

UK Police Charities





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Care Of Police Survivors (COPS)

COPS is a UK registered charity dedicated to helping the families of police officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty, rebuild their lives. It aims to ensure that survivors have all the help they need to cope with such a tragedy, and that they remain part of the police family.

COPS enable survivors to help survivors. Only another survivor can fully understand what new survivors endure, and that shared experience is the basis for the peer support programme.

COPS aims to build a network of survivors throughout the UK. The extent of help provided will be controlled by the new survivor. Sometimes an understanding listener is needed. Sometimes more practical help is required. Whatever the need, COPS will be able to put survivors in touch with those who truly understand.

COPS is independent of the police service. It is operated entirely by survivors caring for other survivors.

COPS was founded in March 2003 by Jim McNulty and Christine Fulton. Jim was a retired police officer from Strathclyde Police. Christine is the widow of PC Lewis Fulton who was murdered on duty in Glasgow in 1994. Christine's experience of that tragedy gives her a unique understanding of the overwhelming grief and confusion that is encountered by new survivors. Christine makes contact with the survivors of every new line of duty death, explaining what COPS does and inviting survivors to make contact when they are ready for such support.

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National Police Memorial Day

The National Police Memorial Day (NPMD) is an official annual national day and is a UK registered charity. It was founded by Constable Joe Holness after a fellow Kent officer, Jon Odell, was brutally killed in December 2000.

The National Police Memorial Day aims to:

- Remember police officers who have been killed or died on duty
- Demonstrate to the relatives, friends and colleagues of fallen officers that their sacrifice is not forgotten
- Recognise annually the dedication to duty and courage displayed by police officers

A dignified and sensitive service is held in all four countries of the UK in rotation, on the nearest Sunday to the 29th September, which is St Michael's Day. St Michael is the Patron Saint of police officers.

His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, has given his support to the National Police Memorial Day (NPMD) by becoming the patron of the event. He consented to the role in time for the 2006 memorial service, which was held at Belfast's Waterfront Hall.

The NPMD aims to honour police officers throughout the UK who have been killed or died in the line of duty.

Almost 4,000 police officers have been killed since modern policing began more than 177 years ago. NPMD aims to demonstrate that the courage and ultimate sacrifice, which makes the British police service the best in the world, will never be forgotten.

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Northern Ireland Police Fund

The Northern Ireland Police Fund (“the Fund”) was set up in late 2001 as a government response to the Independent Commission on Policing for Northern Ireland, Patten Recommendation 87, as reviewed by John Steele. His report was published on 7th November 2000 and provided the initial framework in which the Fund has operated.

Its remit is to provide support to those police officers injured as a result of terrorist violence, and their families, and the widows, children and parents of officers killed in terrorist incidents.

The Fund is a company limited by guarantee and an Executive Non Departmental Public Body, with the Chief Executive as Accounting Officer for the funds it receives from central government. The Fund is currently 100% funded by government.

Directors

The work of the Fund is overseen by a Board of Directors with relevant skills and backgrounds. Initially appointed by the Secretary of State, subsequent appointments to the Board are solely a matter for the Board of Directors.

Overview of Work of the Fund

The Fund’s work focuses on direct grants to injured serving and ex-officers and the families of those officers killed in terrorist incidents. This funding is distributed under 4 main support areas:-

- **Financial support**

- Bereavement Support Fund
- Disability Support Fund
- Regular payments

- **Client support**

- Disability Adaptation Fund
- Pain Management Fund
- Prostheses & Wheelchairs Grants
- Psychological Support
- Respite breaks

- **Educational Bursaries**

- **Home Energy Performance scheme**

Organisations Supported

In addition to directly supporting clients the Northern Ireland Police Fund also provides assistance through the funding of activities undertaken by other bodies either at the Fund's request or which are of benefit to our clients. We will also seek to encourage where possible the better co-ordination of services across the various bodies and avoid the duplication of effort

Those bodies supported include the RUC Benevolent Fund, the Northern Ireland Retired Police Officers Association, The RUC GC Widows' Association, The RUC GC Parents Association, Police Rehabilitation and Retraining Trust, the Police Dependants Trust, the Northern Ireland Disabled Police Officers Association (DPOA), Forgotten Families and the Carers Association

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Police Dependants' Trust

The Police Dependants' Trust was established in 1966 following the murder of three Metropolitan Police Officers by armed criminals, and an initial gift of £100,000 from the late Sir Billy Butlin.

