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EAST BORO'S YEAR OF GOLDEN GLORY

The New Year marks the beginning of East Boro Housing Trust's 50th anniversary year from the time the organisation was established in 1960.

Founded by Mrs Peggie Bartley, the wife of the local Wimborne Doctor at the time, East Boro remains a local Wimborne company committed to providing housing for those in need. First conceived as the Wimborne Area Housing Association, the plight of one young single and homeless Mum caught the attention of Mrs Bartley and inspired East Boro as we know it today.

Starting with just one housing scheme in 1961 the Trust has grown to own and manage over 30 housing schemes across the Dorset area. Built on firm foundations East Boro now specialises in providing housing and support services for the sheltered elderly, adults with learning disabilities and other vulnerable client groups in social housing need.

East Boro's Chief Executive Kevin Hodder comments: "This is a hugely significant year in the Trust's history and one that we wish to share with the community in which it has been a part of for so many years. We will hold a number of events to celebrate the past fifty years of East Boro."

East Boro will officially celebrate its golden glory 50th anniversary year throughout 2010 with various activities and events involving its tenants, Board Members, staff and other people associated with the Trust, past and present, over the fifty years.

Kevin Hodder continues: "As a specialist supported housing provider East Boro aims to continue Peggie Bartley's vision and both the Trust's Board and staff team work to

achieve this on a daily basis. We look forward to the new decade and further still to the challenges of the next fifty years!"

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Note for Editors:

East Boro provides accommodation for the sheltered elderly, adults with learning disabilities, single parent families, single young people and general needs housing for young couples/small families. The Trust's other services include a Sheltered Housing Warden Service, a Learning Disability Support Team, a Direct Labour Response Repair and Care-taking Service, a Handy Van Repair Service in Bournemouth and Poole, a Visiting Support Service in Poole and a Housing Related Support Service to people with physical disabilities in Bournemouth.

East Boro would be grateful if you would invite any readers involved with the Trust both past and present to share their stories with us. In particular we would like to track down a Mr Jack Loveland whose letter was published in the July 17th edition of Stour and Avon last year.

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