



FarmingForAll
Community Interest Company

What we deliver

We provide guided activities and training at allotment, farm, outdoor or educational sites for adults and young people.

Typical activities include planting and growing vegetables, farm or conservation work, traditional crafts and building horticultural and outside structures.

Activities are an opportunity for educational learning. Recycling and composting, building bird tables, propagation and plant identification activities can be curriculum linked. Certificates can be offered for any formal training to demonstrate progress and commitment.



Who we are

We are a Not-For-Profit Company dedicated to the vision of using the outdoors as an effective means of improving physical, mental and emotional well being.

Who we support

Experiences in the outdoors have been shown to benefit those experiencing social or educational exclusion, learning difficulties, mental health issues or those recovering from drug addiction.



How participants benefit

Our managed outdoor activities enable participants of any ability to experience nature related activities in a supportive framework that is designed to engage and inspire.

By creating an environment that offers a regular routine, in a non-academic and low stress situation participants regain self-esteem, learn social, team working and communication skills. This builds confidence in their interactions with others and in their own capabilities.

“Our mission is to make a positive difference to the lives of vulnerable individuals who are experiencing social and educational exclusion, by providing meaningful experiences in a natural environment, and to help them grow to become confident, well balanced individuals who are socially included”

Cultivating Confidence!

Yes, it does work!

Research from the University of Essex and the mental health charity, MIND demonstrates that outdoor activities offer significant benefits in physical and mental health.

The Department of Children, Schools and Families recognise that outdoor experiences encourage personal development and have produced guidelines encouraging schools to provide outdoor learning opportunities.

Furthermore, a report by the West Mercia Constabulary highlights successes seen in a Criminal Intervention Project through training Offenders in the outdoors.

www.mind.org.uk/mindweek2007/report/

www.teachernet.gov.uk/teachingandlearning/resource/materials/outsideclassroom

www.lcjb.cjsonline.gov.uk/West%20Mercia/2094.html

How activity sessions are built

Activity sessions are tailored to the needs of a specific group and can be developed as intervention, engagement or diversionary projects. We work closely with the referring organisation to maximise the benefit to their clients



Where activities are based

We are based in Watford but work in areas around Hertfordshire. We have our own allotment site providing access to both open ground and poly-tunnel facilities.

We also can deliver our outdoor based services on client provided locations such as school or housing association land.

Local conservation or farm sites are available on request.

In addition to outdoor activities, we provide internal craft based options for delivery at a client's location.

Who commissions our activities?

Referring organisations can be any statutory and non-statutory service provider, charity or support organisation whose vulnerable clients would benefit from our services.

How we are funded

We are funded by a mixture of agency, charitable and client based funding. We generally look for clients to share some level of the funding required but will provide fully funded activities and projects where appropriate.



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