

Proposal to offer a Rescare Regular Giving Scheme

Rescare's main source of income in recent years has been our Annual Membership Fee and the generous individual donations from Members and their families.

In the year to December 2020, this raised £10,278 for Rescare's work. We were also fortunate, in this particular year, to raise £20,000 through grant funding. However, grant funding is never guaranteed, and we still reported a £3,000 loss in 2020.

To ensure that Rescare continues to survive and thrive, the Trustees recognise that it is extremely important to grow long-term regular income streams. We will continue to apply for trust and grant funding (these are likely to be significant part of our income in the next 5 years) and to organise fundraising activities such as the Hula Hoop challenge. But in addition to these, the Trustees are proposing the provision of a voluntary Regular Giving Scheme.

This type of Scheme is in place with other charities, and it has the advantage of providing a more stable, predictable monthly income for Rescare. This in turn enables us to have a firmer financial foundation on which to plan our activities.

Gift Aid can still be reclaimed, if appropriate, from these donations.

How will this affect my Annual Subscription?

You can continue to pay your Annual Subscription, which is currently £20 per year, without change and this is still a form of regular giving – and Rescare remains grateful to all members who support us this way.

However, if you wish, or if it is more convenient - you may choose to set up a monthly, regular amount to Rescare – either in addition to your Annual Subscription or instead of. We suggest a minimum contribution of £2 per month.

We expect the Regular Giving Scheme to be used by *members and non-members and we hope that it will start to form a significant, predictable part of our resources over the next 5 years rather than Rescare having to depend on the uncertainty of grant funding.

5G: Proposal: Rescare will offer a Regular Giving Scheme to encourage a long-term stable income for the charity.

*To become a member requires the completion of our membership application form and a commitment to the Rescare Regular Giving Scheme or a donation of at least £20 per annum. Membership provides the benefit of a vote at Rescare Annual and General Meetings, giving a voice in how the charity is run, as well as unlimited use of our helpline services, attendance at online forums and regular editions of Resnews.