## **About the Mencap Trust Company**



We are called the **Mencap Trust Company**.



This information tells you a bit more about us and how we can help you.

#### Who we are



We help your family leave you money or a home so you can have it when they die.



It is usually your parents or grandparents who leave you money or a home.



Or it could be someone close to you and your family.



They may want to leave you some money or a home so you are looked after when they are not around any more.

### How we can help



We look after the money or home for you.



We keep them in something called a Trust.



This means they are safe and we can look after them in the best way.

#### How does it all work?



Your parents or people in your family will tell us what they want to leave you.



This could be money or a home.



#### If your family leave you some money

We will ask them for their ideas about what to spend the money on that will be right for you.



But you can have a say too.

You can ask us to spend the money on things you want.



#### This could be anything like

- a holiday
- things to do in your local area
- new clothes
- TV, iPad or music player
- rent to pay for your hôme
- things to put in your room



We will look at what you ask us for and let you know if it is ok.



We will try to make the money last for all of your life if we can so you can have a bit at a time.



When the time is right we will get in touch with you.



Most of the time we will come to meet you.



Other people you know can be there too if you want.



We will talk to you about what you want and your ideas for how to spend the money.

We will tell you how to ask us for the money.



We will write something to show what we talked about.



You need to say if you are happy with what we write.



You and the people with you have to sign something if you are happy with what we write.



Then you can get in touch with us to ask us for some money when you need it.



If we think there is a problem with what you ask for we will let you know.



We will keep in touch with you after this.





And we will keep in touch by phone and letter.



If we don't hear from you for a long time we will get in touch with you to see if everything is ok.



If you get money from us you can still get your benefits money as well.



Benefits money is some money you may get to help you pay for things you need.

#### If your family leave you a home



We give the home to another group we work with to look after.

They are called **Golden Lane Housing**. Or **GLH** for short.



They look after the home for you and make sure it is ok for you to live in.



We will talk to you about what will happen.

# How we make sure we do the right things



We keep the information about your money or home safe.



We have to follow the law and some rules to make sure we do things in the right way.

#### How to find out more



You can ask us questions when you want.

You can get in touch with us



By phone on

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By letter to



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