



Charity Commission Number 1146152

History

The trust was originally formed in 1880 by the gift of a property to trustees as an art school. The school was established by local philanthropists James and John Knight in 1980 for the “instruction of children and adults in drawing, painting, modelling, designing for architecture, manufacture and decoration and for no other purpose”.

With the later sale of property (The Farnham School of Science and Art) in 1986/87, the proceeds were invested with the income being applied in promoting the education in art and allied subjects of persons residing or studying in Farnham.

The Charity

The name of the charity is the Farnham School of Science and Art and it is also known as the Farnham South Street Trust.

Farnham Town Council is the trustee of the charity and all Councillors act as trustees to the charity.

The governing document is The Charity Commission Scheme dated 10th march 1980 which was amended by The Charity Commission Scheme dated 19th June 1998.

Charity Objective and Activities

The objective of the charity is to apply the income of the charity in promoting in such ways as it thinks fit, the education in art and allied subjects of persons residing or studying in Farnham in the County of Surrey. In furtherance of this objective, the charity makes grants to schools and other organisations in the Farnham area to enable those organisations to organise educational workshops and projects covering art and associated subjects for the benefit of children and adults living or studying in the local area.

Grants

The Trustee (Council) reviews the investment of the charity’s assets on a regular basis and the annual income is used to provide annual grants for art-based activities.

Applications should be considered with the criteria guidelines for the Farnham (South Street) Trust:

1. Only projects assisted should involve creative input from, and be of educational value to, the students concerned.
2. The eligibility of instructions where there are young people other than those from the Farnham area will depend on the proportion of Farnham residents who would benefit from a grant if it were awarded.
3. In interpreting the phrase, “art and allied subjects”, the Trustees should read the phrase in the context of the description of subjects used by the 1880 Deed.
4. Projects outside the Farnham area may be considered depending on how many beneficiaries are from the Farnham area.
5. Performing arts such as drama, music and dance are not eligible for a grant. If there is a creative connection to a performing arts project, then funding may be considered.