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# THE BEACON TRUST

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Dear Friends,

The tragic death of our Chairman and Founder, Trevor McGrath in July of this year was a huge loss to the charity. Trevor had led the Beacon Trust for 25 years since it was founded in 1994 and guided it through the many ups and downs of its existence. He was a unique character with a strong Christian faith and great sense of fun and will be sadly missed.

The Trustees still believe that there is a need for this charity to serve the people of Helensburgh and its surrounding area by recycling unwanted household goods and supplying them as cheaply as possible to those who find it difficult to make ends meet. We believe Trevor would have wanted us to continue in this venture and we have resolved to carry on in the way that we always have.

We believe that we make a significant contribution to the environment by recycling tons of unwanted goods every year that otherwise might find their way to landfill.

Our van is still making deliveries and pick-ups around the town and it has again passed its MOT and is fully taxed and "street legal".

Jean, Andrea, Ian, Clive, Paul and Ronald are still maintaining our primary objective to help those in need by following the motto that Trevor adopted: "we don't work miracles but, we work for someone who does!"

This is a very small team that manages to achieve loads of work. The mainstays are Jean and Andrea, they deal with the public, the Social Departments and the various welfare organisations. They arrange the deliveries, collections and run the shop.

Of course, we could not exist without the support of the many benefactors who make donations and send us household items. We are also very grateful to St. Michael's and All Angels as well as the Parish Church who support us generously.

Paul Allen

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