



End of project impact report

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Project Details

Project Title / Description: Oldways Memorial Woodland Footpath

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IMPACT REPORT FOR PERIOD: 15th November 2017 To 2nd February 2018



Q1 In no more than 500 words please outline the key outcomes of your project.

Our project was to reinvigorate the already established woodland footpath, thus allowing the community to walk unhindered by the mud created owing to its popularity. The footpath originally established using mulch provided by local tree surgeons, had been so well used over the last two years that it was turning into mud, we needed to restore it by re-covering the path with more mulch.

The Society contacted our mulch donor and over the months he piled all his mulch at the North end of the Oldways, when we thought we had enough to restore the footpath, we contacted our contractor and he came loaded and transported the mulch to where it was required.

We also covered the base of the learning area in order to stop the growth of nettles and keep the floor dry to walk on.

Our mulch donor will continue to keep the area supplied with mulch now and this will mean that in the future we can transport small amounts ourselves to patch any deterioration on the footpath.

Q2 In no more than 500 words please demonstrate how the project has met the Community Development Plan objectives that were identified in the original application for funding.

The members of the Society were assisted in the spreading of the mulch by three local volunteers, who stayed until all the mulch was spread, they were also interested in what we were doing and agreed they would like to assist in the future. Several residents however were disappointed as they wished to assist but were not able as the work was done in the day, but have asked to be informed of any future work.

Since the footpath was re-covered there is evidence of its use in that the mulch is well trodden already and several dog walkers have commented on the footpaths revival. Questions have also been raised about the equipment that the contractor was using and who paid for it, when told it was the community engagement forum they seemed quite impressed that such a body existed.



Q3 In no more than 250 words please give details of any additional benefits or objectives that the project has met that were not anticipated/ outlined in the original application for funding.

Unfortunately it is very early yet to see any additional benefits other than the footpath now drier underfoot is being used by more people, in the summer months we are expecting local schools to hold nature classes in the learning area.

Any other comments on the project and its success:

The Society, prior to asking for funding had spent some time gathering and storing mulch ready for the start of the project. When we thought we had sufficient mulch for our needs we approached the CEF for funding in order to load and transport the mulch, we were fortunate and we received funding and the work was carried out in a day, whereas without the funding it would have taken weeks even months.

However even all the mulch that we stored was not enough to totally complete what we were hoping to achieve and there is still some work to do.

As mentioned in Q1 we have requested that our mulch donor continue to supply us with mulch, which he has agreed he will do, but it could take time for us to achieve the amount we require.

The Society have paid our contractor the full amount for the work he has carried out.

Our contractor who has taken an interest in the project, has kindly offered to assist us again when we have obtained more mulch, free of charge.