

# Farm to City 2023: From Dartmoor to You

5th – 10th June, 2023



*Where two communities come together, great things happen*



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## Background and project summary

**The Shallowford Trust is based at East Shallowford Farm, just outside Widecombe in the Moor, Dartmoor. Our vision is that:**

*'young people from all walks of life, religious, ethnic or social background, who have a poverty of experience in rural affairs and environmental learning opportunities, engage positive change through courses that challenge their assumptions and norms of behaviour, to catalyse a more responsible and productive future for themselves, their community and our environment.'*

In short, young people, mostly urban based are given amazing opportunities to engage with farming and nature, to immerse and enjoy.

“It’s on this connection that the future of both humanity and the natural world will depend. And it is, surely, our responsibility to do everything within our power to create a planet that provides a home not just for us, but for all life on Earth.” Sir David Attenborough.

The Shallowford Trust was born from its historic connection with Providence House Youth Club in Battersea, London. These two charities share the same founder, Elizabeth Braund MBE. Elizabeth Braund founded Providence House in 1963 for the young people of Battersea, later realising that these same children had little to no opportunities to connect with the rural environment, many never left central London. These observations inspired her to purchase East Shallowford Farm in 1976 with her colleague Rosemary Bird. Since then, generations of young people and their families from Battersea have benefitted from life enhancing, life changing residential visits to the farm.

Although the impact of these farm visits has had a profound effect on many, it remains true that for many members of the community there is still a disconnect from nature and farming. The reality of this divorce from nature inspired the Shallowford Trust to develop a five-day pop-up farm event at Providence House. Through this one event it was hoped to reach many people who would not otherwise gain the opportunity to visit the Dartmoor farm itself, to inspire the next generation of visitors to Dartmoor National Park and the wider countryside of the United Kingdom, whilst engendering a sense of awe and wonder.

A previous, similar, but much smaller event was held in 2018, hosting approximately 850 visitors with no additional partner activities. For the 2023 event by inviting other organisations to collaborate in the range of activities, the Trust hoped that the event would have greater educational impact and create opportunities to increase partnership working not only on Dartmoor, but also between Dartmoor and London.

# Aims and objectives

- To raise awareness and create stronger connections between the Battersea community, farming and nature within the context of Dartmoor National Park.
- To inform and inspire curiosity and enthusiasm about farming and the natural world.
- To create stronger connections between Dartmoor, the Shallowford Trust and the youth community of Battersea whilst encouraging the next generation of visitors to Shallowford Farm and Dartmoor National Park.

The event aimed to engage with a total of 1,500 members of the Wandsworth Community; 1,200 young people and 300 members of the public.

The 'Farm to City' pop up farm took place over five days in June 2023. Prior to the event the Engagement Officer attended schools to introduce the young people to the farm, Dartmoor, the idea of the pop up farm event and to answer questions. In September the team delivered a 'free Teacher-Leader Taster Weekend' at East Shallowford Farm, where leaders from schools and youth groups from London and Bristol were able to sample the residential experiences that the Shallowford Trust offers, with the aim of encouraging further group engagement.



# Farm to City 2023: outputs

The small team who delivered this event with amazing support from partners and volunteers felt a huge sense of achievement and satisfaction. Outputs included:

- **Delivery of a Pop up Farm – 5 days – Providence House 6th – 10th June 2023**
- **16 Activity Stations - from farm animals to peatland restoration**
- **2,009 visitors - 1225 young people, 784 members of wider community**
- **20 group visits involving 12 schools**
- **12 partners – a mix from Devon and London**
- **1,262 volunteer hours donated in kind**
- **One royal visitor, HRH the Duchess of Edinburgh**
- **Staff and volunteer team of 71**
- **Strong media interest – Radio 4 and Radio Devon. BBC London and Spotlight. Several local newspapers in Devon and London**
- **Two residential visits booked and six enquiries for residential visits to East Shallowford Farm, as a result of the project**
- **One clear message from partners and teachers is powerful: how do we facilitate more opportunities for inner city communities to connect with nature and farming in our National Parks?**
- **One clear message from the children and the community: thank you for coming**



# Management of the project

## The Team

The project was overseen by a small Steering Group comprised of Shallowford and Providence staff members and a volunteer who pulled the bid together. It was chaired by the Chair of the Shallowford Trust who is also a trustee at Providence House and lives in London.

