

# **ANNUAL REVIEW**

## **MILEHAM FREE SCHOOL CHARITY**

The Parish Council became sole trustee of the Mileham Free School Charity in early March. The Charity are responsible for the Old School building and adjacent playing field and a second playing field off Back Lane. This fulfils our ambition of ensuring control of these important assets sits within the village.

Outstanding issues remain, not least the transfer us of the £11,627 held by NCC and payment of NCC's £1,500 contribution to the Parish Council's legal bill. We also require the existing NCC personnel to hand over control of the Charities Commission interface so that we can register the Parish Council as Trustee. This will enable us to open bank accounts.

These outstanding items are progressing and are expected to conclude later this month. Some outstanding issues have been resolved - Keys have now been handed over and legal documents relating to the transfer of Trusteeship have been exchanged.

Once the issues mentioned have been completed, we plan to write to the Charities Commission to understand their priorities for a Charity that has not been able to fulfil its charitable purpose since the School closed in July 2015 and has no income (only outgoings).

Nick Clowe

Vice Chair

20th May 2025