



### **Referee's Association Benevolent Fund**

In an organisation the size of the Referees' Association, regrettably some members fall on hard times due to sickness and for various other reasons beyond their control.

The Association operates a charitable Trust called 'THE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION BENEVOLENT FUND' which is administered by a Board of Trustees who are appointed by, but who are independent of, the Board of the Referees' Association.

The fund is operated in accordance with the trust deed and the rules and regulations of the Charities Commission.

The Trustees apply the income of the charity to provide partial relief in times of hardship to full members of the Referees 'Association and their dependents.

The fund relies upon donations from Members, LRAs, CRAs, FAs, Clubs, leagues and competitions; any donation is most welcome to assist our colleagues.

All applications for grants from the fund MUST be on the appropriate form which is available from Head Office or the website or from Harrow RA Secretary: [davidroberts.tv@gmail.com](mailto:davidroberts.tv@gmail.com), who will give assistance to the claimant for completion if required.

It is essential that the form is accurately and comprehensively completed. This may entail some personal and private information being provided by the claimant but all information is treated in the strictest confidence and is essential to enable the Trustees to properly consider the application and to enable them to award a suitable grant.

When the form has been completed it should be sent to the Clerk to the Trustees either directly or via Head Office and the Clerk will refer the application to the Trustees for consideration.

The Trustees can only make a grant to an individual and are unable to make a donation to a Testimonial/Memorial or similar Fund. It is hoped that misfortune will never befall members necessitating a claim for help but the fund is there for the assistance of full members should it be needed,