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Chairman's foreword

Each year City Parochial Foundation submits its Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements to the Charity Commission, and publishes a Grants Review that details the recipients of its support over the previous twelve months. The Trustees' planning and grant-making, however, is set within a broader strategy which is reviewed every five years and *Capital Communities* is a report on their achievements over the Quinquennium 1997 to 2001.

The activities of the Foundation, which dates back to 1883, are rooted in three important endowments. The largest, the Central Fund, came from legacies for the benefit of the poor living in the City of London; with assets approaching £104 million, its income is now available for the benefit of poor people throughout Greater London (the Metropolitan Police District plus the City).

The smallest endowment, Trust for London, was given by the Government in 1986 following the abolition of the Greater London Council to provide support for small community groups throughout London; its original endowment of £10 million was recently valued at £17 million.

The Foundation's third endowment is the City Church Fund, whose assets come from ecclesiastical charities in the City of London and are currently worth £78 million; its income is passed directly to the Church of England throughout Greater London as determined by the Church Commissioners, the largest recipients being the Dioceses of London, Southwark and Chelmsford. In nurturing these three endowments, which grew from £166 million in real terms at the end of 1996 to some £200 million five years later (an increase of 20%), the trustees benefit from professional legal, property and investment advice, for which they are immensely grateful.

The income of the Foundation varies with the performance of its investments which

are spread between properties both in and beyond London, equities and gilt edged securities. In recent years, the Foundation has benefited particularly from the strength of the property markets in which it is invested.

However, this good performance has been offset somewhat by the weakness of equity markets over the last two years, by falling interest rates and by the withdrawal of Advance Corporation Tax relief. The Foundation's income has also been adversely affected by the Trustees' decision to rebalance their assets over time towards equities, and by a revision of its pension arrangements. Over the Quinquennium, the annual income of the Foundation has tended to fall slightly in real terms.

However, the Trustees believe that this trend can now be reversed following a Charity Commission Order which will allow expenditure in future to be based upon the total return to the charity's assets. The first year of this new regime will be 2003.

Between 1997 and 2001 the Church of England in Greater London received £15 million from the City Church Fund. Over the same period, the Foundation was able to give £28 million from its Central Fund and Trust for London to secular charities. Grants were made to 1,647 organisations helping London's poor.

Capital Communities is an account of both the Trustees' response to requests for assistance and the various initiatives which they took to support places and circumstances where the needs of the poor would otherwise have remained neglected. Thus, the Foundation's concerns about social exclusion and community isolation, its commitment to refugee education, and its desire to help young people in poverty have all involved both reacting to grant applications and the Trustees' own programmes of support. Sometimes this

proactive work has been as the sole funder; more often it has been in alliance with others.

The process of grant-making calls for compassion, knowledge, discussion, intuition, judgement and, at times, courage. In consequence, the Trustees value enormously the expertise and advice of the Foundation's staff, whose insights into London's voluntary sector, and the challenges it faces, powerfully inform their decisions.

Our long-established practice of visiting all grant applicants that are likely to be successful is a major source of the staff's insights, and the Foundation has been happy to share its understanding with others, including the Government. The Trustees are also grateful for the advice of those co-opted onto their committees, and the numerous consultants who have helped the Foundation over the years.

Above all, however, Trustees are grateful for the leadership and imagination of the two Clerks who served the Foundation between 1997 and 2001. Tim Cook completed 12 years of distinguished service to the Foundation in 1998 and was succeeded by Bharat Mehta, who has already begun to leave his distinctive stamp upon our affairs. Their contribution to the Foundation's achievements cannot be overstated. With such support, the Trustees' ultimate responsibility for the proper use of the Foundation's resources is less burdensome.

The Quinquennium saw many changes in the Foundation's social and political environment. We therefore invited three people who are particularly knowledgeable about London's voluntary sector to contribute to this review. We are very grateful to Tony Travers for interpreting the shifting influences, political and otherwise, that have affected London's voluntary sector in the last five years. Sean Baine, with his unique insights into this rapidly changing scene, kindly agreed to examine how the voluntary sector has responded to these changes. And we were delighted when

Christina Schwabenland accepted our invitation to speculate on the challenges facing grant givers such as the Foundation in the foreseeable future.

Partly in response to the spirit of the times but mainly for reasons of efficiency, the Trustees have made significant changes to the governance and management of the Foundation since 1997. I pay tribute to my fellow Trustees for their support, expertise and energy in these challenging matters, particularly to my Vice Chairman, Ms Maggie Baxter, and the Chairmen of our various Committees through which much of the Foundation's detailed work is conducted.

Over the Quinquennium Trustees have agreed to consolidate the Central and City Church Funds into a Combined Fund for investment purposes, to facilitate the process of asset diversification; explored the implications and determined a route to the implementation of a total return approach to investment and distribution; undertaken a root and branch review of the Foundation's governance; and, subject to the approval of the Charity Commission, decided to become a charitable company limited by guarantee.

With these and other changes the Foundation and the Trust look forward with confidence to the next five years. Our current plans are summarised in the later pages of this report. As *Capital Communities* shows, City Parochial Foundation and Trust for London are determined to maintain their reputations as innovative and imaginative funders for the benefit of the poor of London.

Professor Gerald Manners

(As in previous years, a Grants review for 2001 listing all the grants made during the year has been published in addition to this Quinquennial review. Copies are available on request.)