

Fundraising Help Sheet

Fundraising covers a wide range of activities that help to generate income for your group/organisation. This Help! sheet highlights issues that Management Committees need to be aware of in relation to fundraising and signposts to sources of further information and advice.

Useful contacts & links

[Fundraising Regulator](#) - the independent regulator of charitable fundraising in England, Wales & Northern Ireland.

[Chartered Institute of Fundraising](#) - provides useful guidance on fundraising standards, legal requirements and best practice.

[Institute of Fundraising in Northern Ireland](#) - provide a helpline on Fundraising Standards. Contact 07392 550336 or [email](#).

[Charity Commission for Northern Ireland](#) - provides useful links to a range of fundraising information. Also click [here](#) for a review of fundraising regulation produced by the Commission.

[Inland Revenue](#) - provides information on tax requirements associated with trading and charitable trading.

[NICVA Fundraising Advice Service](#) - provides guidance on a range of fundraising methods and tools.

[NICVA Governance and Charity Advice Service](#) - provides guidance on trading by charities and fundraising legislation.

[Grant Tracker](#) - a one-stop resource for fundraising news, guidance and search tools.

Fundraising is a way to generate income for your group/organisation. There are a range of different types of fundraising activities, some of which are highlighted below. Use the links to access further details on specific activities. Public Collections, Street and house-to-house collections can only be carried out with police permission. Collections are governed by legislation such as the Police, Factories etc (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1916 and the House to House Charitable Collections Act (NI) 1952.

[More on collections](#)

Lotteries

Lotteries that include, draws or ballots are strictly regulated and can only be carried on in accordance with the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (NI) Order 1985.

[More on lotteries](#)

Trading

There are a range of trading activities that an organisation may undertake as part of its fundraising options. Trading is likely to have tax implications, therefore, guidance should always be sought.

There are also certain restrictions on the type of trading a charity may become engaged in.

[More on trading](#)

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Professional Fundraisers

Where the Management Committee decides to employ a professional fundraiser or enter into a commercial sponsorship agreement there should be a written agreement that sets out the terms of the relationship. If you are a charity, it is important that the relationship will not in any way damage the name or reputation of the charity. [Click here](#) for more on Professional Fundraisers.