



Okehampton Town Council

GRANT APPLICATION FORM

About your Group or Organisation

Name of group/organisation/charity: **OKEHAMPTON YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB**

Registered Charity Number (if applicable):

Registered address:

Contact name and address (if different): **MATTHEW HAWKES, 100 OKEHAMPTON ROAD, OKEHAMPTON, EX20 1EW**

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Phone/mobile:

Contact's role within organisation: **COMMITTEE MEMBER/ UNDER 8S COACH**

Please give brief details of the principal role of the organisation: **TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG PEOPLE INTO GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL, TO OFFER SUPPORT AND TEACHING MEMBERS VALUABLE LIFE SKILLS SUCH AS TEAMWORK, RESPECT, HONESTY, LOYALTY AS WELL AS HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE MAINTAIN A HEALTHY OUTLOOK BOTH PHYSICLALY AND MENTALLY.**

Are you, or your organisation, the organiser of the event/activity? **Yes**
Third-party applications through any 'parent' organisations will not be accepted.

Do you as the applicant, or any of the organisers of the event/activity, have a close connection with anyone who would directly benefit financially from award of the grant? **No**

If yes, please provide details of the connection and how they would benefit:

Local Involvement

How does the organisation benefit the community of Okehampton? **OKEHAMPTON YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB ENCOURAGES YOUNG PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD OF GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL. IT IS AN INCLUSIVE CLUB FOR BOTH MALE AND FEMALE PARTIES FROM AGES OF 6 UP TO 18 YEARS OF AGE. ITS MANY VOLUNTEER COACHES WORK TIRELESLLY TO PROVIDE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO INCREASE THEIR CONFIDENCE AND LEARN VITAL LIFE SKILLS WHICH CAN BE TAKEN INTO ADULT LIFE. GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL IS MORE THAN JUST A SPORT. IT EMBODIES TEAMWORK AND RESPECT IN PARTICIPANTS, ENCOURAGES LOYALTY AND HONESTY AND REWARDS GOOD BEHAVIOUR BOTH IN AND OUT OF THE FOOTBALL ENVIRONMENT. TEAMMATES CAN BECOME FRIENDS FOR LIFE AND THE HEALTH BENEFITS OF CONTINUED ACTIVITY LEADS TO BETTER PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH.**

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How many people in total use your organisation? ...

THE CLUB HAS 11 TEAMS FROM AGE 6 -18, WITH APPROX 20 PLAYERS PER TEAM THE CLUB HAVE OVER 220+ YOUNG PEOPLE.

Of the total number of beneficiaries, approximately how many reside in:

a) Okehampton? 75%

b) Okehampton Hamlets? 25%

Average number of Okehampton beneficiaries attending each meeting/activity? 220

Number of meetings/activities per year? **TRAINING AND MATCHES COVER 10 MONTHS OF THE YEAR ON VARIOUS DAYS OF THE WEEK**

About the Grant

Please state what the grant will be used for and how it will directly benefit Okehampton town residents, details of event/activity location and dates should be included.

THE CLUB ARE CONTINUALLY HAVING TO REPLENISH AND IMPROVE EQUIPMENT SO ALL PLAYERS CAN PARTICIPATE AND ENJOY GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL. WITH INCREASED REGISTRATION FEES/MATCH COSTS ETC GRANTS LIKE THIS ONE ARE ESSENTIAL TO BUY EQUIPMENT. AT THE START OF EACH SEASON THE CLUB HAS TO BUY BALLS/BIBS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT TO REPLACE OLD OR WORN ITEMS. CHANGES TO FOOTBALL SIZES DEPENDING ON AGE GROUPS MEAN NEW BALLS/MATCH BALLS ARE NEEDED EVERY YEAR AT A CONSIDERABLE COST.

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The wider Okehampton area and newer housing developments mainly fall within the area of Okehampton Hamlets Parish Council (OHPC) and not that of the Town Council. Where the event/activity is expected to benefit residents of OHPC as well as the town, please indicate the approximate proportion for each parish area (%) provide details of how you came to this conclusion.

A HIGH MAJORITY 90% OF MEMBERS ARE FROM THE OKEHAMPTON TOWN AND IMMEDIATE HOUSING ESTATES THAT FALL INTO THE HAMLETS. THE MAJORITY OF PLAYERS THAT PLAY, LIVE IN WHAT IS CONSIDERED OKEHAMPTON (INCLUDING THE NEW ESTATES) .

WITH MANY SMALLER TEAMS IN THE OUTLYING VILLAGES ATTRACTING THEIR OWN RESIDENTS OKEHAMPTON YOUTH FOOTBALL IS PREDOMINANTLY AIMED AT THOSE LIVIGN WITHIN THE TOWN.