An Engagement Officer, hosted by The Shallowford Trust and part funded by the FiPL grant, was appointed to deliver the project. Additional administrative support was provided by Providence House and the Shallowford Trust, also part funded through the FiPL grant.

The extensive logistical demands, which ranged from identifying accommodation for the various visitors in London, ensuring legal compliance, purchasing tickets, developing systems, formalizing agreements for funding, delivery of materials and managing expectations for all contributors and beneficiaries, as well as management of the overall budget, took a huge amount of time and coordination. The appointment of the Engagement Officer providing additional and dedicated hours to this project was crucial to its success.

**The contribution from various individuals showed true collaboration at its very best, with people networking to support marketing, recruitment of skilled collaborators for project delivery, identification of different groups in London and ensuring legal compliance for the delivery of such a complex event. The collaboration of staff in London and Devon was crucial to the smooth running of the event and ensured that liaison with all partners was effective and efficient.**

**The Engagement Officer identified potential partners and additional funding sources; coordinated and managed contracts; monitored budgets and ensured delivery against key milestones. The Engagement Officer spent time in Devon and London with a key responsibility to build and nurture new and existing partnerships across the two areas. The Shallowford Trust Farm Manager pulled in resources and contacts to enable a smooth event, maintaining exemplary animal standards whilst taking the burden of much of the practical logistical requirements. The Providence House team networked extensively to identify beneficiary contacts to enjoy the event, but also secured local volunteer support staff to ensure a smooth and efficient project delivery.**



## Volunteers

The event would not have been possible without the support of volunteers who ranged from technical skills helping to write the funding application and steer the project; volunteers from the Providence House community who worked every day supporting the activity leaders and helping host and manage the school and community groups around the event carousel and a number of the Dartmoor farmers volunteered their time to deliver activities at the event. Both in Devon and Wandsworth this shows the value that many people place on community engagement, learning and sharing between communities with some of the Providence House volunteers taking annual leave to support the event.

In total a conservative estimation of 1,262 volunteer hours were given to this event based on a rate of £15 per hour this is valued at £18,930.

The Providence House team provided approx. 560 volunteer hours totalling £8,400.

**Volunteer and in-kind support:** Devon farmers provided time that was difficult to calculate but conservatively amounted to 36 days at £150/day total £5,400. South West Water, Peatland Partnership donated 105 hours, Dartmoor National Park staff donated 117 hours, with Butterfly Conservation providing 116 hours. Foundation for Common land donated 80 hours with 192 hours provided by a broad range of general volunteers from Devon. Without this amazing support, the entire event could never have taken place. A small and humble thank you gives no service to the effort and support provided.





## Timeline

The project took 12 months to plan and deliver, helped significantly by lessons learned from the smaller 2018 event.

**Planning started in Autumn 2022:** Initial conversations with Wandsworth Council (Environmental Health, Highways, parking and local councillors), Fire and Rescue Services and the Police to ensure 'in-principle' support.

**November 2022:** Firm up proposals with Wandsworth Council, including Environmental Health, Fire and Rescue, Police. Confirm veterinary support. Save the date marker to local groups and other interested parties, policy makers, funders etc.

**December 2022:** Complete Animal Welfare Risk Assessments.

**November 2022 to June 2023:** Planning for the event and outreach work.

**Engagement Officer begins 1st April 2023:** Outreach and Engagement with schools in the Wandsworth area to generate interest in the Farm to City Event and introduce Dartmoor, its landscape, nature, heritage and crucially how it is farmed.

**5th – 11th June:** Pop up Farm Event held at Providence House, Clapham Junction. Open to schools and pre-organised groups from Tuesday 6th to Saturday 10th June 2023.

**11th June Open Farm Saturday Community Day:** An opportunity for the general public to attend.

**Mid-June to end July:** Follow up visits with schools and other groups to promote and facilitate future visits to Dartmoor and establish on-going links through social media and other appropriate outlets.

**29th September – 1st October 2023:** Train the leader event based at East Shallowford Farm, Dartmoor. Teachers and youth workers from schools and groups in the Wandsworth area invited to attend a weekend on Dartmoor to whet their appetite to bring future groups.



