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The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland has today (29 May 2019) announced the opening of a statutory inquiry into the registered charities, Karmel City Church (NIC102774), Karmel Trust (NIC100584) and Make a Difference Worldwide (NIC100378).

The inquiry relates to concerns regarding the governance and administration of the charity, with a focus on the proper application of charity property.

As a temporary and protective measure, the Commission has appointed PriceWaterhouseCoopers LLP as interim manager to each of the charities. This action has been taken on consideration of the risks to charity property.

As a proportionate regulator, and so as to ensure that the investigation is fair, the Commission will not be making any further comment while the investigation is ongoing.

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Notes for editors

The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland is the independent regulator of charities in Northern Ireland.

The Commission has a statutory function, as detailed within section 8(2)3 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 to identify and investigate apparent misconduct or mismanagement in the administration of charities, and to take remedial or protective action.

Section 22 of the Charities Act 2008 gives the Commission the power to institute inquiries, with the opening of an inquiry giving the commission access to a range of protective and remedial powers.

In accordance with normal procedures, a report on the results of the inquiry will be published on the Commission's website once the inquiry is completed.



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