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For the Haslemere Herald of 13/14<sup>th</sup> November in which 4000 fliers are being distributed thanks to the sponsorship of Tindle News

## **Project Wenceslas Steps Out Again in Haslemere!**

Last year Farnham Lions linked up with the Haslemere CAB and Sure Start to run Haslemere's own version of their Wenceslas project. In doing so they raised £4,300 in their campaign to keep local people warm by eliminating Fuel Debt and ameliorating Fuel Poverty. Now they are repeating the exercise in 2014.

Funds will be solicited from local elderly people who will be invited to pass on their Winter Fuel Payments to the Lions for the benefit of those in the Haslemere area who need the assistance far more than themselves. For example, Haslemere CAB's fuel debt register currently totals over £4000 and the Sure Start and Foodbank organisations have also identified many deserving cases. The Lions believe that once again they can significantly assist in resolving these situations – and they can ensure that the funds will be entirely spent on fuel by dealing directly with the Utility Companies on behalf of the needy clients rather than with the clients themselves.

So, on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November in the presence of CAB and Tennyson Sure-Start, the Haslemere Mayor, Penny Bradley, officially launched the Haslemere version of Project Wenceslas for 2014.

Thanks to the generous sponsorship of the Haslemere Herald and Riverprint this year's campaign will "hit the streets" in the Herald of 14th November - but in the meantime early donations are solicited via www.justgiving.com/lions-wenceslas

Furtherrmore, numerous Lions Clubs in SW Surrey have followed Farnham Lions' example with Wenceslas projects of their own.

Good luck Project Wenceslas wherever you are held!