

Company Registration No 3087463  
(England & Wales)  
Charity Registration No 1049171  
(England & Wales)



**THE INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS**

**BENEVOLENT FUND**

(A company limited by guarantee not having a share capital)

**REPORTS AND**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005**

# THE INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS BENEVOLENT FUND

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# THE INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS BENEVOLENT FUND

## DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT 31 DECEMBER 2005

### 1 INTRODUCTION

The Trustee-Directors present their report and the financial statements of the Institution of Structural Engineers Benevolent Fund for the year ended 31 December 2005. The accounts which are attached to this report comply with current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Benevolent Fund's Memorandum and Articles of Association, and with the requirements of 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Revised 2000)'.

### 2 REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Institution of Structural Engineers Benevolent Fund is constituted as a company limited by guarantee incorporated in England & Wales under Registered No 3087463 and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The Benevolent Fund is registered with the Charity Commission for England & Wales, under Registered No 1049171.

The registered office of the Benevolent Fund is 11 Upper Belgrave Street, London SW1X 8BH.

The Trustee-Directors who served during the period are set out on page 2; all remained in office at the date of the approval of this report. The Trustee-Directors do not have any interests required to be disclosed under the Companies Act 1985. No material contracts subsisted during the period in which any Trustee-Director had an interest.

The name of the Secretary and the principal professional advisers to the Benevolent Fund are set out on page 2.

### 3 ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Constitution

The Benevolent Fund was established in 1936 as an unincorporated association and in 1941 it obtained registration as a friendly society. With the agreement of its members, as well as the relevant statutory authorities, on 2 August 1995 it was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee and on 13 September 1995 it was reregistered as a charity. The Benevolent Fund's governing document is its Memorandum and Articles of Association, under which the Trustee-Directors have made rules for the management of the Benevolent Fund.

#### Trustee-Directors

The Benevolent Fund's Articles of Association provide that there shall be at least three Trustee-Directors; on the formation of the Benevolent Fund as a company there were ten but the first Annual General Meeting in 1996 reduced this number to nine. Trustee-Directors are appointed, for three-year terms, at general meetings of the Benevolent Fund, although the Trustee-Directors themselves may also make appointments but only up to the next Annual General Meeting. Subject to the Benevolent Fund's Memorandum and Articles of Association, all decisions are taken by the Trustee-Directors (although the Chairman, with one other Trustee-Director, has limited delegated power to approve emergency grants). On appointment, each Trustee-Director receives an information pack, which, in addition to details about the Benevolent Fund, contains information relating to the roles of trustee and company director; this pack is updated as required.

#### Advisory Council

The Articles also allow the Trustee-Directors to invite representatives of branches of the Institution of Structural Engineers to attend meetings and to act as an Advisory Council to the Trustee-Directors: this Council has been established, comprising delegates from each of the 18 UK/Republic of Ireland branches. The names of the Advisory Council members are given on page 2. As well as visiting applicants and beneficiaries and attending meetings of the Trustee-Directors, the Advisory Council members also contact widows/widowers of members and other potential beneficiaries, undertake local publicity on behalf of the Benevolent Fund and encourage contributions. Neither the Advisory Council members, nor the Trustee-Directors or anyone else acting on behalf of the Benevolent Fund (other than the principal advisers), receives any payment apart from out-of-pocket expenses.

# THE INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS BENEVOLENT FUND

## DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) 31 DECEMBER 2005

### Sub-committees

The Articles authorise the Trustee-Directors to appoint sub-committees; the only sub-committee appointed in 2005 was the Investments Sub-Committee, comprising Mr J M Allen, Mr B Simpson and Mr J A Waller.

### Relationships with other organisations

Administration and meeting room facilities are provided by the Institution of Structural Engineers. Wherever possible, the Benevolent Fund co-operates with other charities in relation to applicants and beneficiaries. The Benevolent Fund has three nomination rights in respect of accommodation in a residential home for the elderly run by Crossways Trust Ltd, a charity supported by various occupational and other benevolent funds. The Benevolent Fund is an associate member of Age Concern. A Trustee-Director represents the Benevolent Fund on the Council of the Professional Classes Aid Council. The Secretary is a member of the Association of Charity Officers and the Occupational Benevolent Funds Alliance.

