



House-to-house charitable collections, now more than ever, are an important source of income for local and national charities.

Charities or commercial companies collecting on behalf of charities are required to obtain a licence from us before they can run a house-to-house collection. This helps to ensure that collections are not carried out under false pretences or under fraudulent circumstances.

Authorised charities this month

During June the following charities have obtained a licence and are authorised to collect house-to-house collections in the local area:

- Children's Hope Foundation - 10th to 15th June 2019
- Transformation for Veterans - 17th to 23rd June 2019
- Coping with Cancer North East - 24th to 30th June 2019

As well as the authorised charities listed above, a number of national charities are also legally allowed to run a charity collection. The following national charities have informed us that they will be carrying out a collection in Richmondshire:

- Clothes Aid - 1st January to 31st December 2019
- The Children's Air Ambulance - 1st January to 31st December 2019
- Poppy appeal - 26th October to 13th November 2019

Rogue collectors

Unfortunately, not all charity collections are legitimate. Rogue collectors ask for donations to be left for collection using a bag or leaflet that looks similar to legitimate charities. If you receive a request like this always check for a charity registration number rather than a company registration number on their paperwork or bag.

If you are still unsure of the authenticity of a charity collection, we recommend that you drop off your goods in person at one of your local charity shops or organisations.

<https://www.richmondshire.gov.uk/licensing/charitable-collections/registered-charity-collectors/>