## Partners

In order for the event to increase its educational impact, and to develop wider connections, a number of partner organisations from London and Dartmoor were invited to collaborate in the project delivery. Some of these partners have worked with the Shallowford Trust on past projects, but a number were new partnerships and new to each other.

Partner organisation	Role
Providence House	Support with administration, recruitment of school, youth and other groups, provision of staff and volunteers. Host to the event
Foundation for Common Land	Support with planning and delivery of an activity station
Dartmoor National Park Authority	Support with planning, PR and delivery of an activity station
South West Peatland Partnership	Delivery of an activity station
Butterfly Conservation – London	Delivery of educational activities in the lead up to the event with young people at Providence House and delivery of an activity station
Art and Energy	Delivery of an activity station
Waste Not Want Not – Battersea	Catering for the event and delivery of an activity station
Farmers from Dartmoor	Support with delivery of activity stations
Wandsworth Council	Support with planning and delivery of an activity station
Dartmoor Hill Farm Project	Delivery of an activity station
Red Tractor	Support with PR
Central Dartmoor Farm Cluster	Support with planning and delivery, including nine Dartmoor Farmers
Don Bosco (Salesians)	Provided accommodation locally for our volunteers and team members

One of the key ambitions was to create new partnerships and relationships. Feedback from the partners showed that this had been more than achieved with all organisations attending the event benefiting from shared experiences and a huge sense of community achievement. The wider delivery team which included both staff and volunteers became a strong community supporting each other to ensure a smooth and fulfilling event for those delivering and attending.

## Budget

The project would not have been possible without external funding with a significant grant from Defra's Dartmoor Farming in Protected Landscapes Scheme enabling the project to go ahead and helping to secure additional donor support. Of 12 partners, six were cash funders and the remainder providing in kind support in one way or another.

The budget was well planned and most elements were delivered within budget. There was a significant overspend in the transportation costs due to a greater number of partners than expected taking part in the event. However, this was regarded as a success with the overspend balanced by a significant underspend in the accommodation budget line due to the support of a local partner, who provided accommodation for the team for a minimal fee and as an in-kind contribution.

Please see Appendix for details.

# Delivery, outputs and outcomes

## The Event

A schedule of bookings for the event from schools and groups of various ages and needs was developed in advance, with four school assemblies being delivered and two meetings in youth groups delivered prior to the pop-up farm event to encourage and enthuse the young people. Local connections through Providence House helped enlist schools and likewise positive memories of the last event in 2018 helped inspire confidence that this would be a safe, stimulating and worthwhile activity for the young people.

## Schedule of delivery

1st June 23	Thursday	Van & DNP trailer to London. Pre-visit site inspection.
2nd June 23	Friday	Local veterinary inspector assesses animals for transport, and sign approval. Tractor delivered to London from CR Wilcoxs Handover of East Shallowford Farm responsibilities to local help.
5th June 23	Sunday	Final load-up of animals, vehicle & departure to London
5th June 23	Monday	Set up of stations, interpretation materials and final preparations for the event. Site inspection from local authority compliance representatives.
6th June 23	Tuesday	First visitors arrive from 9.00 (and continue throughout the week on daily programme of morning, afternoon and evening sessions).
7th June 23	Wednesday	Visit from HRH Duchess of Edinburgh
8th June 23	Thursday	VIP Evening: 6.30 welcome for 7.30 programme
9th June 23	Friday	Shallowford on Farming Today: BBC Radio 4 Featured on BBC News: London
10th June 23	Saturday	Open Day for all local community
11th June 23	Sunday	Staff and livestock return to west country from London Featured on BBC News: Spotlight
13th June 23	Tuesday	Last trip by Shallowford Trust Farm Manager to London to collect remaining items before rented van returned



## Communications and building a team

Daily morning briefings were held to ensure all activity staff/volunteers were aware of events throughout the day and who to expect. This was an opportunity to share feedback and stories, ensure the team were happy and deal with any issues. The number, variety and speed of groups moving around the activity stations was intense so it was important to look after the team. A cooked nutritious breakfast and lunch was provided by Waste Not Want Not Battersea in their food hub, adjacent to the event.