### Risk

The Trustee-Directors oversee an ongoing assessment of the major risks to which the Benevolent Fund is exposed, in particular those relating to its operations and finances, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the Benevolent Fund's exposure to those risks.

## 4 OBJECTS, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

### Objects

The Benevolent Fund's objects are to make grants and afford assistance to necessitous persons who are:

- (a) Fellows, Members or Associates of the Institution of Structural Engineers;
- (b) former Fellows, Members or Associates;
- (c) dependants or former dependants of any of the persons referred to above whether the same are alive or deceased;
- (d) Companions, Associate-Members, Graduates and Students of the Institution, or the dependants or former dependants of a person who dies whilst a Companion, Associate-Member, Graduate or Student.

### Vision

The vision of the Benevolent Fund is to enable the Institution of Structural Engineers to care for its members, and their dependants, in time of need.

### Activities and achievements

The Benevolent Fund's principal activity during the year was the administration of funds held for charitable purposes.

There is no geographical restriction relating to beneficiaries, and the Benevolent Fund assists members and their dependants both within and beyond the United Kingdom. In 2005 the Benevolent Fund helped 20 individuals and distributed £50,179 in grants. A summary of grants paid is given on page 14. Whenever possible, a representative of the Benevolent Fund visits an applicant to establish a personal link with the Benevolent Fund and to make an independent appraisal of the circumstances to guide the Trustee-Directors in their assessment of need: the Trustee-Directors are grateful to those who undertake this important and sensitive role.

Many members of the Institution, and some firms, support the Benevolent Fund by regular contributions. Some considerably remember the Benevolent Fund in their will. Branches of the Institution also support the Benevolent Fund through fund-raising at events.

The following were members of the Benevolent Fund in 2005:

- individuals who were Life Members of the Benevolent Fund prior to its incorporation (for life, subject to their remaining in membership of the Institution); and
- individuals who made any financial contribution to the Benevolent Fund in the year.

In all, there were 8501 members of the Benevolent Fund. The Trustee-Directors are most grateful for the generous support of the Benevolent Fund by all concerned.

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### DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) 31 DECEMBER 2005

The Trustee-Directors have formulated a strategic plan, and also policies and procedures for the administration of the Benevolent Fund and its assets. These are kept under review.

#### 5 FINANCIAL REVIEW

##### Responsibilities for the accounts and financial statements

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustee-Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year (unless the charity is entitled to prepare accounts on the alternative receipts and payments basis). In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view, the Trustee-Directors should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustee-Directors are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ascertain the financial position of the charity and to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985 and the Charities Act 1993. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

##### Review of the year

The Benevolent Fund's income in the period comprised donations and gifts (£38,353) and investment income (£27,365), a total of £65,718. Grants made were £50,179. With other expenditure of £10,725 the operational surplus was £4,814. The value of the Benevolent Fund at the year end was £1,364,580. This mainly comprised investments held to generate income for the payment of grants.

The Benevolent Fund needs reserves to provide a buffer between fluctuations of income and expenditure, and must generate a significant additional income stream through the investment of those reserves. The Benevolent Fund acquired the bulk of its reserves, on its formation as a company limited by guarantee on 2 August 1995, from the unincorporated association of the same name originally established in 1936. £378,216 of the total funds of £553,770 which were then passed over had been donated as capital.

As the majority of the Benevolent Fund's investments are in listed securities, their market value (which is the figure used in the balance sheet) varies according to stock market conditions. At 31 December 2005 the market value of the investments was £334,435 above their historical cost.

Income from donations (including gift aid donations) and bequests varies from year to year and, furthermore, donations are subject to reduction during periods of economic difficulty, when demands on the Benevolent Fund tend to increase.

So far as expenditure is concerned, the bulk represents grants to beneficiaries. The total varies year by year, and in 2005 it was 3% lower than the previous year. Some beneficiaries are helped for many years (one has been receiving assistance for 45 years), whereas others require short-term (but often more) assistance. Greater longevity impacts on the Benevolent Fund, as do beneficiaries' increasing expectations. The Benevolent Fund is available to help Institution members, of whom there are some 21,000 (and their dependants) throughout the world, and seeks to do so wherever need is demonstrated.

