

GRANTS FOR WATER/SEWERAGE CHARGES

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IMPORTANT CHANGES

- **THE TRUST FUND IS RECEIVING INCREASING NUMBERS OF APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS TOWARDS WATER / SEWERAGE CHARGES**
- **THIS HAS PLACED UNPRECEDENTED DEMAND ON OUR FUNDS.**
- **TO ENABLE US TO CONTINUE HELPING PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR THE TRUST HAS DECIDED TO ADOPT NEW CRITERIA FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS.**
- **PLEASE READ BELOW/OVERLEAF CAREFULLY AS THERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT CHANGES.**

Message to Advisors:

We very much regret that due to the overwhelming number of applications the Trust is receiving it has been necessary to review our policy and make some important changes.

The alternative would have been to stop considering applications in the coming months which is a situation that Trustees are anxious to avoid.

We hope advisors will understand the need to review policy to ensure that the fund can continue to help those in financial difficulty.

Trustees are aware that an increasing number of people in debt are finding it more and more difficult to manage their financial situations and that a grant towards their water charges provides both financial and emotional relief.

Criteria for applying for a grant toward Water/Sewerage Charges:

The maximum grant offered will be £1,000.

A grant will only be given where it is considered that the applicant would be able, in the future, to manage a sustainable budget for essential expenditure without getting into further debt.

The form must be completed in full with all sections answered as comprehensively as possible. Please remember you are competing for limited funds.

We regret that applications will NOT be considered if:

- The applicant has received a grant from the Trust previously
- The application has been completed badly and / or contains insufficient information

Please note:

The changes will take immediate effect and new criteria will also be applied to any application that is awaiting a decision.

Applications for other grants available are not affected.

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