

AUCHERNACK TRUST

Purpose of Trust

Mr William Cameron, a former postman of Forres, made provision in his Will in 1979 for the residue of his estate on death to be used for the benefit of residents of Auchernack Care Home in Forres. A Miss Beattie and Miss McConnachie also left monies in their Wills for the same purpose.

Together, these three bequests formed the Auchernack Comforts Fund Trust.

The Auchernack Care Home, however, was closed some 11 years ago resulting in the trust becoming frustrated and of no benefit.

In January 2012, the Moray Council applied to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) for the trust to be registered as a charity and with a view to reorganising the trust terms to enable them to provide public benefit.

OSCR granted registered charitable trust status in March 2012 and in August 2013, approved the reorganisation of the Auchernack Trust to enable the funds to be put to good use again.

The Trust funds today can be used for the benefit of the elderly community of the Forres area who are in need of relief by reason of advanced age.

Who can apply

Anyone within the Forres area who is need of financial relief as a result of advanced age can apply for a grant.

Groups and organisations who would like financial support for a project or activity that will benefit the elderly community in the Forres area can also apply.

The Forres area is defined by reference to a 3 mile radius from the town as shown on the attached map.

Applications are considered in May and November.

Types of Grant

Financial grants can be provided for, but are not limited to:

- One-off or regular transportation costs to social clubs, activities, and outings;
- special occasions and specific events;
- equipment or adaptations to support independence or improve quality of life;
- educational or recreational courses, interests or pursuits.

Available Funds

Total funds £806,785

The amount available to disburse in the financial year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 is £26,447

Further Information

If you need any more information on this or any other trust fund, please contact Accountancy on 01343 563125 or email accountancy.support@moray.gov.uk