

Like any other business, charities will encounter commercial and other problems and will need guidance and advice in dealing with them. Rawlinsons is pleased to offer the solution and welcomes the opportunity to discuss your particular requirements and needs.

For many years charities have mainly relied upon the good nature of their trustees and other volunteers to ensure the fulfilment of their objects. Public accountability means that nowadays the art of good stewardship takes on a greater significance. Charities must become more professional and business-like in response to the increasing demands made upon them by their beneficiaries and the competition for charitable donations. Accounting and fiscal regulations take up time and resources which trustees would prefer to see devoted to fulfilling the charities' objects. Many perceive the wisdom in consulting a team of enthusiastic advisers familiar with the unique requirements of the voluntary sector.

Our aim is to provide high quality advice to charities and other not for profit organisations. Clients benefit from the timely cost effective services delivered by a team who take a keen interest in the voluntary sector.

### Our services include:

- Preparation of management and statutory accounts
- Advice on accounts presentation, best practice and SORP
- Internal control and stewardship reviews
- VAT reviews and planning
- Gift aid claims and advice on tax effective giving
- Provision of independent audit, review or examination
- Liaison with the Charity Commission
- Charity trading and trading subsidiaries
- Charity registration and secretarial responsibilities
- Confidential payroll preparation and advice
- Assistance with Lotteries Board and other grant applications

