

Edwards & Hinckesman's Foundation

Registered Charity Number 528320

Report to the Parish Electors' Meeting
20th May 2026, 7.30pm at Neen Savage Parish Hall

The current Trustees of this Charity are:

Reverend W A Buck (ex officio as Vicar of St Mary's Church, Neen Savage)
Councillor Mr David Davies (appointed by Shropshire Council, June 2025)
Mr Peter Dolphin (re-appointed by Shropshire Council, June 2025)
Mrs Emma Haywood (re-appointed by Neen Savage Parish Council, May 2025)
Mr Charles Whitworth (re-appointed by Neen Savage Parish Council, May 2025)

Summary of activity in 2025-26:

- (1) **Grants:** at the August 2025 meeting, grants totalling £1,700 were made to 2 young people of the parish, one to support third & final year undergraduate studies in the humanities, and a second grant to support first year studies – also in the humanities.
- (2) **Charity Commission:** the Foundation's submissions to the Charity Commission are up to date, including the annual accounts. (www.charitycommission.gov.uk , Charity No. 528320).
- (3) **Finances:** income is generated from an investment in the Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF) managed by CCLA; in the year to 31st March 2026 the dividends from COIF amounted to more than £3,700. Other income is generated from occasional donations and legacies. The latter contributed an additional £153 this year. Any surplus is generally reinvested additional units in the COIF fund. The Foundation is eligible for Gift Aid; submissions to HMRC are complete and up to date.
- (4) **Fund-raising:** no specific fundraising events were undertaken in 2025-2026.
- (5) **Beneficiary network:** in keeping with the terms of the Trust, the Trustees are always seeking different ways to help young parishioners transition from education to employment: as such, they are always keen to hear from former beneficiaries who might be in a position to offer their time or expertise in advising or mentoring young people of the parish, offering work experience or internships. Please contact one of the Trustees if you think you could help or email the Clerk, Charles Whitworth, at the email address below).
- (6) **Key dates:** the deadline for applications this year is Saturday 1st August (application forms are downloadable from the 'Useful Information' / 'Community Grants' tabs of the Parish Council website (www.neensavageparishcouncil.org.uk) or can be requested via e-mail from the Clerk at edwardshinckesman@gmail.com . Interviews will take place in the Parish Hall in the early evening of Wednesday 26th August 2026.

Charles Whitworth, Trustee and Clerk, 07817 929994