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Questionnaire

Please note if you would prefer to write a report on your project with photos that is also acceptable.

Tell us about yourselves (Charity Name, Donation Amount and Date of Donation)

Wild Things – Environmental education in Action was fortunate enough to receive a donation of £5,000 on 24/02/2021

Tell us about the Funds

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

Yes, this project was completed. We purchased the vehicle as described, a Citroen Relay with pneumatic wheelchair lift, collapsible fold-down staircase and handrail as well as removable seating. The minibus is a 17-seater and will prove an invaluable asset for our 4-year Silver Saplings project which focuses on getting older demographics outdoors for educational and health and wellbeing purposes.

- If not completed yet, why not? Are plans in place to finalise the project?

N/A

- Did the funds provided by us prove adequate, or was there an over- or under-spend?

The funding was hugely welcomed and provided the support we needed to go ahead and purchase the vehicle. The project budget was much as anticipated with multiple funders contributing towards the final purchase, including a contribution from Wild Things reserves.

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

There was no surplus funding – the full £5,000 was spent on the purchase of the minibus.

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Tell us about the project

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

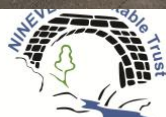
The new minibus has revolutionised what we are able to do with participants who struggle with mobility issues. We are now be able to take participants in wheelchairs as well as those who are unsteady on their feet to wild spaces which would have been impossible to access without the accessibility features offered by our new minibus. This will result in more exciting and interesting outdoor trips for our older participants, enabling them to experience wild spaces that they would otherwise be unable to access.

Additionally, the new minibus has opened up our work significantly to other age groups who either use wheelchairs or who have disabilities which otherwise impact their mobility. Whilst we are not explicitly engaging in work with people with disabilities at present, the ability to cater for this group will has already enabled us to work with wheelchair users on multiple occasions.



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

We are highly satisfied with our new minibus which is an essential component in the delivery of all our charitable health and wellbeing services.

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

Yes, we received additional support from the Berry Burn Foundation and Heritage Fund as well as utilising some of Wild Things' own reserves.

Feedback about us

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

The process of application, selection and payment was seamless. We have no issues with Ninevah's processes.

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

We would be very happy to provide a general update as required by the Ninevah Trust. If this would be useful, please don't hesitate to ask.

- Would you welcome a visit by our Trustees?

We would of course very much welcome a visit. We run a multitude of different activities for all ages within our communities and trustees would be entirely welcome to attend these and perhaps, even to get a ride in our new accessible minibus!

- Have you any other comments?

We are extremely grateful for the support of the Ninevah Charitable Trust who have made the purchase of this essential vehicle possible. Your support came at a critical moment where the funding requirements of other match funders meant that we had to secure the necessary funds within only a few months. Fortunately, The Ninevah Charitable Trust provided the final match funding required for us to be able to make the purchase. In this way, The Ninevah Charitable Trust was instrumental in helping us to secure the full project budget, which was essential to unlock funding that had previously been pledged by other funders. For this, we are extremely grateful!

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. Please email all questionnaires and/or reports to sally@ninevehtrust.org.uk

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