Hertfordshire Educational Foundation

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Chairman Peter Jackson Hon Secretary Simon Newland

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Dear Colleague

The Donald Mackean Trust

I should be grateful if you would draw the attention of your staff and students to the attached notice.

The Donald Mackean Trust has been set up to offer grants to help disadvantaged young people enter STEM and related learning and careers (including science, technology, engineering, maths, health and the environment). The Trust would offer scholarships, maintenance allowances, funds for equipment or other items to enable participation in education or training, or to begin employment.

Grants would encompass the full range of learning and careers pathways (apprenticeship to degree level), promoting access for young people of all abilities. We feel this will be a very effective way to engage with young people who would be unlikely to progress, or even consider science-based learning without additional help. It would also enable them to progress in areas of sustainable employment, in addition to improving science-based knowledge and expertise

New beneficiaries would include care leavers, young carers, young people with disabilities and others facing multiple disadvantages in Hertfordshire.

We are aware that the size of the awards offered is modest in today's terms, but we do hope that students will continue to find the grants helpful.

Yours sincerely

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Peter Jackson