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# Leave a Legacy

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# Leaving a Will

**Having an up to date will can be very important for a number of reasons.**

**Such as...**

- Having full control over your estate and allows you to specify who inherits your money, property and posssesions. This means your assets go to the people and causes that you care about.
- Leaving financial provision for family and friends.
- Providing for and specifying how you wish to care for a family member who may have mental health problems.
- Supporting charities through leaving a legacy to a charity that you care about.
- Guardianship for minor children.
- Caring for pets.
- Minimising inheritance tax.
- Ensuring all digital assets are handled.
- Simplfying the probate process.

## Here is a short on how you can make a will!

### 1 Work out the value of your estate

This includes making a list of what you have to pass on, and anything you owe. Your estate's value would be the difference.

### 2 Decide who you'd like to benefit (including any chartities)

You can decide exactly what you'd like to leave them whether its a percentage, amount or specific possession.

### 3 Choose your executors

You are able to choose up to 4 people who will make sure that your wishes are carried out.

### 4 Make your will

Mind run a free Wills Service at mind.org.uk/freewills in October or find a solicitor at lawsociety.org.uk

### 5 Keep your will safe

Keep the original in a safe location and ensure someone you trust knows where it is, and keep a copy safe.

### 6 Keep your will up to date

Make sure to review your will every few years to keep it up to date, or even after major life events such as marriage.

### 7 Tell us your intentions

If you plan to leave a gift in your will, please let us know. It'll help us plan for the future, and we can thank you!

Leaving a gift in your will can leave a lasting legacy on supporting the mental health of our community.



# How to make your Will for Free

The month of October is Free Wills Month, and as part of this National Mind can help you write or update your will at no cost to yourself.

To access that service, all you need to do is follow the link below or scan the QR code on the left.

**https://freewillsmonth.org.uk/**

If you use this service there is no expectation that you'll leave a gift to us at Burton & District Mind however, any support is always truly appreciated.




## Info taken from the freewillsmonth.org.uk

### Who is the campaign open to?

Free Wills Month is intended for individuals or couples aged 55 and over. In the case of couples making 'mirror' wills, it is sufficient that one has reached the age of 55.

### How does it work?

Members of the public aged 55 and over contact one of the firms of solicitors taking part in a Free Wills Month campaign during the designated month to request an appointment.

The solicitor will help to draw up a will that accurately reflects the wishes of the individual or couple. Those taking up the offer are under no obligation to leave a gift to one of the Free Wills Month charities, however, we earnestly hope that many will see this as a chance to help their favourite cause.

Appointments are limited and are allocated on a first come first served basis. Once all available appointments are booked the campaign will close, this may be before the end of the campaigning month.

# How to leave a gift in your Will

In aid of mind Burton & District

Leaving a gift in your will, no matter the size can make a lasting impact to someone that may be experiencing a mental health problem. Whether it's funding a session of Counselling, providing an Activity Project, or even going towards our volunteer programme. Every bit goes towards supporting our community, and with your help we can reach more and more people.







When updating or writing your will, it is always best to seek professional advice from a solicitor, as this will make sure your wishes are carried out how you want them to be.

If you've already written your will but have decided that you'd now like to leave a gift to support the work that we do at Burton & District Mind, that is still possible and you'd need to just update your will. To do this, we'd recommend reaching out to a solicitor of your choosing.

**To leave a legacy gift to us, please give the following information to your solicitor...**

**Charity Name:** Burton & District Mind

**Registered Charity Number:** #1140492

**Address:** Birkett House, 67 Branston Road, Burton on Trent, DE14 3BY

For information, registration or referrals:

**01283 566 696**

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