## THE INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS BENEVOLENT FUND

### DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### Investment policy and performance

Under the Articles of Association, the Trustee-Directors have adopted rules governing the investment of funds. The Trustee-Directors have approved an investment policy under which the main objective of the portfolio is long-term growth in income and capital; the Benevolent Fund accepts modest risk in this aim. The value of the Benevolent Fund's portfolio has reflected the rise during 2005 in the various market indices. Activity in the portfolio is monitored by the Investments Sub-Committee, which receives detailed reports from the investment managers (Rensburg Sheppards Investment Management Ltd), who are represented at its twice-yearly meetings.

#### Reserves policy

The Trustee-Directors have reviewed the level of reserves that the Benevolent Fund needs in order to continue to operate within the environment set out above. Although grants are decided annually, the Trustee-Directors' policy is to offer long-term help where this is identified. Furthermore, it is not considered practicable to increase the Benevolent Fund's income substantially in the short term. Accordingly, the Trustee-Directors have adopted a ten-year planning period. An appropriate minimum level of reserves is considered to be the equivalent of ten years' expenditure on grants (some £500,000), plus a contingency for a recession period - leading to reduced income and increased expenditure - of a further £750,000, i.e. around £1,250,000. The Trustee-Directors review this policy annually in conjunction with their consideration of the annual accounts.

#### Grant-making policies

Under policies adopted by the Trustee-Directors, each case is considered on its merits (that is, there is no scale grant); grants are not made to assist in the professional development of Institution members; and grants are not, normally, made to Student members of the Institution, or to dependants or former dependants of Institution members who are children aged 21 or over or who are legally separated or divorced from the member, or for the purpose of funding private health care, or totalling more than £5,000 to any beneficiary in any year. Furthermore, payments are not made that would reduce a beneficiary's entitlement to public funding (each application is reviewed by the Benefits Consultant). If the Benevolent Fund settles debts, it will not normally pay any subsequent debts. Where applicable, the Benevolent Fund pays in respect of a beneficiary a sum to the Institution to clear their annual subscription and Engineering Council UK fee.

#### 6 PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

While keeping the Benevolent Fund's policies, procedures and activities under review, and ensuring that it operates effectively and efficiently, the Trustee-Directors currently have no plans for major change. They will continue to aim to assist between 15 and 30 Institution members and their dependants each year. The Trustee-Directors will continue to promote the Benevolent Fund to potential beneficiaries, including outside the United Kingdom where some 30% of Institution members are located.

14 March 2006

B. Simpson  
Chairman  
on behalf of the Board

THE INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS BENEVOLENT FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

		Total Unrestricted Funds	
	Notes	2005	2004
		£	£
<b>INCOME AND EXPENDITURE</b>			
<b><u>Incoming resources</u></b>			
<b>Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects</b>			
Donations and gifts		38,353	47,192
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>			
Investment income	3	27,365	26,591
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>65,718</u>	<u>73,783</u>
<b><u>Resources expended</u></b>			
<b>Costs of activities in the furtherance of the charity's objects</b>			
Grants	4	50,179	52,293
<b>Costs of generating funds</b>			
Fundraising and publicity		234	2,340
Management and administration		10,491	8,081
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>60,904</u>	<u>62,714</u>
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		4,814	11,069
Realised gains on investments		104,070	47,415
Unrealised gains on investments		241,244	40,445
Net movement in funds		<u>350,128</u>	<u>98,929</u>
Fund balance brought forward		<u>1,014,452</u>	<u>915,523</u>
Fund balance carried forward		<u>1,364,580</u>	<u>1,014,452</u>

