

RADLEY CHARITABLE TRUST GRANT MAKING POLICY

1. The Objects of the Radley Trust (“the Trust”)

The Trust was formed in 1951 by Philip and Myrtle Radley, both in membership of the Society of Friends (Quakers), as a vehicle for making donations to other Charities and individuals deemed to be ‘most in need’ within the remit of Radley Trust objectives and values. Since 1951 the Trust has run on very much the same lines meeting four to five times per year, agreeing small grants to charities and individuals that fell into the main categories of:

- 1.1. The advancement of human rights; conflict resolution; reconciliation; the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity.
- 1.2. The relief of those in need, by reason of youth, old age, ill health, financial hardship or other disadvantages.

The trustees continue to support the nature of the Trust’s grant making of three-year rolling programmes that underpin the greater part of our ‘giving’. In exceptional circumstances one off grants maybe made.

The Trust’s objectives remain very much the same, the furtherance of:

- Conflict Resolution
- Peace
- Justice and Human Rights worldwide
- Sustainable developments in the ‘developing world’
- Equality

These objectives continue to be underpinned by the values that spring from the original (Quaker) foundation of equality, peace, sustainability, simplicity and the belief of ‘that of God in everyone’.

2. Priorities for support

- 2.1. The number of projects which can be supported by the Trust is, of necessity, limited to the amount of funds available for distribution in any year.
- 2.2. Applications with strong Quaker connections will be given higher priority.
- 2.3 Trustees will take into consideration the efficacy of the small grants that we are able to offer.

3. Principles

Radley Charitable Trust awards funding in the partnership with other organisations doing work that meets the charitable objectives usually but not exclusively as three-year rolling programmes.

In awarding three year rolling programmes the trustees will apply the following principles:

- 3.1. The Trust will make grants of up to £3000 per year for up to three years;
- 3.2 In most cases partnerships funding will be for a single triennium (period of three years). In exceptional circumstances further funding may be agreed by trustees;
- 3.3. After initial assessment, applications to this stream of funding are considered by trustees at face-to-face meetings. The Trust reserves the right to remove applications that do not fit with its objectives from trustees’ consideration;

3.4. Applications can come for work being done anywhere in the world including activities based within the UK.

3.5. Applications should be made by organisations rather than individuals. Trustees may consider making grants to individuals who are doing specific work on behalf of charities or organisations that meet the Trust's objectives;

3.5. The Trust will look favourably upon organisations doing grassroots work in areas that other organisations can't or won't fund. There is a strong preference for funding specific projects that the Trust's money can be seen to be having a positive effect on the lives of people who are marginalised;

3.6. There are no restrictions of age, gender, race or other characteristics that could discriminate against any application;

3.7. The Trust will, where possible, form a relationship with the partnership organisation throughout the duration of the funding;

3.8. The Trust makes grants for restricted use. If the original purpose is not fulfilled the recipient must inform the Trust of this and will be required to return the money. In exceptional circumstances trustees may be prepared to consider an alternative use of the funding if it fulfils a comparable purpose.

4. Exclusions

The trustees will not normally approve the use of the Trust's funds for medical research, education, postgraduate study, or purposes for which the government has a statutory responsibility to provide. It will not consider funding areas that are not consistent with its objectives or Quaker principles as laid out in Quaker Faith and Practice, the Book of Discipline of the Religious Society of Friends in Britain.

5. Grant application process

All applications for grants should be completed in conjunction with this policy. They must be made by written application sent by email to:

radleycharitabletrust@gmail.com.

6. Information requirements before awarding a grant

Before awarding a grant to any organisation or individual, the trustees require that the application should:

6.1. Inform the trustees of the purpose of the application and the way in which the grant will be used;

6.2. Show how and when reports will be made to the Trust and arrange to visit a meeting of Radley Trustees at least once during the life of the partnership.

7. Assessment process

7.1. All grant applications will be subject to initial assessment to ensure they meet the basic criteria for funding. Applicants must be prepared to provide such other information as the trustees may reasonably require to assist them in their decision-making process. Applications suitable for grants will be considered by the trustees at their meetings, and the trustees will aim to write to all applicants that have reached that stage informing them of the outcome of their application for funding within a week of their meetings.

7.2. Applicants should note that, as with many other charitable trusts, the Radley Charitable Trust receives far more applications than it has funds to support. Even if an application fits within the criteria and priorities of the Trust and a detailed assessment has been made; the Trust may still be unable to award a grant;

7.3. The trustees will not be obliged to provide an explanation to the applicant should their application be unsuccessful.

8. Reporting to the Trust

8.1. It is the policy of the trustees that all partnership grants are monitored, and reports are given annually at least. Where possible reports will be given in person. If a personal report is not possible or appropriate there are other means available for reporting.