## Activities

The event consisted of 16 activity stations divided into three zones around the Providence House building and forecourt. Activities were designed to be educational and interactive, combining to provide visitors with a flavour of the smells, feelings and life of farming and conservation on Dartmoor. During the days for local schools and youth groups, visiting organisations were split into smaller groups of approximately ten young people per activity who would spend around six minutes at each station. During the community day, this was run on a more ad hoc basis with visitors moving between stations as they wished, led by Farm to City escorts.

Activity	Associated Partner	Description
<b>Meeting calves</b>	Shallowford Trust	Opportunity for close interaction with two dairy calves and to talk to farmers about cattle grazing and its role in conservation
<b>Meeting ewes and lambs</b>	Shallowford Trust	Opportunity for close interaction with two ewes and their lambs and to talk to farmers about sheep grazing and their role in conservation as well the value of wool
<b>Meeting pigs</b>	Shallowford Trust	Opportunity for close interaction with four young pigs and to talk to farmers about their role in conservation grazing
<b>Tractor experience</b>	Shallowford Trust	Opportunity to sit on a real tractor and to learn about how valuable these machines are to farmers
<b>Composting</b>	Waste Not Want Not Battersea	Learn about the importance of composting and this can be carried out at home or in school. Learning about which materials are compostable
<b>Bury the Giant</b>	Art and Energy	Discover the importance of sphagnum moss and how it helps to combat climate change. Making mossy pom poms that contribute towards a larger piece of community art
<b>Wildflowers and pollinators</b>	Shallowford Trust	See living examples of different wildflower species (hay meadow in a box and rhos pasture in a box), learn the names of some of the flowers and learn why they are important supporters of pollinators
<b>Apple pressing</b>	Shallowford Trust	Have a go at apple pressing using traditional methods and tasting the freshly pressed apple juice
<b>Wool spinning</b>	Shallowford Trust	Learn what a valuable product wool is and learn how to hand spin yarn. Young people made wool bracelets to take home
<b>Climate pledges</b>	Wandsworth Council	Make a pledge to combat climate change in their local area, either at home or at school
<b>Meeting day old chicks</b>	Shallowford Trust	Opportunity to have a close interaction with day old chicks and learn about their husbandry
<b>Meeting Poultry</b>	Shallowford Trust	Opportunity to have a close interaction with different types of poultry – identify and discuss the differences between them
<b>Comparing commons</b>	Foundation for Common Land	Identify the differences and similarities between the commons of Dartmoor and London. Discuss, what is a common? Why are they important?
<b>Butterfly lifecycles</b>	Butterfly Conservation	Look at the lifecycle stages of caterpillars and how they are adapted to survival
<b>Importance of peatlands</b>	South West Peatland Partnership	Discover why are peatlands important using an interactive display to demonstrate how they slow the flow of water. Opportunities to touch and smell peat soil
<b>Sensational Dartmoor</b>	Dartmoor National Park Authority	Discover Dartmoor through a series of sensory activities such as feely boxes and singing granite

## Interpretation materials

Each evening after visitor closing, the 'farmyard' was cordoned off with heras fencing on which a large banner illustrating scenes of Dartmoor, farming and the work undertaken by key partners was secured. This information was seen by thousands, as they walked to and from work and played a dual role of protecting the animals throughout the night.

At each activity station there were pop-up banners with clear and useful information about the subject, all of these will be used again by one or more of the partners. Each group leader was given a teacher's pack as well as an online information, to enable follow up activities and discussion in class.

The Dartmoor National Park Information Trailer was open on the broad pavement outside the 'farmyard' to supply interesting and useful information to passers-by.

One of distinct improvements from the 2018 version of this event, was the range of materials available for further use.



## Community impact

The original target for engagement for the event was 1,500 people (1,200 young people and 300 members of the public). By the end of the event, this target had been well exceeded, with a total of 2,009 people passing through the temporary farm gate. **1,225 young people** visited the event over the four days set aside exclusively for schools and youth groups with a further **784 members of the community visiting on the open day**.

In reality, the full impact was far beyond mere targeted group numbers. Due to the event being located on a major thoroughfare to Clapham Junction (one of the busiest stations in Britain), everyday thousands of local community members passed by on their daily commutes to work and school. Many stopped to take pictures, make video calls to show others, and asked questions over the fence. Staff and volunteers noted a visible lift in their mood on seeing such an unusual sight. People enquired about the animals asking all sorts of questions, whilst others tentatively asked about the farm and Dartmoor.



