

# Proposed Options for Charitable Donation from the Proceeds of the 2016 White Horse Half Marathon

- 1) Flexicare | Oxford & Abingdon
- 2) Grove Scout Group
- 3) Independent Advice Centre | Wantage
- 4) The Mo Farah Foundation
- 5) Wantage Group Riding for the Disabled Association
- 6) No Charitable Donation

## 1) Flexicare | Oxford & Abingdon

Flexicare provides an in-home babysitting service for families with severely disabled children and their siblings. The area serviced by the organisation covers a radius of ten miles from Oxford city centre as well as Wantage and Grove. There are three part-time paid coordinators and up to 20 or so volunteers supporting between 35-45 registered families at any given time. Although the volunteers won't cover for reason of work, they will sit for anything else, any time, day or night. The coordinators work from home and take it in turns to do bookings and coordinate sittings. They also undertake sittings. In this way costs are kept to a minimum.

The charity will be celebrating its 30th birthday in Autumn 2015.

More can be learned about Flexicare and the services the organisation (- registered charity no.: 291844) provides at <http://www.flexicare.org>.



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## 2) Grove Scout Group

Every year the UK Scout Association helps 400,000 young people in the UK enjoy new adventures; to experience the outdoors, interact with others, gain confidence and have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Grove Scout Group provides these opportunities for nearly 200 young people every week, but their ageing hut is rapidly coming to the end of its life. It was given a 5-10 year life expectancy about 7 years ago, so they are now in desperate need of a replacement. Raising funds to replace the hut and provide Scouting opportunities to the young people of Grove is a major undertaking, and the support of the Half Marathon would be hugely beneficial in this aim.

For at least the past 7 seven years Grove Scout Group has supported the White Horse Half Marathon by providing a small army of willing helpers to man two of the drinks stations out on the course. Their assistance is greatly appreciated each year, this could provide an opportunity to thank the organisation in a way that can make a difference.

More information can be found about the Grove Scout Group (- registered charity no.: 277162) at <http://grovescouts.co.uk> and about the National Scout Association at <http://scouts.org.uk>.



## 3) Independent Advice Centre | Wantage

The centre was founded in 1971, with a small group of volunteers providing information services and advice from a small office behind Woolworths in the market place. Over the years the organisation has developed into the Advice Centre as it is today, with over 30 volunteer advisors, nearly 40 volunteer drivers and 10 volunteer good neighbours.

The volunteers have a wealth of experience across a broad range of topics. In addition, they are able to provide clients with free legal and business advice, time and expertise generously donated by local professionals.

More information about this registered charity (no.: 270992) can be found at <http://www.wantageadvice.org.uk>.



## 4) The Mo Farah Foundation

This organisation setup by Mo Farah and his wife Tania, the Mo Farah Foundation (- registered charity no.: 1143619) works to help save lives and support people affected by the worst drought to hit the Horn of Africa region in over 60 years.

Unable to survive, millions of men, women and children are embarking upon journeys of hundreds of miles across desert by foot in search of refugee camps. Tragically many don't survive these journeys, and hundreds of thousands of more children are predicted to perish in the months ahead.

Mo and Tania believe this is unacceptable; through the Foundation, they want to reach all his supporters and work with them to address the most urgent needs.

The Foundation works with partners and local communities to setup programmes focussing on the following areas: Emergency Response, Water and Sanitation



Programmes, Health and Medical Programmes, Livelihood Programmes, and Education.

You can find out more about the work of this organisation at <http://www.mofarahfoundation.org.uk>.

#### **5) Wantage Group Riding for the Disabled Association**

The Wantage Group Riding for the Disabled promotes the objectives of the Riding for the Disabled Association (incorporating carriage driving an associated charity registered under the charity number: 244108) by providing disabled people with the opportunity to ride and/or to carriage drive to benefit their health and well-being in the Wantage area.

To find out up-to-date information about the Grove Day Centre for the Elderly go to the following webpage <http://apps.charitycommission.gov.uk/showcharity/registerofcharities/RegisterHomePage.aspx> and type the registered charity no.: 1074062 into the Charity Search field on that page.



#### **6) No Charitable Donation**

This is the option if you would prefer that the White Horse Half Marathon should not contribute some of its profit from holding the event to charity.