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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)

Windmill Hill City Farm, £4,000, February 2021

Tell us about the Funds

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

Our project is an ongoing outdoor education programme, generously supported regularly by the Nineveh C.T., the National Lottery, and other funders such as Children in Need and the Nisbet Trust. We also receive earned income through school fees for our workshops.

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

The need is ongoing, so the programme will continue - children locally often lack access to outdoor space, and have little connection to nature, farming and the food cycle.

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

The total direct programme costs were £31,300 in 2021, which were funded through charitable giving and fees from schools. We spent this in its entirety on providing school visits for 1,581 schoolchildren.

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

All funds were used to provide school visits, connecting local children to the benefits of nature and education around food and farming.

Tell us about the project

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

Despite difficult circumstances caused by Covid, we have rebuilt our school visits programme and provided flexible opportunities for local families to access the outdoors. Please see the attached positive feedback and photos from nursery and primary schools.

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

Given the impact of Covid, we have been pleased with the outcome of the Outdoor Learning project and the number of children we have been able to engage.

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

The programme is funded through earned and charitable income. In 2021 we earned £12,600 from school bookings, and received funding from Children in Need and the National Lottery Awards for All for specific programme elements, as well as Nineveh's valuable contribution.

Feedback about us

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

The application process was simple and straightforward.

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

We are happy to provide updates on the activities funded by Nineveh C.T., and have attached a selection of photos and quotes from the school children who have visit the Farm in the last year.

- Would you welcome a visit by our Trustees?

We would welcome a visit by your Trustees to the Farm so that we can showcase our work and the impact of your funding.

- Have you any other comments?

Nineveh's funding has been critical to our 2021 education programme and allows our work to continue. Whilst funders such as Children In Need and National Lottery Awards for All fund specific elements within the Outdoor Learning programme (vulnerable groups, and a family nurture group, respectively), Nineveh's contribution enables the outdoor learning programme to function. With your funding we have been able to keep school visits affordable for local schools from deprived areas. Securing general programme funding is increasingly challenging, and your support gives us the flexibility to continue offering children enriching outdoor experiences. It has allowed us to rebuild our school visits and have the right staff in place to offer flexible support to our community at a time when accessing the outdoors has been especially beneficial. The continued impact of Covid has meant schools have needed the flexibility to cancel visits at times, which would have been very difficult to manage had your funding not been in place. Despite challenging circumstances, we are proud to have worked with 1,581 schoolchildren during the year. With your support we are connecting local people to the benefits of nature and education around food and farming.

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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