



Northfield **Ecocentre**
Inspiring Positive Action



ANNUAL REPORT 2016

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114 people learned to maintain their bike



147 people attended our 9 led cycle rides

290

adults & children taught to cycle



we supported our local communities to learn new skills and grow their own food

1721

attendances at our 4 community gardens

2350

donated hours of volunteer time

532 children involved in outdoor learning

273 children involved in our schools programme



people of all ages experienced growing, cooking, sewing, eco-crafts & cycling

1423

people attended our events & courses



27 newly trained fuel poverty assessors
22 fuel poverty assessments carried out



supporting people to take positive steps towards low carbon living

205

building energy audits completed

“ I am so grateful to you for this wonderful camp. He came back talking in detail about all the things he did. He loved picking and cooking the plums and enjoyed making a new treehouse every day. He was enthusiastic and these were the happiest days of his summer. I think this camp is offering something really crucial to children both as a principle (in helping the young generation have a relationship with the environment) and in practice (it was better than we had even hoped). ”

A NATURAL HAVEN FOR ALL



LEARNING + GROWING

Forest School sessions
Sustainability workshops for primary schools

Sewing Group

Courses

Events

Volunteering

Food Growing

Wild Longbridge

Adults and Children

Community Gardens

Ecokids & Ecotots activities

Wild Bunch Holiday clubs



FANTASTIC PLACE





We are building strong communities, increasing self esteem and confidence, improving physical and mental well-being, sharing skills, providing food security, protecting the environment and reducing food miles.

Our award winning **community gardens** support local people with a range of needs. A participant with a brain injury really enjoyed his time working with us. His support worker said that working at the garden and being given responsibilities has helped him towards now living in 'assisted living' accommodation and moving out of the care home.

Why not volunteer or join in?



“ I HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE CHANCE TO TRY OUT NEW THINGS AND LEARN NEW SKILLS. ”



We continue to support individuals and organisations to move toward a low carbon lifestyle or operation. We've helped people who are motivated to save energy, be warmer, save money, tackle climate change, improve their PR and eco-credentials, support others or who are simply driven by their values.

Our Services

- Display Energy Certificates
- Fuel Poverty Training
- Action Research
- Environmental Action Planning
- Thermal Imaging
- Sustainability Audits
- Supporting Eco-School and Eco-Church status

“ THE SURVEY WAS VERY THOROUGH ...VERY INFORMATIVE ... IT WILL ENABLE US TO FOCUS REMEDIAL WORK PRECISELY WHERE NEEDED. ”

Get in touch to see how we can help you move to a low-carbon future.





Group and 1 to 1 cycle tuition for all
 Bike Maintenance courses and sessions
 Family friendly, themed, led cycles rides

2016

We taught many people with additional needs, including autism, dyspraxia, hyper-mobility, and learning difficulties. This has been a life-changing experience for many of them.



“ OUR 6-YR OLD CAN NOW RIDE HIS BIKE WITHOUT STABILISERS AS A DIRECT RESULT OF YOUR COURSE! THANK YOU! ”



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BOOK A SESSION
 BECOME A VOLUNTEER

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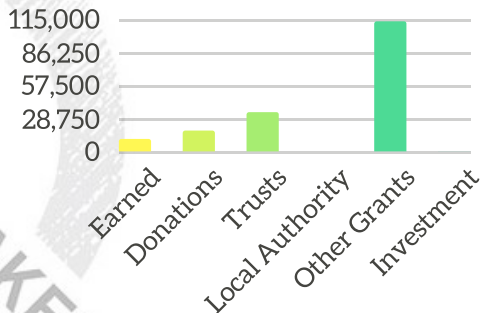
MAKING CYCLING EASIER FOR ALL

REDUCING AIR POLLUTION - BURNING CALORIES - SAVING OIL - GETTING FIT - IMPROVING HEART RATES

Balance Sheet

Debtors:	£3,203
Short Term Deposits:	£26,874
Cash at Bank:	£31,203
Current Assets:	£61,280
Liabilities:	£7,500
Net Current Assets:	£53,780

Quaker values of transparency are central to our good stewardship. Any surplus funds are classed as designated reserves and are used to support our future activity.



Balance b/f: £43,091

Income: £177,195

Expenditure: £166,506

Surplus: £10,688

A HUGE THANK YOU

to all of our passionate volunteers, funders, partners, work placements, management committee and Friends of the Ecocentre

Help us and be part of our future plans.

- Developing cycle tuition for people with learning difficulties
- Maximising the Urban Harvest across Birmingham
- Strengthening faith communities to tackle climate change
- Launching the "Move More Eat Well" public health project
- Establishing the bee hives at Allens Cross Community Garden

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