The Police Dependants' Trust exists to assist in cases of need: dependants of police officers or former police officers who die or have died as a result of an injury received in the execution of duty; and police officers or former police officers who are, or have been incapacitated as a result of an injury received in the execution of duty.

We also make grants to charities that have as their objective the relief of sickness, or mental and physical disabilities, of police officers, or former police officers. For example, the Trust has given grants to both the Southern and Northern Police Convalescent Homes towards the cost of the building extensions.

Will you help the Trust?

We need over £2 million a year to meet our existing commitments to beneficiaries and to take new requests for assistance on board. Where need is established, we hope never to say no – and we want to keep it that way.

Do you need help?

Applications are normally made through the local welfare department or JBB. Should you experience difficulties, please contact the Trust.

Can you help?

Please consider either:

- making a one-off donation under the Gift Aid scheme which increases the value to the Trust of your donation by the basic rate of tax or
- making a regular contribution to the work of the Trust of, say, £1 a month, payable by direct debit or through Give As You Earn scheme

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Police Rehabilitation & Retraining Trust

Following the first paramilitary ceasefire in 1994 there was recognition that more stable social and political circumstances in Northern Ireland may necessitate a reduction in the size of the police service. This led to consideration of how best to respond to the needs of officers leaving the service. Experience indicated that former police officers had difficulties in accessing careers and training advice, and a number carried psychological and physical problems into retirement.

These considerations resulted in the formation of the Police Rehabilitation and Retraining Trust (PRRT or the Trust) in 1996. Funding was procured to conduct an empirical study to determine the problems the police family felt they had in making the transition to civilian life, and the solutions they perceived as necessary. The government released the first tranche of funding to operationalise the Trust in 1999, and it was subsequently included in the Northern Ireland Office's regular spending rounds.

The purpose of the Trust is to assist retired police officers, and those planning to leave the service, to recognise their potential, identify opportunities, set and achieve their objectives, and enjoy the optimum mental and physical well being beyond policing.

Clients are enabled to achieve their objectives by accessing the following services:

- **Careers Guidance and Personal Development Advice;**
- **An Employer Liaison Service;**
- **Training and Education Courses;**
- **Physiotherapy and**
- **Psychological Therapies**

The Trust's vision is for all its eligible clients to be able to identify their aptitudes and potential, develop pathways for change and set and achieve goals to secure a better future.

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Police Rehabilitation Centre, Flint House

Founded in 1890 by Miss Catherine Gurney OBE and based in Hove, West Brighton until the Centre moved to its present location in South Oxfordshire in 1988, the Police Rehabilitation Centre, Flint House, provides high standards of individually planned intensive rehabilitation and convalescent programmes for sick and injured serving and retired police officers.

The Centre offers a holistic environment for the undertaking of intensive rehabilitation, physiotherapy, general nursing, psychological support, and drug and alcohol counselling, supported with complementary treatments including health promotion, acupuncture, aromatherapy, pilates, and comprehensive fitness and leisure facilities.

Serving contributing officers normally undertake a free of charge 12 day stay (retired officers 7 days) in order to facilitate effective and individual treatment programs. Admissions are normally administered at force level by the Occupational Health or Welfare departments in conjunction with the local Federation JBB.

In most cases attendance at Flint House is classed as special duty time thus officers are not taking annual leave or sick leave to come to the Centre.

More than 3000 officers are admitted annually.

The main income of the Centre derives from a small weekly charitable contribution made by serving officers within the 29 forces covered by the Centre, no central Government or local authority funding is received.

Acknowledged with an “Excellence” rating by the Care Quality Commission (CQC), Flint House is highly regarded by officers who have experienced the Centres environment and is consistently credited with assisting in the return of officers to full duties earlier than expected.

