

Minsterworth Parochial Charities – 2024

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The two Minsterworth Charities, established by former Minsterworth residents John Hiatt (d 1719) and Joseph Winkle (d 1723), were founded to help those less fortunate in our Village, and to provide funding for the training of young people.

Our own historical record book shows that in the late 1800's funds from the Charities were used to '*distribute bread to 69 poor people*' in the Village, at a cost of 3 pounds 19 shillings and 6 pence (that's 5.7p per person!), and in the mid 1900's funds were used to provide coal for those unable to afford adequate heating.

Things have of course changed since then, but grants are still available for a range of items, and have been well used over the past 12 months. If any residents or organisations would like to apply, they can contact the Clerk of the Parish Council, or one of the Trustees. All enquiries will be dealt with in strict confidence.

We believe that using the funds honours those of our Village who set up the Charities many years ago.