

### What is a legacy?

Your will is one of the most important documents in a lifetime. It's a chance for you to help and provide for your loved ones and to keep making a difference after you are gone. As part of a will, a legacy is your way of making a meaningful and lasting contribution.

### Leaving a legacy

We understand that friends and family come first, but once your loved ones have been taken care of please consider leaving something – it doesn't matter how large or small – to support the work of the Moretonhampstead Development Trust.

# How will my legacy benefit the MDT?

If you care about a strong and sustainable future for Moretonhampstead your legacy to the Trust really will help us continue to make a difference.

A legacy will help us meet the costs of running our facilities, including looking after Green Hill, and future projects to benefit the community under these – our main aims:

- Environmental sustainability
- Supporting local economy & facilities
- Arts & crafts
- Health and wellbeing
- Affordable housing

As well as general assistance to the Trust you can indicate any of the above specific areas that you would like to support. You can be assured of our deep appreciation and be confident that your gift will be put to excellent use.

# How do I leave a gift in my will?

Writing a will can seem daunting and we advise that you speak with a solicitor about it. If you already have a will you can consult your solicitor about a written instruction called a codicil.

#### Do I have enough assets?

Most people are surprised by how much their assets add up to after taking care of their loved ones. You can then choose to leave a residuary legacy (a portion of what is left after all your other commitments have been met) or a pecuniary legacy (a gift of a specific amount.)

## What about inheritance tax?

Leaving a gift to a charity, such as Moretonhampstead Development Trust, can lower the inheritance tax payable on your estate. Your solicitor will be able to provide more details about this.

#### What do I do next?

You can phone us for an informal chat or ask for our Legacy Pack which gives you more details on how to go about leaving a legacy.

You will then need to decide what kind of legacy you would like to leave. You can include any wishes as to how you would like us to use your gift. Once you are clear you will need to contact your solicitor to set up your new instruction.

#### About Us...

Moretonhampstead Development Trust was set up in 1995 by the Parish Council and in partnership with Teignbridge District and Devon County Council. We are a charity run by enthusiastic and active voluntary trustees.

#### ...And what we do

- Green Hill We have converted the old primary school to an Arts and Heritage Centre which provides offices for local businesses, studios for artists, and a home for Moretonhampstead Youth Club.
- Arts and Crafts at Green Hill Our highly successful gallery and retail outlet for local artists and craftspeople.
- Moretonhampstead Hospital We have taken responsibility for part of the building and are working to ensure it continues to supply health services for the community.
- Health and wellbeing We set up North East Dartmoor Care (NEDCare), now independent and operating from the Hospital, to provide home help for elderly or disabled people. We have also set up Wellmoor to promote local wellbeing projects such as the community allotment.
- Climate and Ecology In 2019, the Trust declared a Climate Emergency and has started initiatives on home energy consumption and land use for ecological benefit.
- Community fundraising We obtained a £500,000 Sport England grant for a new Sports Centre.
- **Town enhancement** The Sparrowhawk, the seating in the Square, the ponies, and the railings that serve as flower baskets all part of a Trust enhancement project.
- Visitor Information Centre Set up by the Trust in 1995 and still going strong as an independent organisation 25 years later!