BOWLS LEICESTERSHIRE BENEVOLENT FUND

Comprising of the Benevolent Fund (Founded 1948) Reg Charity No 215632 and Flower Fund Revised Charities Act 1993

1. The Fund shall be known as the Bowls Leicestershire Benevolent Fund and shall be maintained by voluntary donations from clubs and individuals and from other sources that the Executive Committee may adopt.

2. The Benevolent Fund was awarded Charitable Status in 1948 and it shall be managed by an Executive Committee consisting of a minimum of two and maximum of four Trustees.

3. The Executive Committee shall appoint replacement Trustees in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Charity Commission.

4. The Executive shall appoint one of the Trustees to act as Treasurer and shall be administered by a Secretary appointed by the Executive Committee.

5. The Fund shall be lodged in a Bank Account in the name of the Trustees and shall be operated by the Signatures of the Treasurer jointly with either the Secretary or one nominated Trustee.

6. The Fund shall be used to grant money to assist those necessitous bowlers who are or who have recently been a member of a club affiliated to Bowls Leicestershire. The Trustees may, at their discretion make grants to necessitous dependants of deceased members in exceptional circumstances. Donations may, from time to time, also be made to Charities at the discretion of the Trustees.

7. Applications for any grant for assistance for members shall be made in writing to the Secretary of the Fund by the Committee of the members Club, however, the Trustees, can be approached by any club member directly in order to maintain personal confidentiality.

8. The financial year shall be 1 January - 31st December.

April 2023.

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2025 TRUSTEES FOR THE FUND

Trustee and Treasurer	Andrew Ward. 1 Southfield Close, Scraptoft, Leics LE7 9UR	***andrew@awardms.co.uk***
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Secretary	Debra Hardwick.4 Fishpond Way, Loughborough LE11 2SF	***debra.hardwick@virgin.net***

BRIEF DETAILS OF THE FUND.

The Fund is managed by a Committee consisting of a minimum of two and maximum of four permanent Trustees named above.

The Fund exists in order to assist Leicestershire Bowlers and their dependants. This will be decided by the Trustees. To qualify for assistance in relief of hardship, the claimant must have or had recent membership of a subscribing Club affiliated to Bowls Leicestershire.

The object of the Fund is to help all members of the Men's Section who are in need of assistance and this can only be made possible if each and every Club contributes annually to the Fund. Grants are also made to widows of recently deceased members.

Recommendations for assistance often are made through the Committees of Clubs to the Secretary of the Fund. The Trustees are aware that members in the interest of personal confidentiality may prefer to contact the Trustees directly. Every personal approach will be dealt with as quickly as possible

The Trustees will greatly appreciate any donations from Clubs for arranging Competitions, Bowls Drives, Raffles, Spiders, etc. for the benefit of this Fund.

The Trustees appeal to all Clubs and their members to support the Fund.
Contributions should be sent to the Benevolent Fund Treasurer:
Andrew Ward. 1 Southfield Close, Scraptoft, Leicester, LE7 9UR
before 31st December for inclusion in the accounts for that year.
Cheques should be payable to: Bowls Leicestershire Benevolent Fund.