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Police Rehabilitation Trust

The Police Rehabilitation Trust was established in 1985 at a time when the escalating trend of injuries incurred by police officers necessitated the provision of a properly equipped and easily accessible rehabilitation centre. The special facilities required have been available at Flint House, Goring-on-Thames since 1988.

The Police Rehabilitation Centre receives no support whatsoever from public funds either for capital or revenue purposes. For the foreseeable future, at least, such a decision is highly unlikely to be reversed. Running costs are met from the voluntary contributions of serving officers in the police forces which the centre serves. This Trust has, from the beginning, concentrated its spending through the generosity of well wishers - on capital purposes, the development of the centre's special facilities and the purchase of equipment.

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Police Roll of Honour Trust

Remembering police officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

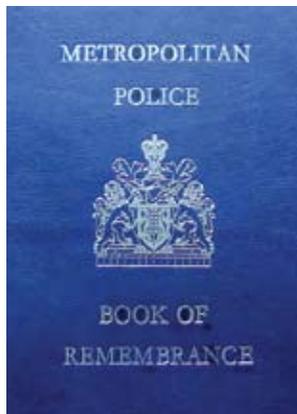
The Trust is a registered charity founded in 2000 with the following objectives:

1. To foster good citizenship for the benefit of the public at large by the construction and maintenance of a Roll of Honour in remembrance of every police officer killed in the line of duty.
2. To advance the education of the public, and in particular the police, in the history of officers killed in the line of duty and officer safety by the maintenance of a comprehensive archive of information available to the public.
3. To relieve the need, in particular the emotional suffering, of bereaved families and friends of police officers who die or have died as a result of an injury received in the line of duty, by the provision of resources and services including care and support, advice and information.

The Trust aims to name and honour every United Kingdom police officer who has died on or as a result of duty since the earliest days of professional law enforcement over three centuries ago. We provide the Roll of Honour for the benefit of all police organisations and memorial charities including the National Police Memorial Day, The Police Memorial Trust, Scottish Police Memorial and the Metropolitan Police. We are committed to providing a Book of Remembrance and the engraving of fallen officers' names on a police memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum.

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Royal Ulster Constabulary George Cross Foundation

The Foundation was created by virtue of Section 70 of the Police (NI) Act 2000 for the purpose of marking the sacrifices and honouring the achievements of the Royal Ulster Constabulary. It commenced work in December 2001.

The functions of the Foundation allow it to look back on a long, proud history of policing and to look forward by supporting current serving officers. In particular, it will remember sacrifice and service and preserve the name of the RUCGC in the policing world.

In April 2002 the Foundation was privileged and pleased to announce that HRH, The Prince of Wales, had agreed to become it's Patron. Chairman of the Foundation, Mr Jim McDonald believed that the news would help bring comfort to former RUC officers, injured and disabled members and bereaved relatives.

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The Gurney Fund For Police Orphans

The Fund exists to provide financial support for the care and education of children of deceased or incapacitated police officers from the subscribing forces in England and Wales.

Assistance and Activities

A weekly allowance, distributed quarterly, is paid to the parent/guardian with whom the child resides. Further assistance, in the form of grants, may also be available for training and other educational purposes.

Beneficiaries are invited to attend any events arranged by the Fund.

Assistance may be available from primary through to higher education and, for the latter, may include grants towards fees, equipment and books.

Income

Income is derived from regular Police subscriptions; donations from the Police and members of the public; legacies and police collecting boxes. Further revenue is generated from investments.

Fund Administration

The Fund is administered by a Committee of Managing Trustees comprising ten serving Police Officers (two from each rank) and two ex-officio Officers. The Managing Committee meets four times a year.

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The National Police Fund

The National Police Fund:

- Supports police benevolent funds
- Provides an education scheme for serving, retired and deceased officers' dependants' for Higher education only (Maximum four grants)
- Police Charities - grants to Police Orphanages and Convalescent Homes which serve the Police as a whole

The National Police Fund came into being after the General Strike in 1926. It was founded by *The Times* newspaper and sought to recognise the excellent work and service of the police by the creation of a fund, open to public subscription. The fund is incorporated by Royal Charter, which regulates its charitable activities. Applications for assistance can be made through local force welfare branches.

