

# Helping people in Hammersmith since 1618

1618

Dr Thomas Edwards gives £100 (approx £10k in today's money) to the poor of Fulham to buy them land



1620

Bishop John King (the then Bishop of London) donates £20 for similar purposes – Dr Edwards and Bishop Kings Fulham Charity established

1634

Dr Thomas Iles gives money and land to establish homes for those in need in Hammersmith



1665

Sir Nicholas Crispe gives £100 to the poor of Hammersmith



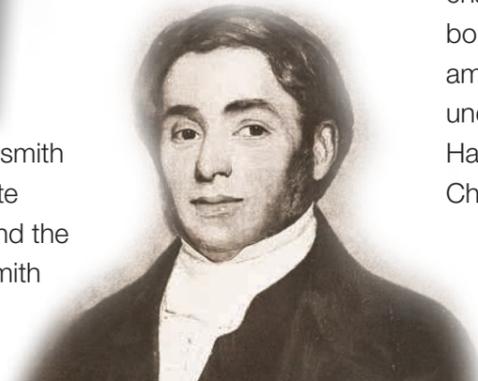
1834



Hamlet of Hammersmith becomes a separate parish to Fulham and the 'root' of Hammersmith United Charities is formed

1859

John Betts gives land. In 1964 John Betts' House was erected in his memory



1923

Charity Commissioners decree that all the then individual charities across the borough should amalgamate, under the title of Hammersmith United Charities

1955



1964

John Betts' House is built providing 35 residential flats of which 11 had separate bedrooms and sitting rooms, with the other 24 being bed-sits



Sycamore House is built to provide 40 flats; officially opened on 9th June, 1955 by H.R.H. Princess Alice, The Duchess of Gloucester



1987

Gloucester House, our Frail Care home, is conceived and constructed. The opening ceremony was conducted by H.R.H. The Duchess of Gloucester – the daughter-in-law of Princess Alice



1998



Trustees undertake extensive refurbishment to John Betts' House, at a cost of over £4m to the charity

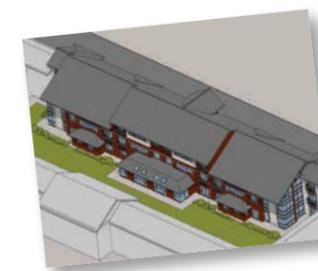
2009

Trustees commission a detailed survey of social exclusion in the charity's area of benefit led by Professor Anne Power of the Centre for the Analysis of Social Exclusion, London School of Economics (LSE)



2011

Gloucester House Redevelopment Project provides 24 further new flats



2011

New grant scheme is launched to target key areas of need identified across the borough. This follows the LSE research previously commissioned, and provides a platform to develop our support in this area to the next level

2013

HUC enters into a partnership to match fund the Big Local programme in Wormholt and White City over 10 years. This is a unique partnership in the 150 Big Local areas nationally