## Schools and youth groups

1,225 young people attended the event from local schools and youth groups ranging from nursery groups up to 15 years of age. To further the educational impact of the event, all those who had booked to attend were offered a pre-event school visit from the Engagement Officer. These visits took the shape of whole school assemblies or smaller group talks where some context about Dartmoor National Park was given (Where is it? Why is it special? What is its history?) as well as some information about what activities to expect whilst visiting the pop-up farm. **During the event itself, partner feedback indicated that the groups who had received these pre visit assemblies came to the event armed with interesting questions about Dartmoor and its wildlife, which aided their activity delivery and created more talking points.**

For many of the young people it was evident that this was the first up-close encounter with livestock and topics of practical conservation. Anecdotes shared by partners at the end of each day illustrated a huge learning – a young boy stroked one of the dairy calves and asked “what breed of dog is this?”, others were shocked by how firm and bristly the piglets were. When looking at the peat one young person asked, “why does the moss smell like frogs?”. The activities also inspired curiosity and questions such as “do you think that caterpillars know that they’re going to become butterflies”.

Teachers were asked for feedback after the event in the form of an online questionnaire. These responses were fundamental in determining the impact of the event on the young people that attended. **Leaders indicated the majority of the young people that attended had little exposure to farming and/or nature in their day to day lives, and that they believed through attending this event a stronger sense of connection to conservation and farming was gained.**

Of the 11 leaders that responded to the feedback, when asked if the event would have been accessible had it been chargeable, eight indicated that it would not have been, with the remaining 3 answering ‘maybe’. A teacher reported to one of the partners that this event was the only school trip their class had been on this year due to funding being so restricted. Had it not been free, they would not have been able to attend. **This emphasises the importance of funding to enable the provision of these free events for young people.**

The overall indication of success was demonstrated by the response to the question “we currently don’t have plans to repeat the event, but if we were able to, would you consider coming again?” to which 92% of those who responded answered yes. As we write this in January 2024, we have already had several enquiries as to whether FARM TO CITY is coming back in 2024!

*“All of the children in my class thoroughly enjoyed the event and I felt that it was organised and run excellently. The various activities/broad range of information available to the children was fantastic. It was the best event I have attended whilst being a teacher. Thank you for your hard work!”*

*“We loved our visit to the farm. The class didn’t have any exposure to farming or animals before, so it was a great experience for them to have.”*



## Community Day

The Community Day was open to all and free of charge. This day attracted 784 members of the local community, the majority of whom were young families. The buzz in the community on this day was notable, with many families staying for several hours, asking questions and re-touring each activity to learn a little more. **Partners saw a number of young people return with their families to share the experiences they had enjoyed with school.**

This day not only had a positive impact on the Battersea community, which is highlighted in the evaluation video, but also on the partners that attended through the sharing of cultural knowledge. The member of staff leading the hand wool spinning station delighted in being shown a different method of spinning by two ladies from different cultures – totally different techniques which she had not seen before. Some shared their knowledge of livestock from their home countries and simply enjoyed being able to share memories, ideas and experience the moment.



## Partnership

The strong partnership working of those that came together to deliver this event was fundamental to its success. Not only was the educational context extended, broadening the learning for each group, but the legacy of engagement between each organisation has led to stronger connections that will create legacy projects. It is hoped that these relationships will also continue to strengthen the connection between the Dartmoor and Battersea communities.

Inspired by Farm to City, Providence House and Butterfly Conservation, developed a project based on butterflies and moths that was delivered to the young people at Providence House in the lead up to the event. This then led to a wider project of these same young people choreographing a butterfly inspired dance which was performed at the Farm to City VIP evening and then later at the Royal Academy of Dance.

Feedback was sought from partners during a zoom meeting and through an online survey, indicating that partners thoroughly enjoyed and valued the event. New audiences were reached, away from Dartmoor and Devon with a much broader ethnic diversity. Providence House reported that although the event didn't give them access to any specifically new audiences, it did help to solidify and nourish their existing relationships with local schools and youth groups.

All nine delivery partners confirmed that they would be interested in taking part in the event or a similar one in the future.



