# Richmond Parish Lands Charity Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Grants to individuals**

### 1. How much Education Grant can I apply for towards my expenses whilst I study for a degree?

We expect undergraduates to access student finance in full, including for fees and maintenance and options for extra help. Full information is available here: https://www.gov.uk/student-finance. We also ask you to research other options such as bursaries and university hardship funds by speaking to the student support services at your university. If you still have a shortfall and you have particular personal circumstances that make it difficult to take on part-time or holiday work, you can apply for a maximum £3,000 this year. You can make one application each year, however please note that our maximum for undergraduate grants varies from year-to-year and may decrease.

## 2. Can I apply for an Education Grant towards post-graduate study or a second degree?

RPLC prioritises funding to people from a low-education background and without a degree. We do not offer grants towards the cost of post-graduate study or for subsequent degrees. An exception may be made for people working in the voluntary and community sector who are upskilling to meet a particular sector need, in which case please contact the Grants team to discuss.

#### 3. What are Child Support grants?

We provide Child Support grants each year to every school in our benefit area. These are used by Headteachers to support the education of disadvantaged pupils in their community. Typically, it's used to subsidise residential journeys and class visits, for places at breakfast/after school/holiday clubs or other activities, towards uniform costs, and various therapies. We don't decide how this is used; please direct any queries to your Headteacher.