

## **GRANT FEEDBACK FORM**

Name of group/organisation/charity Okehampton Duke of Edinburgh's Award Committee

Amount awarded ...£500.00...... Date of award ...17/08/2021.....

Please explain below how the grant has been spent and how the award has benefited

- a) your organisation or group
- b) all or part of Okehampton and/or some or all of its residents

This money has been spent to go towards the Lions share of the Equipment and Kit Insurance costs which came due in July

Supporting documents such as accounts and receipts should be included. Further evidence eg photographs (in suitable format for inclusion on Okehampton Town Council website) would be appreciated.

Please note the feedback form to be completed 8 weeks after the completion of the project or, in any event, within 12 months of receipt of the grant. Future applications will only be considered if feedback for previously awarded grants has been received.

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The information that you provide will be held by Okehampton Town Council and used for the purpose of the administration of this grant. We will keep the information for the period of time as set out in the Council's Document Retention Policy. The information will be held securely and not be disclosed to anyone or used for any other purpose without your permission. On expiration of the retention period the information will be destroyed in a secure manner. Policies about how the Council will protect your privacy are available at <a href="https://www.okehampton.gov.uk/documents">www.okehampton.gov.uk/documents</a> or by contacting the Council on 01837 53179



## **GRANT FEEDBACK FORM**

Name of group/organisation/charity: Devon Development Education (DDE)

Amount awarded: £350 Date of award: April 2020

Please explain below how the grant has been spent and how the award has benefited

a) your organisation or group.

b) all or part of Okehampton and/or some or all of its residents

In January 2019, DDE received a grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund to carry out a project called 'Telling Our Stories, Finding Our Roots. Devon's Multicultural History' in 3 Devon towns, Okehampton, Bideford and Tiverton. This project worked with community researchers in each town to uncover stories of people who had come to the towns, for many different reasons over the centuries, and to interview current new residents.

This grant was for a 12 month project. However, the Covid-19 pandemic intervened and disrupted the plans and timetable. It also meant that some activities, involving groups of people, were no longer felt to be safe. So in late 2020, we decided to add a new element to the project — a self-guided walking tour booklet for each town. To fund this extra work we needed to raise extra funds and re-allocate others. The grant from Okehampton Town Council was used for this purpose in Okehampton.

The project has been very successful. The research uncovered and the interviews are all on the website <a href="www.tellingourstoriesdevon.org.uk">www.tellingourstoriesdevon.org.uk</a>. For the exhibition, we created 6 banners and a wall panel telling these stories (all also shown on the website). This was set up in October 2020 but damaged by a severe storm, followed by 2 more lock-downs, so we waited until August 2021 to restart the exhibition. It is proving very population and well-received. We were delighted to have Okehampton's Mayor join us to view the banners on 6th August. These banners and all the research information will stay with the museum.

We also created self-guided walking tour booklets, which are freely available at the Tourist Information Centre and the library. 750 copies have been printed and provide a longer term legacy for the project. The project also enabled the translation of sections of a Polish Government book about the Polish Naval Academy which was located in Okehampton during WW2. This book in Polish was held by the council but had not been read.

We are very grateful for the grant from the town council and your support for this work.