## Royal visit

On the second day of the event, HRH the Duchess of Edinburgh arrived at 9.00am accompanied by the newly appointed Mayoress of Wandsworth. The Duchess and Mayoress were given a tour of all the activities, where they observed and encouraged the young people who were scheduled to visit at the time. The Duchess also spoke with a number of the partners and volunteers, asking in detail about their contributions to the event and its impact. This visit attracted significant media attention and raised both the credibility and profile of the event.

The Duchess had previously attended an open day at East Shallowford Farm in May 2022 where she was requested to officially 'Open' the new buildings which had been converted to expand the Trust's activities in both the South West and towards London. The Duchess' attendance at the London event was an excellent opportunity to showcase the impact that the Trust can have on wider audiences across the country. The Duchess was highly complimentary in her review of the event as demonstrated in the letter of thanks received after her visit (see Appendix 3, p.37).



## VIP evening

The Thursday evening was set aside for a VIP event. Invitations were sent to local MPs, donors (both past and potential), beneficiaries and partners. The intention was to allow opportunities to network, encourage legacy partnerships as well as promoting the message of the Farm to City event combined with the work of the Shallowford Trust and other partners.

**Young people from Providence House Youth Club acted as hosts and distributed a finger buffet to guests, with food once again provided by Waste not Want Not Battersea exemplifying the level of local community buy-in and opportunity for young people to increase confidence and learn new skills .**

The evening allowed partners to showcase their projects including the art work and choreographed dance that had been inspired by the project between Providence House and Butterfly Conservation. This dance was subsequently performed at the Royal Academy of Dance. Art and Energy has been requested to provide training for the Ernest Cook 'OWLS' (Outdoor Weeks of Learning) programme, with the aim of expanding nature immersion with young people.

This evening event sparked interesting conversations about the importance of providing inner city communities with opportunities to connect with nature and farming, and how more opportunities should be created to inspire and engage. The repeated message being that the benefit of the Providence House – Shallowford Trust relationship for young people is evident, but how can this be expanded to others?

The evening consisted of opportunities to see and experience the different activity stations, a series of talks and interviews and a performance from the young people of Providence House. The evening was compered by BBC presenter Charlotte Smith, and local MP, Marsha de Cordova gave a talk that underlined the unique value of this city-country partnership.



## Publicity

The publicity surrounding the event was strong including coverage by Radio 4's Farming Today, a spotlight feature on BBC London, BBC Spotlight and BBC Radio Devon. This coverage fundamentally increased the profile of the event and no doubt had a strong part to play in the good numbers of attendance on the community open day.

Such publicity is critical in raising the profile of the Shallowford Trust and the other partners involved in the event whilst importantly inspiring conversation on the value of outdoor education, immersion in nature and including the environment and agriculture.

Banners were placed at night time around the heras fencing to keep the animals sleeping in the carpark protected and relatively quiet. The banners were printed with ideas, concepts and pictures to inform people walking past not only about the event but with details on various projects for future engagement. The children were also given post cards with Dartmoor pictures in the hope of inspiring and encouraging curiosity. All this form of gentle, 'local' and temporary publicity gained very favourable feedback.



## Teacher-Leader Taster Weekend

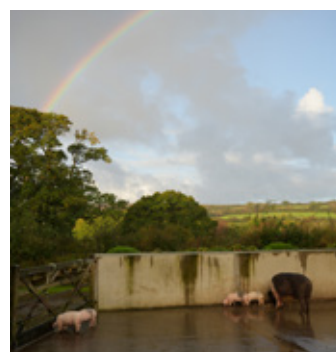
The Teacher Taster Weekend was planned for arrival on Friday 29th September through to Sunday 1st October. The original concept had been to provide three nights, with arrival on the Thursday. However, following planning discussions, no staff were able to take the time out of work, so Friday night became the agreed arrival time. Six leaders from three organisations working with young people and one school in Wandsworth, London and six leaders from one school in Bristol accepted the invitation. Although the Bristol school had already visited in the previous July, one member of staff envisaged an extension of the programme by encouraging senior leadership to gain more understanding of the learning benefits.

A programme was put together similar to a standard residential two-night schedule, starting with feeding the animals at 8.00, followed by breakfast, a farming session with the Farm Manager at Broadaford (sheep sorting and vaccination), a river exploration and opportunities to think, explore and ask questions about how a residential would work for their groups. The weekend was led by the Shallowford team with support from Providence House workers.

