

Dartmouth Caring Gardening Project

August 2018

Naturesave very kindly donated £1,000 towards our project to develop new raised beds in the town for the use of the public, our clients and those referred through our new social prescribing initiative.

1The volunteers from Dartmouth Green Partnerships and Britannia Royal Naval College take a break during



The completed raised beds ready for use.



Our aims for the project were to enable three key groups in our town opportunities to garden.

1. For those with physical needs, frequently through old age, an opportunity to work with plantings in raised beds,
2. For our elderly clients that now live in flats with no garden of their own, to give them a chance to get involved, in a small way, once again.
3. To provide us with an opportunity to offer gardening through social prescribing either to help out or to volunteer.

The most difficult element of our work was securing a site. The initial site chosen was agreed prior to bidding but then fell through due to local changes in health care provision.

Subsequently we secured the site through work with Dartmouth Town Council and last week the beds were completed.

We now look forward getting on with the work, as do many of our clients!