

Legacy Policy in brief:

Policy Overriding Aim

It is the policy of Filey PCC is to use legacy gifts to further the work of the church here in Filey, including mission and outreach to the people of Filey and the development of our buildings, facilities or staff to help that happen. The overriding aim of this policy is to use every gift received to make a real and meaningful difference in the parish where it is most needed.

Accordingly, the PCC encourages donors to leave their legacy gift for the general purposes of the parish.

Specific circumstances

Within its legal capacity, the PCC will endeavour to fulfil specific donor requests but acknowledges that, as the needs of the parish can change over time, it may not always be possible to satisfy explicit donor requests within a realistic timeframe. In such circumstances the PCC will seek to discuss the matter with the executors and obtain necessary and relevant legal advice.

On request and whenever possible, a representative of the PCC will discuss with donors or executors the most appropriate use of any proposed or actual gift in the light of current projects and the donor's known areas of interest in the church, whilst promoting the overall aim of the mission and ministry of the church.

Recording Legacy gifts will be recognised in the accounting records of the PCC only when received.

The PCC will allocate each legacy gift to the most appropriate reserve fund, taking into account the nature of the gift, including any restrictions or directions as to its use indicated by the donor or executors, and the needs of the parish at the time.

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