At the time of going to print, three group visits have been booked for 2024 as a result of this weekend with on-going discussions with a fourth organisation.

### Attendance at the Teacher-Leader Taster Weekend

Location	Organisation	Category	No. People
London	School from Wandsworth	Special Needs	2
	Local Authority Youth Centre	Special Needs	2
	Youth Charity from Wandsworth	Youth Group	1
	School from Wandsworth	Secondary School	1
Bristol	Secondary School	Secondary School	6



## Lessons learned

**Team approach and dedicated staff:** Delivering an event on this scale was a large and extensive undertaking for the small team at the Shallowford Trust. The support of partners, the strong relationship with Providence House and the grant funding enabling dedicated staff time made it possible.

**Demand:** The project and feedback from teachers has shown that there is clear demand for good quality, safe and free events to help schools provide opportunities to explore the natural world. However, part of the success of this project is the Providence House partnership that is embedded in the local community and opened doors for permissions, funding and promoting confidence to neighbourhood schools as a trusted partner. There is scope to build on this model further and it is something that requires further testing with new partners in new locations as the impact is truly special.

**Interpretation Materials:** The information panels were very well received and provided a good balance in favour of images and few words. Finding photos of the right quality proved difficult at the start of the project and delayed delivery of this element of the project. The Trust needs to ensure that a good source of high quality images suitable for printing at a large scale is available for any future events.

**Core Team:** The core Shallowford Trust team who participated in the event consisted of only five team members – a relatively small organisational group for such a large event. The initial planning and coordination were a considerable undertaking, the majority of which was carried out by the Engagement Officer and Farm Manager who had other responsibilities during the planning and post-delivery period. In future it would be beneficial to have the dedicated staff time for a full year and opportunity to provide practical support for the Farm Manager in the weeks prior to and after the event.

**Transportation:** of all the necessary equipment from Devon to Providence House in London was undertaken voluntarily by the Farm Manager. In hindsight too many trips took place in a very short period of time with only one driver, causing strain and burden that could have been spread across a greater number of team members.

**Forward Planning:** All partners were well briefed and experienced in activity delivery. Days generally started at 8.00 and were completed by 6.00 with rotations being undertaken by those with other commitments throughout the week. The two key staff, Engagement Officer and Farm Manager took on a huge responsibility and undertook the strain of problem solving that inevitably arises with such large coordination. Much thanks were given by all for the huge effort they gave both in the run-up and throughout the event itself.

**Follow-up:** with the schools and groups that visited would inevitably be difficult within the same academic year, as the event was held in the summer term of 2023. Funding was budgeted for a team member to visit schools post event but given the timing of the Pop up Farm it was difficult to achieve this before term ended. Funding was not available across the 2023/24 academic year and hence opportunities to build on-going relationships, follow-up learning, answer questions and embed any positive concepts has proved difficult.

**As a learning point from this Project one of the Shallowford Team now regularly visits London to meet planned visiting groups and build new relationships. However, time is limited and ideally there would be a dedicated post working equally between London and Devon to develop future opportunities.**

## Lessons learned from Partners

A zoom meeting was held to gather group feedback from partners on 19th July, five weeks after the event, with additional individual discussions occurring naturally.

**Good networking and reach:** Partners felt that the number of engagements with individuals and groups were higher than expected and that good opportunities for networking and developing partnerships proved both enjoyable and profitable. The event included a considerably more ethnically diverse audience than would be normal in Devon providing interesting discussions and even more learning for the partners as activity providers.

**Longer activity sessions:** One recurring theme from the partners was the feeling that activities would have been more impactful had more time with each group been available. This should therefore be taken into consideration in the planning of the next event where perhaps there could be fewer activity stations but more time at each station, or more time given per group. Partners felt that their sessions were at times rushed and therefore they couldn't deliver their message as effectively as envisaged.

Partners also indicated that the variation in the groups was good due to the wide audience reached. However, as the composition and needs of the groups varied considerably, the time slots did not reflect learning needs, making it difficult to pitch and provide the necessary time needed for each type of group. In future, the Trust will therefore try to identify specific days for specific types of groups, making the necessary time for better engagement and learning.