Please supply full costings of the project, equipment or activity:

WITH EACH NEW SEASON BALLS ARE REQUIRED TO REPLACE LOST OR DAMAGED BALLS. A BAG OF 10 MITRE FOOTBALLS COST APPROX £75. THIS SEASON THE CLUB WILL NEED AT LEAST 5 NEW BAGS OF BALLS TO COVER THE SIZE CHANGES. THIS WILL COST THE CLUB IN EXCESS OF £375

What is the amount of grant requested? **£ 375**

Are you contributing matched funding? **THE CLUB IS NOT DIRECTLY MATCH FUNDING BUT ONGOING FUNDRAISING AND GRATN APPLICATION/SPONSORSHIPS ARE BEING SOUGHT FOR THE CONTINUED RUNNING OF THE CLUB.**

Please give details of any other grant applications, made elsewhere, for the event/activity:

Organisation	Amount	Outcome if known

Is your organisation running fundraising activities for this project? **NOT DIRECTLY FOR THIS PROJECT BUT IN GENERAL**

When do you anticipate the money will be spent (date)? **AUGUST/SEPTEMBER FOR THE NEW SEASON**
Check List:

You are applying on behalf of a voluntary group, not-for-profit organisation or charity? YES

Your project/activity will directly benefit the residents of Okehampton? YES

Copies most recent accounts/budget/governing document enclosed YES

Is your application retrospective? NO

Have you received or been awarded a Town Council grant within this financial year? NO

Have you completed and submitted a feedback form or report for any previously awarded grant? NO

All applications must include:

- a statement of accounts for the most recent accounting year
- a copy of the governing document
- a copy of the current year's budget
- costings if applying for a specific project
- confirmation that other funding has been/will be applied for

Additionally, grant applications of over £400 must be accompanied by a letter, describing:

- the reason for the application
- the amount requested
- the benefit to Okehampton Town residents
- where there is a wider area of benefit, details of how many Okehampton Town residents will benefit.



OAVFC 23/24 ACCOUNTS SUMMARY

		OUTGOINGS			NOT COMPLETE
	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	
DEVON REG FEES	£770.00	£837.00	£261.00	£1,706.50	
DEVON FAIRIES	£193.00	£90.00	£222.00	£316.00	
EDYL FINE	£70.00	£130.00	£50.00	£30.00	
EDYL REG FEES	£440.00	£440.00	£440.00		
PITCH FEES	£6,522.75	£10,973.50	£14,866.87		
REF FEES	£823.00	£845.00	£2,220.00	£1,945.00	
INSURANCE?	£0.00	£353.00	£0.00	£0.00	
FOURPHENT KIT	£2,874.92	£7,322.40	£8,761.35	£3,160.00	
TRAINING JOBS	£925.00	£230.00	£604.95	£553.50	
SUNDRIES	£2,431.36	£5,359.44	£3,875.97	£4,400.00	
TROPHIES	£1,493.73	£1,110.82	£1,443.99	£1,101.31	
TOTAL	£16,483.66	£27,750.16	£30,662.33	£36,454.73	

		INCOME			
	IN 22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	
CLUB REG FEES	£16,770.21	£19,454.54	£22,569.83	£23,305.43	
DONATIONS	£46.00	£200.00	£962.00	£1,450.00	
FINES	£66.00	£40.00	£120.00	£1,200.00	
FUNDRAISING	£86.00	£0.00	£1,708.10	£0.00	
TOTAL	£15,078.06	£19,702.54	£25,349.93	£25,161.43	

Includes £972.32 spent by Matt Hallett - sponsor money

Our budget for EADY is set at £25,000.00. We have only spent £25,161.43.



Sheet1



Subject: Proposed Budget Forecast for 2026/27

Based on the current accounts and using recent spending and income trends, I've put together a draft budget forecast for the 2026/27 season. Please note that the 2025/26 accounts are not yet complete, so these figures are estimates and can be adjusted as more information becomes available.

Projected Income

- Club Registration Fees: **£24,500**
- Donations: **£1,800**
- Fines: **£120**
- Fundraising: **£1,000**
- **Total Estimated Income: £27,420**

Projected Expenditure

- Devon Registration Fees: **£1,800**
- Devon FA Fines: **£300**
- E&DYL Fines: **£150**
- E&DYL Registration Fees: **£700**
- Pitch Fees: **£14,800**
- Referees: **£2,050**
- Insurance: **£600**
- Equipment/Kit: **£3,200**
- Training/DBS: **£600**
- Sundries: **£2,500**
- Trophies: **£1,250**
- **Total Estimated Expenditure: £27,950**

Forecast Position

- Estimated Income: **£27,420**
- Estimated Expenditure: **£27,950**
- **Projected Deficit: £530**

To achieve a balanced budget, we could consider:

- A small increase in club registration fees (around 3–5%).
- Planning at least one fundraising event to generate around £1,500.
- Keeping equipment and sundry spending under close control.
- Continuing to reduce disciplinary fines.

With these measures, we should be able to achieve a small surplus of between **£500 and £1,500**, giving the club a healthier financial position for future seasons.