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Henley Housing Trust is one of the founding members of the Housing Corporation and has been providing low cost housing in the Town for nearly 80 years. There are still Tenants in our properties who were born there!

After serving for 22 years as Treasurer, Arnold McNab retired, and John Morrow has now taken over his role. It is hoped he will be able to continue to keep our finances as well as Arnold, and to help to build up the stock for the future. He works closely with the Chief Executive, Margaret Spratley and the Housing Manager, Claire Hughes.

The Trust has provided five extra flats in the two years by buying property in the Market Place and obtaining planning permission to change single houses into flats. The last one was 62 Market Place, and this has provided a two bedroom and a single bed unit. The tenants moved in after Christmas and are delighted with their new homes. The rents are affordable, and the new tenants had been on our waiting list for several years. We were delighted that Madam Mayor Councillor Elizabeth Hodgkins, when she heard of the new project, offered to try to organise flower baskets along the railings, and this has made a very pleasant view up to the flats. One of the new tenants has offered to keep them watered. Bearing in mind the effect the recession has had on the community, the Trust has this year kept the rents as the same level as 2009, and there will be no change until April 2011, which we hope will be helpful.