THE LAPWORTH CHARITY – News Article – November 2023

Each year the Lapworth Charity offers various grants, details of which are shown below:

WINTER FUEL ALLOWANCE

Thanks to a very generous legacy from one of their original benefactors, Henry Billing, the Lapworth Charity is able to offer grants towards winter fuel costs. These are payable to those residents of the parish of Lapworth who are retired and have a low income, usually less than the threshold at which income tax becomes payable. In some cases, the Charity will consider requests from other residents who do not fall into this category and each application will be considered on merit.

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

If you are a resident of the parish of Lapworth and are currently experiencing 'general' financial hardship, it may be that the Charity could provide you with a supportive grant. In the first instance, please email the Secretary/Administrator for further information on how to apply.

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS – ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/24

If you are a student living in the Parish of Lapworth, who is studying in higher education, grants for eligible students are available from the Lapworth Charity. These grants are offered to cover a proportion of accommodation fees, travelling expenses, books and computer purchases. Evidence of expenditure is required at the point of application, so you are advised to keep your receipts and your application will require verification by a parent/guardian. Please note that Tuition fees funded by the Government Loan Scheme will not be eligible.

SCHOOL/COLLEGE TRANSPORT FOR YOUNG PERSONS - ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/24

Now that Warwickshire County Council no longer funds transport to and from school/college for students aged 16-19, the Trustees of the Lapworth Charity will consider grants to cover up to 50% of the costs. To be eligible, applicants have to live in the parish of Lapworth and will be required to provide proof of expenditure. These grants are normally only paid when household income is less than £50,000 although grants may be considered if the income is above this sum and there are other factors to be taken into consideration.

Consideration will also be given to applications on behalf of students under 16 years old who are not attending their nearest 'qualifying' school.

ASSISTANCE WITH CHIROPODY COSTS

If you are not eligible for NHS Chiropody, but are paying out for chiropody services, it could be that the Lapworth Charity are able to assist you with the costs. There is no age restriction, but applicants are most likely to be on a low income, usually less than the threshold at which income tax becomes payable. Applicants must be residents of the parish of Lapworth

GENERAL:

For further information, or to make an application, please visit the website www.lapworthcharity.com (see 'Individual Grants') and download the relevant application form (or contact the Secretary/Administrator for more information). Completed forms should be emailed to:

Mrs Helen Wollerton, Secretary/Administrator to the Lapworth Charity: email: lapworthcharity@gmail.com.

PLEASE NOTE:

All applications will be treated in the strictest confidence.