



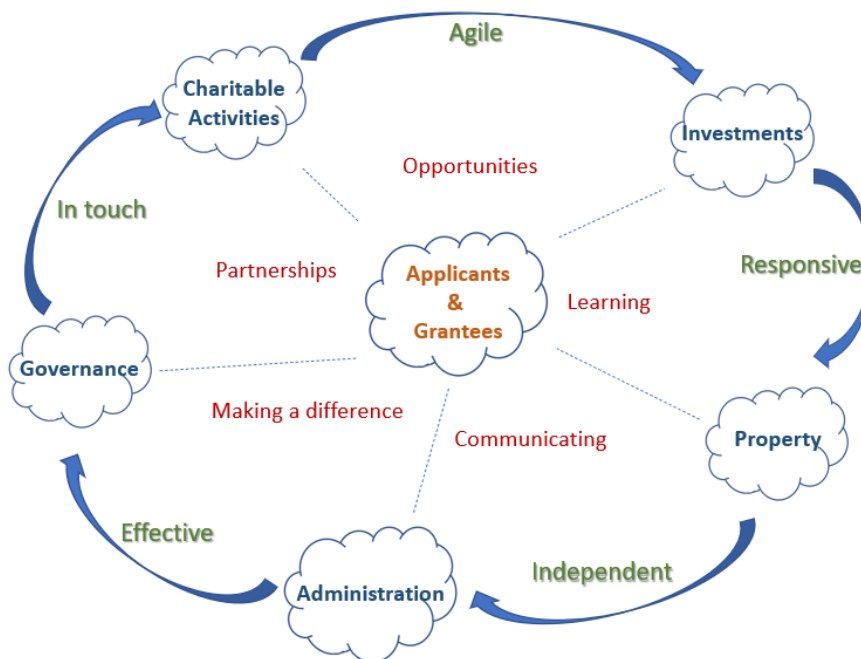
**Richmond Parish Lands Charity**  
Charity No. 200069

**Background**

RPLC is an endowed charity supporting people in need in Richmond and the organisations that help them. The Charity aims to maximise opportunities for individuals and communities to realise their potential and enjoy a better quality of life. RPLC engages in a wide range of charitable activity by supporting community groups; regular funding over 35 local charities; project funding; charitable housing, and education support & learning. Over £1.7m was distributed in the last financial year. Committees of Trustees oversee the work of the grant’s officers and review applications at meetings held regularly throughout the year.

RPLC also provides non-financial support. The office team seek to develop partnerships by working closely with the Voluntary Sector, other local funders, the local Council and with individuals in contact with the Charity.

Individuals and organisations seeking support, and those who have received funding from RPLC, are at the heart of the Charity’s activity.



**Trustee role**

To be a Trustee of an organisation is an exciting and fulfilling role. The most effective Trustee boards are ones that include individuals from a diverse range of backgrounds, experiences, and skill sets. The role of an RPLC Trustee is to ensure that the Charity fulfils its duty to its beneficiaries and delivers on its vision, mission, and values. Trustees are responsible for strategic leadership, overall governance, asset management and financial oversight. Day to day operations are managed by the Director and a small office team based in Richmond.

## Person specification

1. Knowledge or experience of the voluntary sector in Richmond
2. Committed to making a positive difference in Richmond.
3. Active in helping local organisations or community initiatives
4. Interested in helping individuals seeking to improve their wellbeing and opportunities in life
5. Willing to serve on the Board for a maximum of two 4-year terms

RPLC is eager to **increase the diversity of its Trustee board** and positively encourages applications from people from BAME backgrounds, people with lived experience of disability, or are service users of, or employees in, the voluntary sector.

## Knowledge, skills and understanding

The following skills and understanding are essential:

- a commitment to the aims of the Charity
- good, independent judgement and strategic vision
- a willingness to speak their mind and to listen to the views of others
- the ability to remain independent of any influence from another organisation or individual
- an understanding and acceptance of the legal duties, responsibilities, and liabilities of trusteeship
- able to work effectively as part of a team
- able to review applications, agree grant awards and review the progress of funded projects
- availability to prepare for and attend regular Trustee and Committee meetings.

## Time commitment

Trustee Board meetings are usually held five times a year. In addition, there are Committees with areas of responsibility including property, finance, HR, and grant making and Trustees are asked to be a member of at least one of these. Committees usually meet four times a year. All meetings take place at Vestry House in Richmond. Papers for meetings are usually circulated electronically a week in advance.

## Remuneration

This role is offered on a voluntary basis. All reasonable expenses relating to Trustee duties and responsibilities will be reimbursed.

