

# The Charities Bill – Proposed Changes for Charities

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## Major changes proposed to charity law in Northern Ireland – The Charities Bill 2006

Changes to the law on fundraising  
Creation of New charitable purposes  
New public benefit test  
Charity Commission for Northern Ireland  
Register of charities  
Creation of reporting obligations - accounts, annual reports and annual returns  
Charity Tribunal  
Charitable incorporated organisations  
'Section 167 Institutions' – non N.I charities  
Simplified Cy-près  
Charity trustees under more scrutiny  
Changes for Charitable Companies  
Designated Religious Charities

### What are the implications for you or your organisation?

Our team in the Charities Unit would be pleased to outline the major provisions in the Bill and to discuss its implications further. If you would like further information, please get in touch with:

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