

**THE NINEVEH CHARITABLE TRUST PARK FARM FRITTENEDEN ROAD BIDDENDEN ASHFORD
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Registered No. 256025

Tell us about yourselves

The Gloucester & Forest Alternative Provision School is a facility for children aged 4-16 years unable to attend mainstream schools due to permanent exclusion, risk of exclusion for behavioural or safety reasons, short or long-term illness, school refusal or teenage pregnancy. All are referred to the school via the Local Authority and are the most vulnerable pupil cohort in the County. We support approx. 250 pupils a year during their time of crisis before moving them to a permanent education solution as soon as possible. Our pupils have complex needs & the majority arrive with significantly lower cognitive levels than national. We aim to provide pupils with extraordinary opportunities, personalised learning in an inclusive environment. We work hard to develop key skills required for success, equipping them with resilience, respect & the ability to manage their emotions. These children can become the forgotten of our education system and deserve the best to achieve their potential.

Tell us about the Funds

- Has the project we helped to fund been completed? If so, how is it maintained?

Yes it has. All of the outdoor equipment has now been purchased. It is kept in our kit stores and will be replaced as it wears out – this ensures safe practice but also allows us to keep within our renewal budget as we will not need the significant expenses all in one go.

- If not completed yet, why not? Are plans in place to finalise the project?
- Did the funds provided by us prove adequate, or was there an over- or under-spend?

Your fund proved adequate when they were included with the income from the National Lottery and from the Zurich's community trust.

- How were any surplus funds used, or was further funding made available?

There have been no surplus funds.

Tell us about the project

- Has the project been successful and well received by the beneficiaries?

So far the project is proving to be a resounding success with measurable outcomes of our pupils engagement with their natural environment. We have managed to run three residential programmes which would have been impossible without the equipment.

So far we have 15 pupils engaged with getting AQA Awards reflecting their engagement with the environment, above ground, below ground on cliff faces, in woods and on the canal.

The resilience and development of our younger pupils has been significantly impacted and great results have been seen as a result in the classrooms as well.

- Are you satisfied with the outcome, or, with hindsight, would some modifications have been appropriate?

Happy with everything so far.

- Was funding for this project made available from any other sources?

Yes from the National Lottery and Zurich.

Feedback about us

- How did you find our own process of selection and payment?

Very painless

- Have you considered providing us with an update on the activities for which our Trust provided the funding?

We would be happy too – with photographs if you wish too.

- Would you welcome a visit by our Trustees?

Yes we would but all safeguarding – i.e. DBS etc would need to be undertaken first.

- Have you any other comments?

What a truly wonderful charity Nineveh is – the aims and objectives are so valid and tie in so perfectly with the cohort of children that need to access the outdoor education that we offer at the Alternative Provision School. Thank you so much for your support – it will have a long lasting and hugely impactful effect on many children's lives.

This questionnaire is part of our due diligence, obtaining feedback to help us, and we are grateful for your input – please return the questionnaire as soon as possible.