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Welcome to haysmacintyre's regular 'e-news alert' for charities and not for profit organisations.

DISCLOSURE AND BARRING SERVICE GUIDANCE FOR DBS CHECKS

The Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) has issued new guidance around eligibility for DBS checks for people in the charity sector and overseas aid organisations.

The guidance includes information on:

- Different DBS checks and eligibility for various roles
- Scenario examples to provide a better understanding of DBS check eligibility
- Criminal record checks overseas, certificates of good character and International Child Protection Certificates
- Regulated activity and the legal duty to make a barring referral

There is separate guidance for those who [work with children](#) and those who [work with adults](#).



HM REVENUE & CUSTOMS CLARIFICATION ON THIRD-PARTY FUNDRAISING PLATFORMS AND GIFT AID

Charity Tax Group has clarified some important issues when charities claim Gift Aid via third-party fundraising platforms. This includes the extent to which HMRC approves the process by which these platforms make Gift Aid claims and the audit trail required when making a Gift Aid claim from Facebook donations. [Read more here.](#)

CRYPTOCURRENCIES FOR CHARITIES

Cryptocurrencies, although seemingly all around us, are relatively new, and charities are engaging with such crypto assets presenting an array of risks and opportunities for trustees to consider. Increasingly we are seeing cryptocurrencies or assets used as donations to charities, and also being left in legacy estates, raising many questions to consider. The Charity Commission has recently issued a [blog on cryptocurrencies](#), offering some thoughts around what they are and whether charities should use them.



RESEARCH INTO PUBLIC TRUST IN CHARITIES AND TRUSTEES' EXPERIENCE OF THEIR ROLE

The Annual Charity Commission research on public trust in charities and what Trustees think about their duties and public expectations has been published. [The report](#) found that public trust in charities has remained steady, with charities making the impact they promise to make with reputation being a key driver. There are some useful tips on how to inspire trust and communicate with the public, which is key given the evolving cost of living crisis to encourage the public to continue donating. Consultation will run for 12 weeks, ending 1 September 2022.

CHARITY COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS PUBLISHED

It wouldn't be an update from an accountancy firm, without mentioning that the Charity Commission have released their latest set of accounts. You can find the latest set of accounts on the Charity Commission website [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Quarterly Charities Update](#)
14 September 2022
15:30 - 17:30
Online

[Trustee Training- What Every Trustee Should Know](#)
13 October 2022
09:30 - 13:00

[Quarterly Charities Update](#)
6 December 2022
15:30 - 17:30
Online

For further details on our not for profit upcoming events and to register, visit www.haysmacintyre.com/events.

We welcome your feedback on this update and would be pleased to hear about any areas you would like to see covered in future editions. Please email Siobhan.Holmes, Director and Head of Grant-Making, with any comments.

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Shortlisted 2019 Tax Team of the Year



Highly Commended Partner of the Year



Winner: Audit Team of the Year



Winner of the Bronze Award for 2018 and 2017



Top adviser to the top 5,000 charities, Charity Financials' league table 2021



Top ten by audit fees in the 2020 Charity Finance Audit Survey