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## CHURCHES TOGETHER IN OAKHAM

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Update July 2021

At the CTiO service of prayer and thanksgiving at the end of May, we announced the intention to set up a new investment Trust with the aim of purchasing a second home in the town this Summer.

We are very pleased to be able to say that the final legal processes for setting up the Trust are now in hand and that a suitable property has been found, our offer accepted and solicitors instructed. Allowing for the legal process of conveyancing and then subsequent essential refurbishments to ensure the property meets essential home rental standards, we hope to be able to open the house for occupation by two new tenants this Autumn.

A second friendship and support team of volunteers has met with Gary Marsh and Heather Day, who lead this work, and has begun familiarising themselves with the role. We still need two more volunteers however, so if you think you might be interested, please get in touch with either Gary at: [marshuns@icloud.com](mailto:marshuns@icloud.com) or with Heather at: [heather.day1@outlook.com](mailto:heather.day1@outlook.com)

Already, a number of church members have very kindly donated or offered items of furniture or household equipment for the new house. However, we still need more, specific, good quality, items so if you think you might have something that could be used, please get in touch with Mark Nicholls who is keeping a list of what is needed and being offered: [mark.nicholls8@btinternet.com](mailto:mark.nicholls8@btinternet.com)

St Joseph's Catholic Church has kindly offered to store furniture until it can be moved into the house. Again, if you are willing to give us a helping hand to collect what is being donated, then please also let Mark know.

Thank you all for your support and please continue to pray for the project and what it is seeking to achieve.

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