

How can we help?

St Helen's Community Fund

Supporting members of the local community
in need of financial assistance



About the Community Fund

For several decades the St Helen's Community Fund has provided support to all sorts of people who have needed help. We want to help, so please contact us and we will see what we can do. We make small grants (up to a few hundred pounds) and can often tell you about other charities that may also be able to help.

The fund is mainly for Wheathampstead residents and members of St Helen's & St Peter's Churches. However, we also support others in the local community, for example those who are homeless.

The small print

- All applications are treated in the strictest of confidence. We would only pass on your details to other organisations with your permission.
- You can apply for support for yourself, or someone else can apply for you. Either way please provide documents to show why you require support - for example copies (or screen shots) of bills / statements.
- Applications for assistance are granted at the discretion of the Rector or Churchwardens using the principles of the fund as guidance and priority is given to individuals and families who have not received previous grants from the Fund
- Once your application has been received, the Rector or Churchwardens will notify you of our decision, as soon as possible.

Contact Details:

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What we can help with

Here are some examples of help we have given recently:

- ☑ Utility bills (gas / electricity / water)
- ☑ Contributions towards rent or council tax
- ☑ Clothing (including school uniforms)
- ☑ Essential home appliances
- ☑ Emergency food or travel
- ☑ School trips
- ☑ Exceptional repair / maintenance of home
- ☑ Funding for short term emergency accommodation, when no other alternative exists

If you would like support for another reason, please contact us to discuss whether we can help.

What next?

Fill in the simple form attached, or contact the Rector or Churchwarden by telephone or email. Please include copies of any information which will help us understand why you need support.

We will contact you and ask for more details of your situation if necessary. Once we have considered your request we will let you know how we can help. We do this as quickly as possible—normally within a few days. If you have not heard from us within a week, please give us a call to check on progress.

We usually help by making payments direct, purchasing goods or services direct, or making a contribution towards them.



Application form

Please complete the form below so we can consider your request for assistance.
Your applications will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

Details of the person completing this form

Your name			
Full address			
Tel No.			
Email			
Are you the person in need of assistance?	YES	NO	(Please delete accordingly)

If you are completing this form on behalf of another person please provide their contact details

Name
Full address
Tel No.
Email

Please explain why you need support (continue on a separate sheet if needed).
What documents and/or information are you providing to support this application?
Signed _____ Date _____

Please return this form to: **The Rector and Churchwardens,
The Rectory, Old Rectory Gardens, Wheathampstead, AL4 8AD**

We will only pass on your details to other organisations if you give us your permission.

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