

And Sow to Grow

Annual report 2023

This year we have seen a small increase in our income for projects and our work with one-to-one students on site.

Our memorial lamp project is at the final stages of completion with a wrought iron eternal flame lit with a solar powered light in memory at the members of the crew and students who perished in a Wellington Bomber crash nest to the wood. We have several QR code web site linked signs around the area.

The project was undertaken with the help of students, members of the community and the local historic group. The local, and county council also helped spread the word through their networks.

We have hosted several events and cooking for life sessions run by a local education partner. Our work also included open days for schools for students who match our criteria.

Sessions undertaken have included making solar panels to run a radio, solar powered ovens, bird and bat boxes, bird feeders, planting a new section of garden border, recycled kites, planting, veg growing, art and wellbeing yoga sessions.

In 2024 we are planning several similar sessions as well as bringing back the toddler stay and play, pop food trucks to raise funds and a Man Shed in an unused barn.

It must be added that this was achieved by a dedicated team of volunteers and trustees who have worked hard to keep the charity a viable option. Our one part-time member of staff has had their work cut out too.

Our income from grants and session fees reached £10,925 of which we have spent £9,786 leaving unfenced income of £1,139 for work in 2024.

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