

Campaigns and Political Activity Policy

Purpose

This document outlines our policy for campaigns and political activity within our charity.

Applicability

This policy applies to trustees, staff and volunteers, and only be amended by agreement from a majority of the trustees.

How We Will Campaign

We recognise that campaigning and political activity can be legitimate and valuable activities for charities to undertake, however, we do not currently get involved in any campaigns or political activity.

We may campaign for a change in the law, policy or decisions, where such change would support the charity's purposes, or to ensure that existing laws are observed.

We shall remain independent and will not support or fund a political party, candidate or politician. We may support policies advocated by political parties if it would help us achieve our charitable purposes.

We believe in the right for others to protest peacefully. However, we would neither encourage nor condone any activity that broke the law or caused significant distress or harm to individuals.

Risk Management

To mitigate risk, we shall ensure when considering campaigning and political activity that we weigh up the benefits against the costs and risks before deciding if it is an effective way of supporting our purpose. If trustees, staff or volunteers are involved in campaigns or political activity, then they shall ensure that they do not involve or quote the charity or make any statements which imply the charity's involvement.

Availability

This policy is published on our website https://www.colburymemorialhall.org.uk/ and shall be given to anyone who wishes to have a copy.

Version Control - Approval and Review

This policy shall be reviewed and approved annually by trustees, following a change in legislation or other significant factor.

Version No	Approved By	Approval Date	Main Changes	Review Period
1.0	Trustees	31.10.2025	First version approved	Annual