



Provincial Charity Committee

Newsletter December 2017

ANNUAL STATISTICAL RETURN

Hopefully you will all have completed the return by now and sent it to your PCA. If you haven't, please do so as soon as possible.

PLEASE DO NOT SENT THE FORM TO THE PROVINCIAL OFFICE.

The Masonic Charitable Foundation – Hospice Grants 2017

The MCF is delighted to announce that it has approved £450,000 for hospices in England and Wales. In addition, £150,000 has been awarded in partnership with Hospice UK, the national charity for hospice care. This is a pilot project to give more substantial grants to hospices. The grants will help develop and extend bereavement support services in hospices; the effect of these services will enhance the well-being of bereaved families or individuals. The approved grants totalling £150,000 will be announced in March 2018. Since 1984, over £12 million has been donated to Hospices in England and Wales through the Masonic Charitable Foundation.

The Hospices in the Province of Yorkshire, West Riding receiving grants are:

£1,400	Barnsley Hospice
£2,354	Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice
£1,541	Forget Me Not Children's Hospice
£2,440	Kirkwood Hospice
£2,440	Manorlands Sue Ryder Care
£2,440	Marie Curie Centre Bradford
£2,530	Martin House Children's Hospice
£1,580	Overgate Hospice
£1,670	Prince of Wales Hospice
£1,900	Saint Michael's Hospice
£4,080	St Gemma's Hospice
£2,800	St Luke's – The Sheffield
£2,260	The Rotherham Hospice Trust
£1,940	Wakefield Hospice
<u>£2,620</u>	<u>Wheatfields Hospice – Sue Ryder</u>
£33,995	

MCF COMMUNITY GRANTS

Whirlow Hall Farm Trust	£12,030	Over two years
Doncaster Housing for Young People	£4,487	
Moor Allerton Elderly Care	£1,952	
Live Inclusive	£3,000	
Sheffield Young Carers Project	£5,000	

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CHARITY STEWARD BRIEFINGS

Area Charity Chairmen have confirmed the following dates for area briefings in 2018:

Area	Date/Time	Location	Contact
1	7.30pm for 7.30pm Tuesday 3th April 2018	Hoyle Court Masonic Rooms, Otley Road, Baildon, Shipley BD17 6JS	W Bro John Sharman John.sharman@sky.com
2	6.00pm for meal at 6.30pm and meeting at 7.15pm Monday 12th March 2018	Greenhead Masonic Hall, 26 Greenhead Road, Huddersfield, HD1 4EN	W Bro Trevor Wilkinson trevorwilkinson999@btinternet.com
3	09.45am for 10am, Saturday 27 th January 2018	Masonic Hall, Westbourne House Westbourne Close, Otley, LS21 3LG	W Bro Derek Riley 2dwriley@gmail.com
4	10.00am for 10.30, Saturday 3th March 2018 10.00am for 10.30, Saturday 17th March 2018	Masonic Hall, Priory Place, Doncaster, DN1 1BZ Tapton Masonic Hall, Shore Lane, Sheffield S10 3BU	W Bro Alan Hay alanhey@talktalk.net
5	6.30pm for 6.45pm, Thursday 15th February 2018	Masonic Hall, Bruntcliffe Road, Morley, Leeds, LS27 0QG	W Bro Winston Pettit win.pettit@live.co.uk

If you are unable to attend the meeting in your own area, feel free to join one of the others. In any event, please advise the appropriate contact of your intention to attend as soon as possible but at least seven days before the meeting.

The sessions are, as ever, intended to be informal opportunities for Charity Stewards to meet their PCAs, discuss any issues that cause them concern and receive updates on the latest Charity topics. The Briefings this year will include a short talk by one of the Members of the MCF, they are the Provinces representatives at the MCF and also a short presentation will be given by a representative of CHOICES. There have been many changes to lodge Charity Stewards since the end of the Festival and I hope all new Charity Stewards will attend with their Worshipful Master who will gain a better understanding of the duties of his Charity Steward.

Whilst these get-togethers are primarily intended for charity stewards, they are open to anyone with an interest in charity – a potential charity steward perhaps? I encourage anyone with such an interest to attend, advising the appropriate contact accordingly.

MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Provincial Charity Committee will be at 7.00pm on Tuesday 23rd January 2018 at the Masonic Hall, Bruntcliffe Road, Morley.

W Bro James S Watson
Provincial Grand Charity Steward

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