

The Benevolent Fund Annual Review

In order that the Benevolent Fund can monitor the welfare of police widows and widowers in the force area, an annual review is undertaken each year.

Widows and widowers living in the force area are contacted by a local Police Officer/ PCSO whilst those living outside the Force are contacted by the Fund Administrator.

What is the purpose of the annual visit?

- To maintain contact and monitor wellbeing of police widows and widowers
- To ensure up to date contact information is maintained
- To establish if there is any financial need that the Fund could assist them with

The Officer visiting takes the opportunity to speak to the widow/widower to find out if there is any financial help that they need. It may be that they require some repairs to the house or garden. It may be that they need support buying a medically recommended aid or adaptation, but cannot afford to obtain it. The Benevolent Fund is there to help financially those in need.

How are these visits arranged?

A list of the widows and widowers living on each area is forwarded to the relevant Area Commander, requesting that they are visited. The reviews need to be completed by mid November to enable the grants to be sent out prior to Christmas.

What happens if financial assistance is needed?

Confirmation that a widow/widower has been visited is required from the officer. They should be asked to complete an income and expenditure form and send it directly to the Fund Office at the below address, along with details of the nature of their request.

Who can I contact for further details?

Fund Administrator
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