

D1 Forestwise

Project Summary	This project trained 16 participants from the Lower Derwent Valley area as Forest Schools Leaders. The client groups were mainly young people from Early Years, Primary and Secondary age phases but may have also included family learning and adults with specific needs as appropriate.	
Lead Organisation	Derbyshire County Council – Environmental Studies Service	
Partners	Derbyshire Wildlife Trust Derbyshire County Council – Conservation and Design and Countryside Services teams. Grith Pioneers owners of Shining Cliff Woods Lindley Educational Trust Forest School Training Provider •Local schools	
Location	Lower Derwent Valley	
Duration of project	April 2014 – March 2016 Yrs 1-2	
Total cost of project	£20,996.00	
Volunteer time	£1,000.00	
In-kind time	-	
Outputs	<p>Original target</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 participants trained as Level 3 Forest School Practitioners • Total 96 hours Forest School delivered in an outdoor and woodland environment with a client group • 100 to 240 young people going to sessions 	<p>Achieved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 participants trained as Level 3 Forest School Practitioners • 130 hours of Forest School delivered in an outdoor and woodland environment with a client group • 957 young people going to sessions
Headlines/added value	<p>No. of schools engaged – 24</p> <p>The learning from this project is still having a positive effect on school children as the practitioners continue to share their learning and engage with new pupils.</p>	
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B2 An <i>increased public understanding</i> of the value of the landscape, and of the need for it to be conserved and restored • B3 Increased <i>engagement and capacity among landowners and communities</i> to care for the landscape in the long term • C4 <i>Increased opportunities</i> for access as part of <i>formal education</i> (through schools), fostering the conservationists of the future 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• D2 Opportunities for <i>local people to develop skills</i> to enable them to engage with their local landscape and its conservation, and benefit from personal development and improved employment prospects
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