

You and your Will

Many of us would like to know that after our death our money and property will pass down to the people and good causes that we love and care about.

The best way to ensure this is to leave clear, legal instructions in the form of a Will.

Your Will can be changed at any time, either by making a new one or amending an existing one.

When you die your estate may be liable to inheritance tax, if the value of your assets including your home exceeds the relevant tax free limit.

However any gifts of money or other assets that you leave to charity will be free of tax and may reduce the rate charged to the remainder of your estate.

Your solicitor will be able to advise you of the potential advantage of leaving part of your estate to a registered charity such as the Samson Centre for MS.

Please always take professional legal advice from a solicitor before making your Will.

Taking Action

If you wish to leave a legacy to the Samson Centre for MS there are three main kinds of gifts you can leave. These are each listed below together with a brief explanation and suggested wording which may be of assistance to you and your Solicitor.

Specific bequest: This is when you gift a named item such as shares or property.

Suggested wording for a specific bequest is:

"I give and bequeath unto the Samson Centre for MS (a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England & Wales no. 1157827) my [... description ...] to be applied for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of the Samson Centre for MS shall be sufficient discharge to my Trustees."

Pecuniary bequest: This is when you gift a fixed sum of money, which can if preferred be index-linked to preserve its value in the time between your will being made and executed.

Suggested wording for a pecuniary bequest is:

"I give and bequeath unto the Samson Centre for MS (a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England & Wales no. 1157827) the sum of £..... to be applied for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of the Samson Centre for MS shall be sufficient discharge to my Trustees."

Residuary bequest: This is when you gift the residue of your estate.

Suggested form of wording for a residuary bequest is:

"Subject to the payment of my funeral and testamentary expenses I give devise and bequeath the residue of my real and personal property of whatsoever nature and wheresoever situate of or to which I shall be entitled at the date of my death to my Trustees upon trust for the Samson Centre for MS (a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England & Wales no. 1157827) absolutely to be applied for its general charitable purposes and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of the Samson Centre for MS shall be sufficient discharge to my Trustees."

If you wish to gift only a share of the residue of your estate your solicitor will best explain how the bequest should be worded.

In Memoriam

Many people choose to remember a loved one, friend or colleague by making a donation in memoriam.

Relatives can request donations as an alternative to sending flowers to a funeral.

Both are fitting ways to remember a special person, while at the same time helping others.

Please let us know the name of the person in whose memory you are donating.

*Leaving a legacy doesn't
have to be complicated or
the gift large.*

*We receive all kinds of
gifts in memoriam and in
people's Wills.*

*We are most grateful for
that support.*

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The Samson Centre for MS...

...is based on the outskirts of Guildford and provides over 3,500 physiotherapy sessions, almost 4,000 exercise classes, over 2,500 oxygen therapy treatments to people who are living with multiple sclerosis in Surrey and surrounding areas.

Multiple sclerosis is a debilitating disease which attacks the central nervous system and is both permanent and progressive. It is the most common neurological condition among young adults today, affecting approximately one in 600 of the UK population.

Whilst this chronic disease is as yet incurable, it is treatable. Research has shown that exercise and fitness are essential to the health and well being of MS sufferers.

The Centre also prides itself in providing a warm, welcoming environment. Social interaction is particularly important for people living, or caring for someone, with multiple sclerosis. Over a cup of tea or coffee, sufferers, their families and carers use the lounge area to meet up and talk to others in a similar position to themselves

Our support and facilities offer very practical solutions that assist in managing this most difficult of conditions. This enables people of all ages who are living with this lifelong autoimmune disease to enjoy the best quality of life for as long as they possibly can.

As a totally self-funded charity with costs in excess of £200,000 per annum any gift, in memoriam or in a Will, no matter how large or small, will be greatly appreciated and put to good use.



Supporting the future
of people
living with
Multiple Sclerosis

by bequest