

HHHF Guidelines

1. This organisation is a not-for-profit organisation where all funds raised are disbursed to causes and fundraising costs, as set out below, except for minor out-of-pocket expenses.
2. In order to comply with UK legislation and the requirements of the Charity Commission, the aims of this organisation will be 'for the public benefit'.
3. This charity will raise funds for disbursement by the Trustees only for the 'charity purpose' of 'the advancement of animal welfare' a recognised charity purpose as defined by the Charity Commission and Charities Act 2011.
4. Although benefits are available to any UK or Ireland resident, this organisation is specifically founded to benefit the public in the North West and Lancashire. Given the limitations of the fundraising potential and size of this charity, the trustees will tend to support local causes.
5. At present this organisation is founded as a 'Small Charity' as defined by the Charity Commission, and as such is exempt from registration and has no registered charity number. If and when the per annum funding exceeds £5,000 the trustees will apply for formal registration with the Charity Commission.
6. Although domestic animal causes will be considered by the trustees, this organisation has been specifically created for the benefit of Equine causes. Given the limitations of the fundraising potential and size of this charity, the trustees will tend to support Horse and Pony causes.
7. The availability of benefits will specifically exclude:
 - a. All commercial or professional organisations especially training stables and livery businesses.
 - b. Injuries caused by organised horse racing activities.
 - c. Funding in place of insurance claims where claims are not made in order to avoid the payment of 'excess' fees or increase in premiums.
 - d. Domestic animal causes where there is an existing rescue/help organisation publicly available (e.g. RSPCA, or cats protection league)
8. Benefits:
 - a. Funding veterinary assistance to sick animals.
 - b. Caring for sick injured or homeless animals.
 - c. Promoting education with regard to animal welfare.
 - d. Supporting (financially) other related regional charities.
9. Benefits of the organisation will be balanced by the trustees against potential harm.
10. A Trustees Annual Report will be issued each year including summary of activities undertaken in order to carry out the aims for the public benefit.

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