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET  
31 DECEMBER 2005**

		2005	2004
	Notes	£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Investments	6	1,329,706	954,393
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	7	21,730	19,456
Cash at bank and in hand		15,805	42,027
		<u>37,535</u>	<u>61,483</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(2,661)	(1,424)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
		<u>34,874</u>	<u>60,059</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>			
		<u>1,364,580</u>	<u>1,014,452</u>
<b>INCOME FUND</b>			
Unrestricted funds:			
General fund			
Realised surpluses and gains		1,113,626	970,211
Unrealised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	9	250,954	44,241
		<u>1,364,580</u>	<u>1,014,452</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

On behalf of the board:

B. Simpson  
Director - Trustee

These financial statements were approved by the board on 14 March 2006

The notes on pages 9 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

# THE INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS BENEVOLENT FUND

## NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 DECEMBER 2005

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and reporting by Charities and the Companies Act 1985. No cash flow statement has been prepared since The Institution of Structural Engineers Benevolent Fund meets the requirements of a small company as defined by the Companies Act 1985. The following accounting policies have been applied consistently during the period:

#### (a) Income

##### **Donations and gifts**

Donations and gifts are included in the financial statements as received.

##### **Investment income**

Investment income, including any tax recoverable thereon, is included in the financial statements in the year in which it is receivable.

#### (b) Expenditure

Expenditure is incorporated in the financial statements as incurred, and includes irrecoverable Value Added Tax.

Grants are incorporated as committed. Any commitments payable at a later date are included in the balance sheet as creditors. Any grants which are subsequently repaid are treated as donations.

#### (c) Investments

Investments are shown at market value. Unrealised gains and losses are incorporated within the fund balance and are identified as unrealised.

Market value is based on mid market prices for listed investments.

### 2. NET INCOMING RESOURCES AND NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

The net incoming resources and net movement in funds are wholly attributable to the company's activity of the administration of funds held for charitable purposes and arise mainly within the United Kingdom.

### 3. INVESTMENT INCOME

Investment income for the year is derived from:

	2005 £	2004 £
Listed investments including Government Securities	26,538	25,738
Cash deposit	<u>827</u>	<u>853</u>
	<u>27,365</u>	<u>26,591</u>

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**NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
31 DECEMBER 2005**

**4. ANALYSIS OF TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED**

	Direct Grants £	Other £	2005 Total £	2004 Total £
<b>Costs of activities in the furtherance of the charity's objects</b>				
<b>Direct charitable expenditure:</b>				
Grants to individuals	50,179	-	50,179	52,293
<b>Costs of generating funds:</b>				
Fundraising and publicity	-	234	234	2,340
Management and administration	-	10,491	10,491	8,081
	<u>50,179</u>	<u>10,725</u>	<u>60,904</u>	<u>62,714</u>

<b>Other costs represent:</b>	2005 £	2004 £
Travel	645	869
Benefits Consultant	2,191	1,843
Administrative fees	2,350	50
Audit fees	311	294
Bank charges	105	119
Subscriptions	484	300
Investment management charges	3,795	4,116
Printing and postage	234	2,340
Sundry expenses	610	490
	<u>10,725</u>	<u>10,422</u>

Direct grants were made during the year to 20 individuals (2004 – 22).

**5. DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES**

No director received any remuneration during the year (2004 – none).

During the period three directors were reimbursed travelling expenses incurred whilst engaged on the business of the charity amounting to £230 (2004 – one director was reimbursed £177).

**6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS**

	2005 £	2004 £
At 1 January	954,393	866,532
Acquisitions at cost	455,418	306,966
Less: Disposals at opening market value or subsequent cost (Proceeds £375,300 - Profit £53,951)	(321,349)	(259,550)
	<u>1,088,462</u>	<u>913,948</u>
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation at 31 December	241,244	40,445
	<u>1,329,706</u>	<u>954,393</u>

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**6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

	2005	2004
	£	£
Investments, all of which are in the UK, are made up of:		
Listed investments including Government Securities	1,329,531	944,387
Cash deposits	175	10,006
	<u>1,329,706</u>	<u>954,393</u>
 The historical cost of fixed asset investments is:	 <u>995,271</u>	 <u>913,948</u>

The listed investments and cash deposits are managed on behalf of the company by Rensburg Sheppards Investment Management Limited on a discretionary basis and include direct investment in listed investments and government securities, and indirect investment through unit and investment trusts.

