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Charities newsletter

Introduction

Welcome to the November edition of Essential Trustee, containing essential legal news and updates for charity trustees and senior management.

On Sunday 12 November, Channel 5 aired a documentary exploring the controversy around The Captain Tom Foundation, which is currently the subject of a Charity Commission Statutory Inquiry. In the documentary, entitled “Captain Tom: Where Did the Money Go?”, I provided commentary from a charity law perspective. You can re-watch the documentary on My5 [here](#) and I have also written an article expanding on some of the points covered [here](#).

Other updates in this edition include [Amy Bradburne](#) discussing why it's important for grant-making charities to stay vigilant against fraud and [Jennifer Marley](#) exploring philanthropy in more detail as it gains popularity among individuals, those in the third sector, those in government and businesses. Finally, [Louisa Saunders](#) and [Lily Proudfoot](#) share key considerations for new charities needing premises.

On 28 November [Sarah Bull](#) and [Charlotte Sloan](#) from our Employment Team are hosting an interesting webinar on the ongoing debate of office vs home working, that you can sign up to [here](#). You can also catch up on my recent webinar, investing charity money: updated CC14 guidance, [here](#).

Remember, you can keep up to date with the latest news and updates from the Charities Team by following our dedicated [LinkedIn page](#).

If you have any queries or would like any advice on the topics raised, please do get in touch.



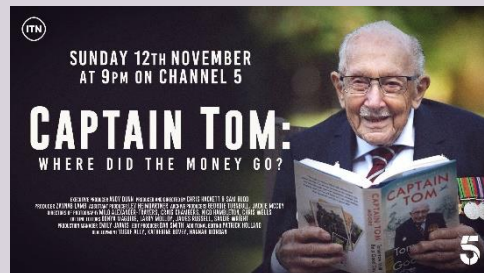
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Featured articles

Captain Tom: where did the money go?

[Liz Brownsell](#) shares further insight following her appearance on the Channel 5 documentary. If you missed it, you can watch it on My5 [here](#).

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Grant-making charities and fraud: staying alert

[Amy Bradburne](#) discusses the importance of robust fraud protection after the Football Foundation was defrauded of £200,000 by an individual who posed as nine football clubs asking for funding.

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Philanthropy – is everyone on board?

[Jennifer Marley](#) provides answers to the questions: what is philanthropy, why is it important and is everyone on board?

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Key considerations for new charities needing premises

[Louisa Saunders](#) and [Lily Proudfoot](#) examine why it is important to ensure you have a robust property strategy for your charity.

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Productivity v flexibility: the office debate

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Investing charity money: updated CC14 guidance

[Liz Brownsell](#) recently hosted a webinar sharing the updated CC14 guidance and what it could mean for your charity.

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