## Application Process:

To express an interest in becoming an RPLC Trustee please complete the online application form: [RPLC Trustee Application Form 2020](#)

Please feel free to contact the Director, Jonathan Monckton: [Director@rplc.org.uk](mailto:Director@rplc.org.uk)

**The closing date for applications is: Midday, Friday 30 October 2020.** All applicants will be notified about the outcome of their application. Interviews will take place in the week beginning 9 November at mutually convenient times.

# RPLC's Ambition

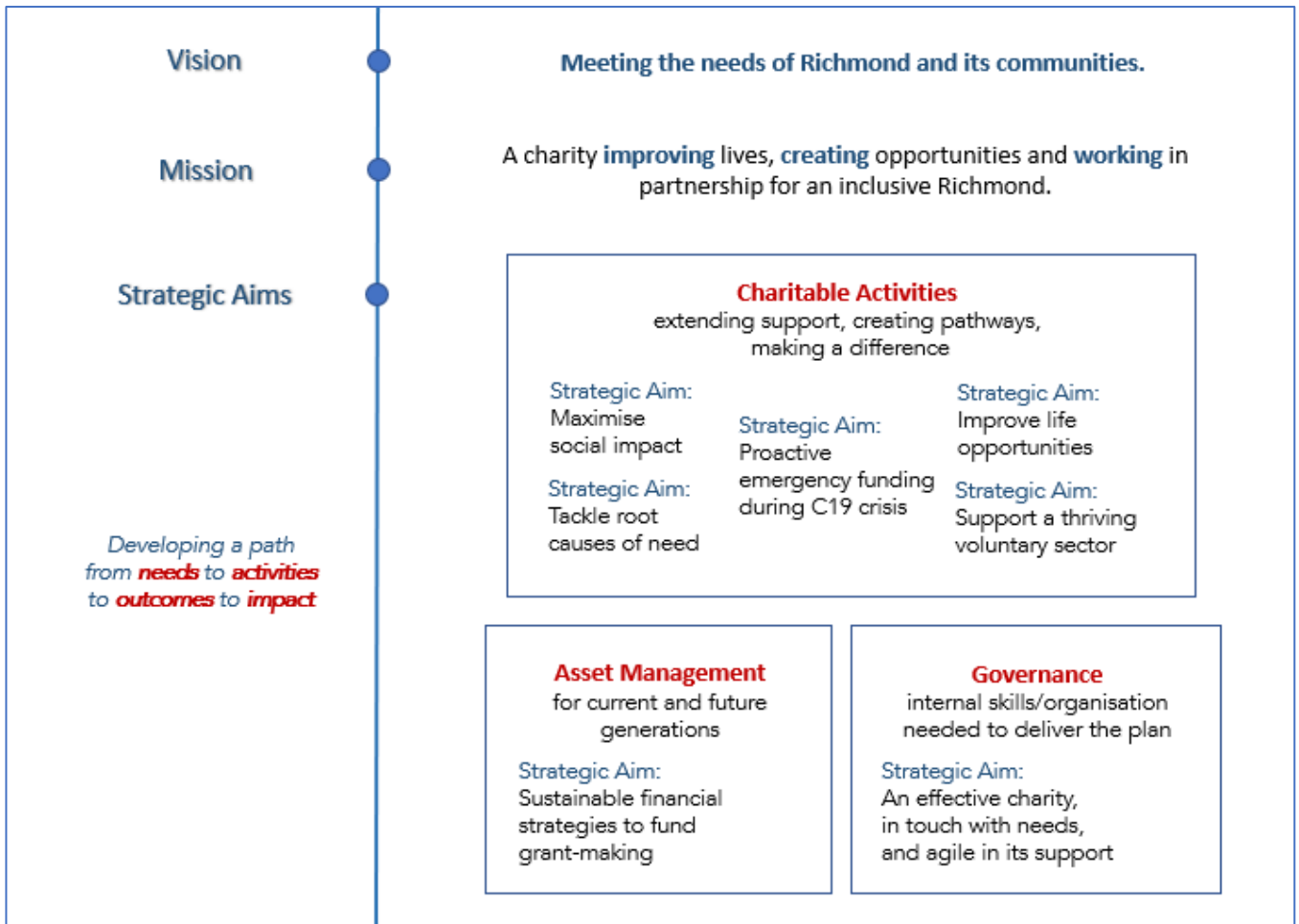


Figure 1: Otaker Kraus Music Trust (£15,830)



Figure 2: Kew Neighbourhood Association (£12,200)