



John Hunt's  
Trust for the Poor  
Parish of Ham  
1714

Extract from the Parish Register 1723

**Whereas** John Hunt late of this parish of Ham County of Wilts. Gent decd. In and by his last Will in Writing dated ye 23d day of July 1714 John Hunt did give to ye Rector & Churchwardens of ye said parish & to their successors ye Sume of Twenty pounds of lawful Money In Trust for the Poor of ye sd. Parish and to [...] as a perpetuate Stock and to be for ever imployed & dispose of by them for the most profitt and Advantage that be made thereof And the better to present ant Wise therein it is his Will that the said Twenty pounds shall be from time to time disposed of by and with the advice and consent of the Major Number of the Inhabitants of ye same p[ar]ish to be declared at their meeting in ye Vestry having Two dayes Notice at least given in ye sd. Church on any Sunday Morning after Devine Service & if ye sd. Twenty pounds or any part thereof shall be otherwise [...] the said Rector and Churchwardens for ye time being [...] [two lines obscured].