

SPECIALIST SUPPORT

# Charities, Social Enterprise and Civil Society expertise

## WHO WE HELP TO HELP OTHERS

Charities - Subject to substantial legal and regulatory regimes with significant public accounting and reporting obligations.

Faith sector organisations - Places of worship and faith based charities have distinctive characteristics with which we are conversant.

Social enterprises, civil society and 'not-for-profits' - Community interest companies, social enterprises and other civil society and 'not-for-profit' organisations.



## OUR SERVICE

Burton Sweet has a particularly strong and longstanding commitment to serving the charity, social enterprise and the civil society / not-for-profit sectors, helping both the organisations themselves and the professional advisers who assist them.

### Activities of our clients in the sector include:

- Family support
- Community transport, community resources and facilities
- Healthcare and medical research
- Rehabilitation and preventative work with those at risk of self-harm and substance abuse
- Environmental care and protection, recycling and sustainability
- Combating poverty and social disadvantage
- Social housing provision and reducing homelessness

We are proud to serve a range of clients who together represent the diversity and vibrancy of the charities, social enterprise and civil society sectors, and to support their work for particular communities and wider society. Those clients include educational charities, churches and other places of worship, faith-based organisations, professional institutions, sports and social clubs, village halls and community centres.



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### Accounting and related services

As well as preparing accounts that meet required reporting standards and carrying out audits and independent examinations, our specially trained accountants ensure that trustees are kept up to date about the financial and administrative benefits that their legal entity is entitled to.

Whether a major organisation with substantial assets or a small volunteer-managed community group, our team makes sure you are equipped with the knowledge and confidence you need to face both challenges and opportunities.

### Legal advice and support

Charities and voluntary organisations are subject to considerable regulation and particular legislation. We help you deal with the many opportunities and challenges those present, including the important and sometimes difficult practical issues, the public accountability

and regulatory scrutiny dimensions. We guide you through the ever-changing requirements of charity and company law, so you can focus on delivering real benefits to those you exist to serve.

### Specialist support

#### Accounting and related services

- Accountancy services
- Audit service
- Independent examination
- Financial and strategic planning
- Information technology
- Outsourcing of finance department
- Tax and VAT assistance

#### Legal advice and support

- Charity law and regulation
- Governance and membership issues
- Constitutions health checks and changes
- Public benefit reviews

- Establishing new organisations and registering new charities
- Conversions to alternative legal forms
- Charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs)
- Community amateur sports clubs
- Community interest companies
- Advice on fundraising and trading
- Trading subsidiaries
- Trustee training and board development and assessment

## The experts



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## ABOUT US

Recognised as among the very strongest independent providers of business and tax advice in and around the south west's largest city. We have grown to a team of experienced accountants, advisors,

consultants and specialists by consistently and continually providing an exemplary service based around our core principles of expertise, commitment and value.

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