

WHAT IS THE MICKLEGATE STRAYS TRUST ?

If you are a Freeman of the City of York and living in the area of the Micklegate Stray (the area west of the River Ouse but within the boundary of the City of York as shown on the map below – area shaded yellow), you will be aware that in 1907 Micklegate Stray passed into the hands of the City of York Council by means of the Micklegate Stray Act.

Part of this Act included the establishing of a Trust to benefit the Freeman and their dependants and a special scheme was set up by the Charities Commission, which has over the years helped benefit Freeman and their families with a financial contribution or assistance with enhanced development opportunities.

The purpose of this is to make Freeman aware of the provisions of the Trust and ask whether there is any assistance that can be given to them or their families, subject to completion of an application and agreement of the Trustees. Additionally, should you know of Freeman who are not members of the Gild of Freeman but who do reside in the area of the Micklegate Stray, it would be appreciated if you could make them aware of the provisions of the Trust.

Should any Freeman living in the qualifying area wish to make an application for assistance from the Trust, they should write in the first instance to the Secretary as follows: Steve Hornby, 12 Marlborough Close, York YO30 5WA or email hornby.steven@yahoo.co.uk

