



Enriching lives, transforming places

Impact Report

2016 - 2017

The **real** difference that Stroud Valleys Project makes to lives and places

The aim of Stroud Valleys Project is to protect and enhance the local environment by working with local communities to embrace sustainable development and biodiversity, and so to make Stroud area a better, healthier place in which to live.

148 volunteers gave 859 days of their time



working to improve 36 sites across Stroud District

Stroud Valleys Project provides a safe open and supportive environment which encourages volunteers to participate.



We offer a variety of events and activities, reaching out to young and old as well as those cut off from such activities by disadvantage or disability.

- We created 6 new walk leaflets.
- We organised 32 community events.
- We worked in partnership with 35 organisations.
- We have found newts in two ponds we have restored or created this year and can report increased great crested newt populations at our Kingswood site as a result of our work.

Our work relies on volunteers who create, restore and enhance green spaces throughout the Stroud district.

- We use our local environment to engage people in teamwork and more active lives.
- 75% of participants on our wellbeing group said they felt more confident and less isolated as a result of working outdoors with us.

“Thank you for your warm and friendly leadership. We all really enjoyed working with you and by the end of the day we all felt a strong sense of belonging to the area and that we were your team.”

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This work supports stronger, healthier, more active communities.



This year we have focussed on widening our activities and increasing local involvement in our work. This has been possible due to the support of funders, trustees, volunteers, our staff, friends, and all the organisations we work in partnership with. Our community is growing and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all they have done to make it happen. We are looking forward to next year which will be our 30th Anniversary.

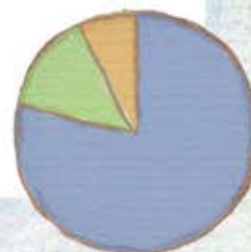
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Chief Executive

Annual Income 2017
£166,798



- 65% Charitable Activities
- 27% Donations
- 8% Other

Annual Expenditure 2017
£156,900



- 79% Charitable Activities
- 13% General Fundraising
- 8% Other

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