

The Chairman and the Executive team of IWFM have approved the following policy on the generation of charitable donations by IWFM's staff and wider volunteer communities, whilst acting on behalf of, or representing IWFM.

As an organisation there are times when we collect monies on behalf of specific chosen Charities. This policy identifies which Charities are nominated and what happens to any collections made.

The IWFM have selected an Organisational Charity that fits with the strategic direction, objectives and values of the IWFM. The Charities purpose also fits with the IWFM's position on, the positive impact that professional workplace and facilities management can have on organisational performance; in this case, organisations that are playing crucial roles in important areas of society.

Alongside the Organisational charity the IWFM Chairman elects their own personal Charity to support for the length of their tenure. This charity is nominated based on personal values or experiences.

The following Charities have been nominated:

Organisational Charity



The IWFM has signed up to an MOU with the Ethical Property Foundation [EPF] to be our charity partner for the next 5 years. <https://www.ethicalproperty.org.uk/>

EPF works collaboratively across the voluntary sector and property industry. This collaboration with IWFM will have exclusivity as the only membership property industry body but will not preclude other charity partnerships with other socially responsible companies and organisations.

Chairs Charity



As the current IWFM Chair, Martin Bell has chosen the National Autistic Society [NAS] as his elected Charity. <https://www.autism.org.uk/>

Founded in 1962 the NAS are the UK's leading charity for autistic people and their families. Their goal is to help transform lives, change attitudes and create a society that works for autistic people. Autism is a lifelong, developmental disability that affects how a person communicates with, and relates to other people, and how they experience the world around them.

Policy Principles

- Any charitable funds raised through community activities should in the first instance be donated equally between the IWFM Organisational Charity and the Chairman's charity
- Where committees, or community groups wish to donate to a separate charity from that nominated by the Chairman, a minimum of 50% of the amount raised should be donated to the Organisational Charity [EPF], with the remainder going to the committee, or community group's local charity of choice.
- Funds raised for Charities outside the Organisational or Chairman's charity, or not previously agreed with the Community development team; will not be allocated or distributed by IWFM
- If the Committee or community group is outside of the UK, then the 50% of the amount raised should go to a local charity for the area/country with similar objectives or values to the IWFM.
- Where a Region or SIG wishes to support a charity that is not nominated by the Organisation or Chairman; the charity's activities should link to a specific geographic location or relevant area of interest and should not conflict with IWFM's purpose and mission.
- Donations 'in kind' such as food stuffs, clothing, toiletries or other is permitted.
- IWFM volunteers and communities should advise IWFM's Community Development Team before engaging in any fundraising that is not on behalf of the Organisational or Chairman's nominated charities; e.g. if outside the UK
- Advisement of any Charity collections should be done on an annual basis alongside the annual activity planning and not piecemeal at each event. IWFM volunteers and communities should report to the Community Development Team the amounts raised on behalf of any charities after each event, and again on an annual basis
- Once approval is provided, the Community Development Team will maintain a record of the chosen charities, reporting back to Members' Council annually on the level of fundraising activity and donations made to each charity.

**On behalf of the IWFM and Chairman and the chosen charities, we thank you for your support.
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