

NEW APPLICATION

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NEW APPLICATION FOR RATE RELIEF UNDER SECTIONS 43 AND 47 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE ACT 1988 FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2009/10

Applicant's Name: Newlife Trading Ltd **Account Ref:** 101125790

Property Address: Unit 8 The Cedars Business Centre, Avon Road, Cannock, Staffs, WS11 1QJ

Registered Charity: Yes - 1001817

Occupation Date: 23 April 2009 **NEW APPLICATION**

Relief Claimed: Mandatory and Discretionary **Period:** 23/4/09 – 3/12/09

Use of Property: Campaigns, research and nurse / equipment services

Main Objectives: Education and social welfare for the care of disabled and terminally ill children.
Research into and relief of defects which affect parents and children prior to conception, during pregnancy and subsequent to birth.

Financial Situation: As at 31 March 2008	£	Surplus (Deficit) 0.00*
		Reserves 1,025,134.00
		*Profit distributed by gift aid payment

Previous Relief Granted:

Mandatory	-	80%
Discretionary	-	%

Rates Payable:

Details of Charge	2009/10 £
Full Charge	7,773.29
Less Mandatory Relief (80%)	6,218.63
Discretionary Consideration	<u>1,554.66</u>
If 7% Relief Granted:	544.13-
<i>Cost to NNDR Pool (25%)</i>	136.03
<i>General Fund (75%)</i>	408.10
Rates Payable:	<u>1,010.53</u>

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Supporting Information:

Newlife Trading Ltd is a company limited by guarantee; it is a trading company which is part of the charitable organisation 'Birth Defects Foundation'.

The main objectives of the organisation are to fund medical research in order to understanding, prevent, alleviate and treat childhood disabilities and terminal illness in the UK; provide support to the families/carers of children affected and also provide equipment to help individual children.

The premises at Unit 8 The Cedars Business Centre were occupied for the period 23 April 2009 to 3 December 2009 and were used to provide a nurse and equipment service, medical research, campaigns and to raise awareness for physically and mentally impaired infants and children.

This is a national organisation and operates throughout England and Wales. Profits from the trading company are distributed via a gift aid payment.

Comments

Members should be mindful that Birth Defects Foundation occupy other premises within the district. Applications for top-up discretionary rate relief, in respect of their other premises, have been continually refused by this Committee since 2002 on the grounds that it was inappropriate for one charity to receive such a disproportionate percentage of the overall budget.