

# ***Making a Legacy or leaving something in your Will***

## **Remembering the Foundation for Endangered Species**

Legacies are very important to the home and provide the majority of our funds.

When making a legacy to **FES**, you can do so in confidence that sensitive and appropriate stewardship of your gift is of paramount importance to us. The Foundation for Endangered Species strongly recommends that you seek professional legal advice when writing your Will, or adding a Codicil, if you have already made a Will.

If you decide to make a legacy to **FES** you may contact us for further advice. Furthermore your solicitor or Will writer needs to be aware that if **FES** is to benefit, then the exact wording in the following statement must be used in your Will or Codicil:

"I bequeath Foundation for Endangered Species, the sum of .....  
This is to be used for general purposes/or for the purpose of....."

When discussing your Will or Codicil with your solicitor, you may find it helpful to know that there are various types of legacy from which to choose:

**The Pecuniary Legacy:** The pecuniary or monetary legacy enables you to donate a specific amount of money to a named individual or organisation. Provision should be made for index-linking the legacy, so that the value of the gift does not decrease with inflation.

**The Residual Legacy:** The residual legacy involves leaving all or part of the net residue of your estate to a named individual or organisation once all pecuniary legacies, debts and other liabilities have been met.

**The Reversionary Legacy** is another popular type of legacy that enables you to provide for your loved ones first and benefit FES, for example afterwards. A reversionary legacy involves leaving your assets to trustees so beneficiaries can enjoy the income during their lifetime, with the whole or part reverting to FES on their death.

**The Specific or Non-pecuniary Legacy:** This type of legacy allows you to leave a specific personal possession to FES, for example property, stocks and shares, works of art, or other valuables.

**Thank you for your support**