Cash deposits within the portfolio are held on overnight deposit.

Investments within the portfolio which amount to more than 5% of the total values are:

<b>Listed investments:</b>	2005	2004
	£	£
14,015 J P Morgan Flem American Ordinary	88,715	48,772
14,000 J P Morgan O/S Ordinary	-	60,130
25,615 J P Morgan Flem Jap Ordinary	84,530	-
30,560 M L World Mining Ordinary	107,418	-
	<u>280,663</u>	<u>108,902</u>
Other listed investments individually under 5%	1,048,868	835,485
Cash deposits	175	10,006
	<u>1,329,706</u>	<u>954,393</u>

**7. DEBTORS**

	2005	2004
	£	£
Amounts due within 1 year:		
Other debtors	2,730	-
Prepayments	-	456
	<u>2,730</u>	<u>456</u>
 Amounts due after 1 year:		
Secured loan to beneficiary	19,000	19,000
	<u>21,730</u>	<u>19,456</u>

The secured loan to a beneficiary was advanced on the security of a fixed charge over freehold property. The loan is repayable when vacant possession of the property is available.

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8.	<b>CREDITORS</b>	2005	2004
	Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
	Accruals	2,661	1,424
		<u>2,661</u>	<u>1,424</u>
9.	<b>RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN UNREALISED GAINS/(LOSSES) ON FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS</b>	2005	2004
		£	£
	Unrealised gains/(losses)	(44,241)	(81,552)
	In respect of disposals in year	53,951	(3,134)
		<u>9,710</u>	<u>(84,686)</u>
	Net gains/(losses) arising on revaluation in year	241,244	40,445
		<u>250,954</u>	<u>(44,241)</u>

10. **CAPITAL COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The company had no capital commitments or contingent liabilities at 31 December 2005 (2004 – none).

## THE INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS BENEVOLENT FUND

### REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS BENEVOLENT FUND

We have audited the financial statements of The Institution of Structural Engineers Benevolent fund for the year ended 31 December 2005 on pages 7 and 8 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on pages 9 to 12.

#### *Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors*

The trustees' responsibilities for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Trustees' Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the charity has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees' remuneration and transactions with the charity is not disclosed.

We read the Trustees' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Our report has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of the Companies Act 1985 and for no other purpose. No person is entitled to rely on this report unless such a person is a person entitled to rely upon this report by virtue of and for the purpose of the Companies Act 1985 or has been expressly authorised to do so by our prior written consent. Save as above, we do not accept responsibility for this report to any other person or for any other purpose and we hereby expressly disclaim any and all such liability

#### **Basis of audit opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

#### ***Opinion***

In our opinion the financial statements

:

- give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of affairs of the charity at 31 December 2005, and of the incoming resources and resources expended, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended; and
- and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

BDO STOY HAYWARD LLP

*Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors*

**LONDON**

Date 28 March 2006

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**GRANTS 2005**

<b>Case</b>		<b>£</b>	<b>First assisted</b>
49	Widow of Member, aged 88	550	1960
137	Widow of Graduate, aged 78	1550	1986
154	Daughter of deceased Fellow, aged 86	550	1990
158	Member, aged 77	2583	1990
171	Member, aged 50, unemployed *	2188	1991
198	Fellow, aged 86, married *	2798	1994
219	Student, aged 71, married	5074	1997
223	Widow of Fellow, aged 81 *	1666	1997
225	Member, aged 60, married, unemployed	6083	1998
226	Widow of Fellow, aged 76 *	883	1998
234	Member, aged 64, unemployed	1969	1999
241	Member, aged 79, married	5050	2000
247	Widow of Member, aged 48, with 2 children *	887	2001
252	Graduate, aged 51, married with 3 children, unemployed *	3781	2002
256	Fellow, aged 65, married	5894	2003
262	Member, aged 43, unemployed *	2049	2003
265	Graduate, aged 82	5074	2004
268	Widow of Associate-Member, aged 38, with 2 children *	292	2005
271	Widow of Fellow, aged 78	550	2005
272	Member, aged 61, married, unemployed	708	2005
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