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Dear Trustees,

Re: Living Options Devon - Countryside Mobility Scheme

Further to the generous contribution of £5,000 from the Nineveh Charitable Trust towards the refurbishment of four all-terrain mobility scooters for our Countryside Mobility scheme, I am enclosing a report.

Many thanks again for supporting the Countryside Mobility scheme. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Diana Crump
Chief Executive Officer
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NINEVEH CHARITABLE TRUST

In 2018 Nineveh Charitable Trust awarded Living Options Devon £5,000 for the refurbishment of 4 all terrain Trampers through our Countryside Mobility Scheme (CMSW).

The reliability of the Trampers is paramount to the success of the project, so it was important to service and refurbish our most used Trampers; Durlston, Haldon Forest, RHS Rosemoor and Heddon Valley. All four Trampers have now been refurbished and are back in use meaning people with mobility issues can visit these sites without the fear that they will be out of service.

In 2011 (the first full year of Countryside Mobility) 385 people used a Tramper. Last year (2018) this had risen to 3,986 people with the majority of these (3,454) being first-time users. We currently have just over 1,300 people who are annual members of the scheme.

As part of our monitoring and evaluation process we conduct an annual member survey. In June 2018 when asked, How do you feel when you are using a Tramper?, the most frequently chosen word was 'happy' (73%), followed by 'independent' (69%) and a 'sense of freedom' (68%). This evidences the improvement in people's wellbeing and independence, and aligns with Nineveh Charitable Trust's objectives.

Living Options Devon would like to thank the Nineveh Charitable Trust for their financial support. You have enabled more people to access the utdoors and spend time with their loved ones.

"The Tramper scheme is brilliant and I use one when we go to places. When I use it - mainly at Rosemoor - it allows me far more independence than before. I was also able to take part in the 'Santa Run' in December"

ROSEMOOR CMSW USER

"The first time in 6 years we have been able to share a walk with our dogs. Just loved the freedom the tramper gave me. Didn't feel disabled - wonderful fresh air and views."

DURLSTON CMSW USER

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