



Godolphin Edwards

Individuals

The Godolphin Edwards Fund started as the Godolphin Edwards Relief in Need Charity, (registered number 244238), many years ago. The fund was to 'relieve either generally or individually persons resident in the parishes of Acton Burnell, Frodesley, Pitchford and Langley & Ruckley who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress by making grants of money or providing or paying for items, services or facilities calculated to reduce the need, hardship or distress of such persons'.

Due to changes in Charity Commission guidance, and the obligations that are now placed on trustees, the trustees of the fund wanted to take a step back. After seeking advice from a solicitor they were given the option of transferring the fund to the Community Foundation. As an officially recognised, and quality accredited, community foundation, (please click [here](#) for a list), we were able to take over the management of the fund, and ensure that it continues to benefit people long into the future. This is partly due to the work we undertake on the '[Revitalising Trusts](#)' initiative, in partnership with the Charity Commission. In order to be part of this initiative community foundations must be members of UKCF, and have achieved a pass in UKCF's quality accreditation scheme. This helps to ensure that the services provided are of a high standard, and gives donors and partners an assurance that their funds will be managed properly. The management of Godolphin Edwards Fund transferred to the Community Foundation for Shropshire in 2023.

The Godolphin Edwards Fund is an endowment fund, which means the money in the fund is invested, and the returns are then used to award grants to the community. Grants are available to organisations who are working to provide services or facilities to residents of Acton Burnell, Frodesley, Pitchford, Langley & Ruckley.

Who We Are Able to Support

Individuals in need based in the parishes of:

- Acton Burnell
- Frodesley
- Pitchford
- Langley & Ruckley

Grants Available

You can apply for a grant of up to the value of £500

Whilst applications to the fund can be made at any time, there will be two distinct rounds of funding each year. The first will open in April, with decisions made in May and awards made in June. The second round will open in October, with decisions made in November and awards made in December.

Eligible Costs

- Educational need would apply if you were studying at college or university in the area, and there were associated costs which meant your ability to continue studying was threatened.
- You can apply for a grant under one of four strands – educational need, financial need, social need or medical need
- Financial need might be because you do not have enough money coming in to cover the cost of rising bills, or you might have unexpected or unbudgeted costs to cover
- Social need relates to social aspects of a person's life that are needed for wellbeing. so, for example, you may not have a car, and so you need the money to help you to attend a social club or group.
- Medical or health needs could relate to the need to go to the hospital or doctor's more, or to visit someone in hospital.