





# History of the Charity

Okehampton United Charity was created in 1873 to manage a number of land holdings in the Okehampton area. Its income was used to provide general charitable benefits in the Okehampton and its four Hamlets. In 1910 a separate charity, Okehampton Educational Foundation was created to provide educational benefits in the same area. Sales of land for development in 2001 and 2005 have created an investment fund which provides a substantial income.

## Who are we

The charity has 13 Trustees who meet monthly, considering grants and agreeing the ongoing management of the Charity.

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There are three subcommittees, Property, Grants and Finance Audit and Personnel. These meet quarterly and focus on specific aspects of the management of the charity.

The Day-to-day management of the charity is managed by Chris Owen and Karen Percival



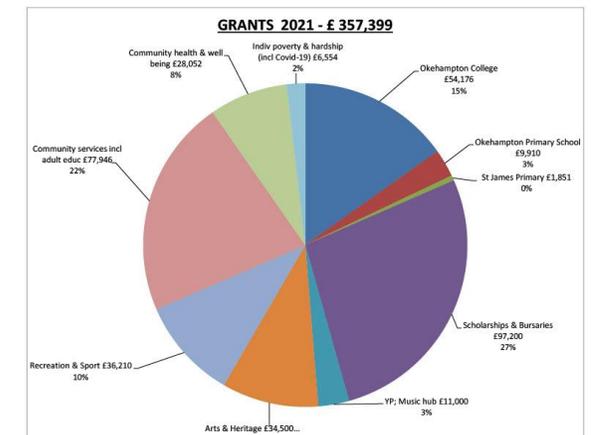
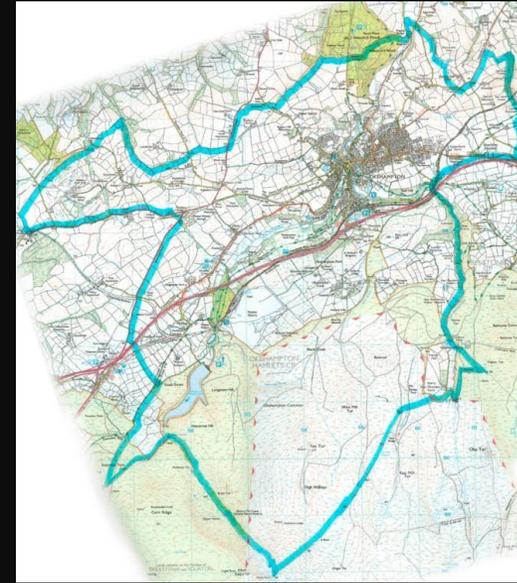
# What do we do.....

- Provide Almshouses and Allotments for local residents.
- Manage amenity and agricultural land (33 additional acres purchased in 2021).
- Invest ethically.
- Aim to generate circa £400,000 annually for grants.
- Offer support across the community of Okehampton and the Hamlets.



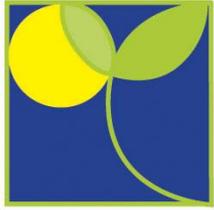
# Who we have supported over recent years

- The Charities remit is wide but its area of benefit small.
- Trustees can support any organisation or project which is charitable and a direct benefit to the residents of Okehampton and Hamlets.
- Beneficiaries in 2021 include:
  - OCRA, Okehampton College, Community Links, Tor Support Services, Okehampton United Ecclesiastical Charity, Okehampton Friendly Circle, Good Grief Café, Wren, Okehampton Primary School and St James' Primary School, Everything Okehampton, the Work Club, Dartmoor National Park, Hospiscare and Citizens Advice.
- A Trustee is allocated to each application for support.
- Trustees revisit applications to ensure grants have been used in accordance with application and to consider the ongoing benefit.



# What's next for the Charities

- Okehampton and Hamlets are growing at an unprecedented rate.
- New transport links / business centres / housing are all impacting on the Town and Hamlets.
- Trustees held a Strategy Day in 2021 this led to securing additional land and a proposed change in the structure of the charities. The structural changes are expected to be implemented before the Charities 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2023.
- Trustees want to ensure the Charities are well placed to continue supporting residents of Okehampton and Hamlets for at least another 150 years.



# Okehampton United Charities

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