

Incredible Edible Project– *Transition Town Totnes*

Incredible Edible has been operating as a volunteer led flag-ship project of Transition Town Totnes for over 10 years, and currently manages several publicly accessible growing sites around the market Town of Totnes. Locations include the local park, and a children’s play area all of which are managed by teams of local volunteers. A variety of vegetables, fruits, herbs, and edible flowers are grown at each site. The project also cares for around 200 fruit and nut trees on public land. The sites aim to engage the general public by informing them about what’s growing and encouraging them to learn about the ecosystems around the growing sites. Residents and visitors are encouraged to help themselves to the seasonal herbs and vegetables that grow in the beds with a view to catalysing conversations around and raising awareness of the social, economic and environmental benefits of local seasonal food and caring for our environment.

Incredible Edible also aims to engage the local community in growing food and providing education about, and connection to the local environment. In the past, we have held regular community events across our sites including autumn apple pressing, pruning workshops, and family fun days. We’ve previously piloted work with local schools, including working with a primary school to map all the fruit and nut trees in the area (linking to geography in the national curriculum) whilst educating pupils about caring for trees and orchards and the biodiversity surrounding them. It is this educational element of the project that we would like to expand in order to help educate children and young people in horticulture, rural skills, biodiversity and the related issue of climate change.



Thanks to Nature Save we are now able to equip our volunteer teams with much needed tools, equipment, seeds and plants which will be used to maintain existing growing sites and also construct a new site at Totnes Train station.

Future plans include expanding the project by recruiting a Youth Worker to enable more schools and youth groups to benefit from our sites. We hope our new tools and equipment will therefore also benefit these

To find out when and where our gardening sessions are held, contact info@transitiontowntotnes.org