



King Charles III Charitable Fund (KCCF)
Gift Acceptance Policy
March 2026





Policy statement

King Charles III Charitable Fund ("the Fund ") accepts funding from a variety of public and private sector supporters to further the Fund's charitable activity. The Fund is registered with the Fundraising Regulator.

The Gift Acceptance Policy sets out the principles that the Fund will follow when seeking and accepting gifts from individuals and organisations, and the commitment that it makes to donors and prospective donors. The purpose of this policy is also to provide guidance for the Trustees, staff, and other stakeholders with regard to their responsibilities concerning gifts to the Fund.

The Trustees are ultimately responsible for the acceptance of donations or gifts, with support from the Executive Director, the Head of Governance and other external professional advisers.

The Trustees have delegated authority and authorised the Executive Director to accept donations of up to £25,000, on behalf of the Trustees, where no risks are identified through the due diligence process and consideration of this gift acceptance policy. Any gifts of between £25,000 and £50,000 where no risks are identified may be approved by the Executive Director with the endorsement of the Chair of Trustees on behalf of the Trustees.

The Fund will not accept gifts that:

- Compromise our status and integrity as an independent charity;
- Are in conflict with our mission and values or charitable objectives;
- Are accompanied by restrictions unacceptable to our Trustees;
- Could damage the reputation of our Founder, His Majesty King Charles III, other charities founded by HM The King or our partners;
- Cause any other damage, including financial, to the Fund;
- Are believed to be associated with illegal or criminal sources;
- Are associated with organisations who have caused significant negative environmental impact;
- Come from a donor who does not have the mental ability to decide to donate;
- Cannot legally be given to the Fund;
- Could bring unacceptable burdens that outweigh its benefit to the Fund;
- Do not align with regulatory guidance and professional advice.

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Regulatory Compliance and Best Practice

The Fund will comply with all relevant legislation as well as latest Fundraising codes of practice and Charity Commission guidance and toolkits on due diligence, accepting, refusing and returning donations as well as monitoring the end use of funds, to inform decisions relating to the provenance of potential donations, and accepting or refusing or returning donations. Relevant legislation includes:

- The Charities Act 1992: in relation to commercial participators and professional fundraisers.
- The Charities Act 2011: in relation to seeking the views of the Charity Commission on whether to accept or refuse a particular donation, or an order to sanction the trustees' dealings with charity property.
- The Bribery Act 2010: in relation to bribery offences and requires the Fund to ensure, through due diligence and risk controls, that the receipt of a gift is not in relation to some inappropriate benefit that might be afforded the donor.
- Finance Act 2025: in relation to rules governing tainted donations.
- Proceeds of Crime Act 2002: in relation to suspected money laundering.
- Terrorism Act 2000: in relation to disclosures of beliefs or suspicions of terrorism offences.
- Data (Use and Access) Act 2025 and Data Protection Act 2018: in relation to how the Fund uses and accesses donors personal information.

In accordance with legal obligations and best practice guidance, the Fund's staff and Trustees carry out due diligence on all prospective donors, proportionate to the size of the donation.

Due diligence is carried out in accordance with the Fund's Due Diligence process note approved by the Trustees. A record of the due diligence is kept for future reference in line with the Fund's data retention schedule. Any doubts over the provenance or acceptability of any gifts should be raised with the Executive Director, who is responsible for reviewing the due diligence report and advising the Trustees whether the gift should be accepted or refused, in line with this policy and related procedures. The Trustees make the final decision on whether to accept, refuse or return donations.

In the case of potentially controversial gifts or donors, the Fund may choose not to solicit or accept a gift from an organisation or individual. **Appendix A** sets out a number of risk indicators and factors that the Fund would consider as part of this decision. Decisions on whether to proceed will generally need to be made prior to the receiving the donation in the Fund's bank account.

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Where concerns are raised about a historic donation, the Fund will follow a similar process as set out in this policy in order to determine whether it is appropriate to retain or return the donation. If Trustees decide to return a banked donation, this will be done in accordance with Charity Commission regulations (namely that the donation is illegal, or there is a reasonable expectation of detriment to the achievement of the purposes of the Fund, or that the terms and conditions of the donation provide for it to be returned in particular circumstances). Where a decision is made to return or refuse a gift, the decision and the rationale for the decision will be recorded in writing.

The Fund may seek legal or professional advice in situations where it has been offered:

1. Shares that are not publicly traded particularly if subject to restrictions or buy-sell agreements;
2. Gifts of land or buildings;
3. Any interest free loan arrangements that include repayment provisions to a donor or third party;
4. Donations from overseas, where the origin of the funds cannot be properly ascertained.

In accordance with Anti-money Laundering legislation, the Fund will refuse the following:

- Offers of donations in cash, where for a certain period of time, the Fund is to receive the interest, but the principal to be returned to the donor at the end of the specified period.
- Donations in foreign currencies, with the provision as above, but the principal to be returned to the donor in the form of a sterling cheque
- Offers of donations in cash, where it is not possible to trace the source of the money (with the exception of charity collections).
- Any donation of £25,000 or more which is received anonymously or which otherwise causes suspicion or concern. The Fund adheres to regulatory guidance and reporting requirements in relation to anonymous donations.

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Appendix A - Risk indicators and factors to consider when refusing a donation

1. If there is published or credible evidence that the proposed gift will be made from a source that arises in whole or in part from an activity that
 - Was illegal
 - Evaded taxation or involved fraud
 - Violated international conventions that bear on human rights

Unproven allegations or rumours under any of the above points will not themselves prevent acceptance of a particular gift, but care will be taken in accepting any donation, or continuing negotiations towards a possible donation, where there is significant potential damage to the Fund and its Founder's reputation.

2. If the activity to be funded by the gift creates unacceptable conflicts of interest for the Fund.
3. Where the money derives from a source contrary to the Fund's mission.
4. If the proposed gift or any of its terms will seriously damage the reputation of the Fund, its Founder or if it will harm the Fund's relationship with other donors, supporters and partners.
5. If the proposed gift is a cash donation of £10,000 or over made by a single transaction, or if there are suspicions of money laundering.

The Fund will not necessarily refuse a gift solely based on potential or perceived negative public relations. It will carefully consider whether, by accepting the gift, the Fund would face a level of media interest resulting in significant damage to the reputation of the Fund.