

(also known as Lindow Workhouse Trust)

Aims of the Trust

The Trust exists to assist individual persons or families with specific needs that cannot be met by other means.

There is flexibility as to what assistance or needs can mean, but in practice this consists mainly of individual financial contributions to help with the costs of appropriate items and activities in connection with the home, education or health that, at the time they are needed, cannot be afforded by the person or family involved.

For example, in relation to the elderly, help may be given with fuel costs; in relation to families, help may be given with some essential costs of setting up or running a home; and in relation to education, assistance may be given with the cost of school uniforms, trips or after school activities.

Anyone interested in seeking assistance for themselves or another person can obtain further details or advice from the Trust Administrator before any formal request for help is put to the Trustees for consideration.

All requests are kept confidential and as informal as possible. However appropriate information will need to be set out briefly in writing in a formal request to the Trust Administrator, to assist consideration of the matter by the Trustees.

This information sheet is available for circulation generally, including to Churches, Medical Centres, Schools, Health and Social Workers, Scout and Guide groups, individuals and voluntary organisations of all kinds.

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A Brief History of the Trust

The Trust was formed in 1772 as the Lindow Workhouse Charity, subsequently known as the Lindow Workhouse Trust, initially to build and fund the Workhouse which stood on the land now occupied by Gorsey Bank School on Altrincham Road, Wilmslow.

Following the Poor Law Amendment Act of 1836 the monies were used to help people "in need" living within the Ancient Parish of Wilmslow. This covered the areas of Pownall Fee, Bollin Fee, Chorley (now Alderley Edge) and Fulshaw. These old boundaries define the limits of our present day operations and a map is available outlining this area.

All the capital of the Trust is now invested with the Charities Investment Fund run by the Charities Commission, to create an income.

'Lindow Trust' was adopted as a working name in 2015.