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The Police Memorial Trust

The Police Memorial Trust is a charitable organisation based in London. The trust's objective is to erect memorials to police officers killed in the line of duty, on the spot where they met their death to act as a permanent reminder to the public of the sacrifice they made.

The Police Memorial Trust was the brainchild of film producer, Michael Winner after the fatal shooting of WPC Yvonne Fletcher (April 17, 1984). Mr Winner wrote a letter to the editor of The Times newspaper, suggesting a memorial be erected in WPC Fletcher's honour. After receiving donations from members of the public Michael Winner created the Police Memorial Trust in 1984. The trust's first memorial was to WPC Fletcher. It was unveiled by the then Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in St James's Square London at the site of the shooting.

The Trust's third memorial, and the first to be erected outside London, was sited at the seafront at Frinton-on-Sea in Essex. This was the spot where PC Brian Bishop was fatally shot by an armed robber on August 22, 1984. PC Bishop's memorial was unveiled by then Home Secretary, Douglas Hurd, on February 19, 1986.

A total of 39 memorials in honour of police officers killed on duty have been placed throughout the United Kingdom. The National Police Memorial, sited in St. James's Park at the junction of Horse Guards Road and The Mall, was unveiled on April 26, 2005 by Queen Elizabeth II on behalf of the Police Memorial Trust.

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The Police Treatment Centres

The Police Treatment Centres, which is now the working title of The Northern Police Convalescent & Treatment Centres, provides two Treatment Centres in Harrogate, North Yorkshire and Auchterader, Perthshire. Serving and retired police officers can receive intensive physiotherapy, recuperation and treatments following an illness or injury, to aid their return to better health and wellbeing. Treatment is provided both on a residential and an out-patient basis and includes: intensive physiotherapy; personalised exercise plans and classes; workshops focussing on subjects such as dealing with stress and shift work; and complementary treatments.

The charity is supported by voluntary donations from members of police forces in the North of England, North Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland and treatment is free of charge to donating officers and to retired officers who made the weekly donation whilst serving.

The Charity is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales and also with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).

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The RUC Benevolent Fund

It is accepted, worldwide, that the Royal Ulster Constabulary George Cross, (RUCGC) was the main stabilising force that provided the conditions for the 'Belfast Peace Agreement'. Sadly over the years in providing that crucial stability, many police families lost their loved ones and members of the RUCGC suffered serious injury. Indeed, current members of the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) continue to endure serious injury and threat.

The RUC Benevolent Fund supports ex members of the RUCGC, police widows, injured and disabled officers, as well as members of the PSNI who find themselves in financial hardship or difficulty. In all instances a case of need must be identified.

The Royal Ulster Constabulary Benevolent Fund is a charity that aims to address the most deserving cases. Please consider the work we do as outlined in the recent news section and upcoming events. All the requests that come before the Management Committee are confidential and each case is very carefully considered on its merits.

The work of the Fund depends on voluntary donations. All contributions, great or small, are most appreciated. If you or your team wish to support the Fund, contact details as follows:

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The St George's Police Trust

The St George's Police Trust provides financial assistance to needy children, one of whose parents is, or was, a serving police officer (in one of the 24 constituent police forces) and are now deceased or wholly incapacitated from earning a living.

Grants are also made to 'children' undertaking University or other Further or Higher Education.

The charity also makes grants to individuals, no matter what age, who have 'special needs', one of whose parents is, or was, a serving police officer (in one of the 24 constituent police forces) and who is now deceased or wholly incapacitated from earning a living.

Grants are made for support, maintenance, education and advancement in life, and are paid quarterly. All grants reflect the income level of the household to ensure funds are properly distributed for the relief of hardship or need.

The charity is supported by voluntary donations from members of police forces in the North of England, North Wales and Scotland and the charity's benefits are free of charge in respect of the 'children' of donating officers and to retired officers who made the weekly donation whilst serving.

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