council for safe keeping to be used as originally intended.

The Fund was run by a committee of about 8-10 people which included the four Trustees. A roll call of all those involved over the years is being prepared and will appear here later.