**Information:** Partners also commented that the pre and post event material was heavily weighted towards the animals meaning they didn't receive as much representation as they would have liked. Briefs for future contracts need to reflect the breadth of activities and recognise equal importance for all partners.





# Legacy

## A springboard

The Shallowford Trust is determined that this Farm to City shouldn't be a one-off, stand alone event, but that it should act as a springboard for future projects and relationships. The event has not only had an impact on those that attended it, but on those who delivered it. The Trust hopes that this project has opened doors to future projects and collaborations both within Dartmoor and between London and Dartmoor.

## A lasting Impact

The inspired curiosity and knowledge in the young people that took part in the event will leave a lasting impression and we hope will encourage individuals to build on this to connect more readily with the natural spaces, perhaps visiting Dartmoor, recognising and remembering some of what has been learned at the event. One of the young people from Providence House who attended the pre-event dance workshops visited Shallowford Farm two months later as part of a family camping holiday. Whilst visiting, the Devon Moth Group carried out a moth survey, allowing visitors to come and watch. This young person looked at one of the moths, saying with great excitement, "I remember this one! It's an elephant hawkmoth! The lady at Providence House showed me", she was notably excited and proud that she was able to correctly identify the moth and was greatly applauded by those around her. This demonstrates just how impactful events such as Farm to City can be.

## Connecting people

The event has not only left a lasting impression on the urban community of Battersea, but also on the rural community of Dartmoor. Many of the partners have spent much or all of their lives in the rural community and for them, it was eye opener to see the joy that the event brought to those who attended. The sharing of stories and anecdotes from interactions with young people and community members at the end of each day amused many, leading to much sharing and love.



## **New collaborations**

The collaborative effort of all the partners who delivered the project has brought a lot of people together and allowed for the forging of new relationships and opportunities in the future. Art and Energy secured future funding as a result of the networking at the event, whilst the Shallowford Trust has developed relationships with new partners improving the range of activities for the young people who come to stay. This holistic view gives young people an understanding of how farming, land management, conservation and climate change are all interlinked and should not be seen in isolation.

Dartmoor farmers were truly impressed by the impact of the pop-up farm and their welcome by the Wandsworth Community. During the event seeds of a new collaboration between East Shallowford Farm and Dartmoor farmers were sown and in November 2023 another FiPL grant was approved to deliver a joint project, connecting schools and young people in Devon with farms on Dartmoor. This new project 'Food On Your Fork: Nature On The Farm' will see over 500 young people enjoy a visit to one of 10 Dartmoor farms that have signed up to the project. A new partnership has been developed with Educatering (a Devon based company supplying wholesome and predominantly locally produced school dinners) and some of the partners from Farm to City have also expressed interest in helping to deliver some of the visits.

## **Ongoing relationships with youth groups and schools in Battersea**

As noted above there have been fresh residential bookings for 2024 from leaders who attended the taster weekend. Learning from the pre-event visits delivered for Farm to City, the Shallowford Programme Officer will be visiting both new and known groups in London to help develop future relationships.

The principal officer for the disability group, whose leaders attended the Taster weekend, has expressed interest in a less disabled cohort being able to visit.

Waste not Want not-Battersea who supported the project are planning to bring their Trustees to East Shallowford Farm to broaden the partnership with two other local charitable groups making tentative enquiries.

Two families whose members visited Farm to City have enquired about bringing their extended families for a residential learning experience.

The Programme Officer from Shallowford is now scheduling quarterly visits to Battersea to follow up group interest and to help plan programmes with Providence House and other groups. Should funding become available there could be great benefit in the appointment of a shared worker to develop these interests and engagements jointly managed between Shallowford and Providence.

The Providence House youth team is continuing to network with local groups in Wandsworth, and it is hoped that not only will this develop the interest, but also further the partnership working.

In June 2023, the farm and farmers came to the city. In August 2023, three minibuses of families came from Battersea to East Shallowford. The project was called City to Farm. This is an ongoing collaboration, which with the right support and imagination will continue to enrich the lives of young people and to grow the urban understanding of the protected landscapes, of farming and of the rich heritage that the countryside engenders.

## Appendix 1:

### Groups visiting timetable and planned numbers: 6th – 10th June 2023

Name of Group	Pre-Event Visit Held	Year Group	Number of Visitors
Griffin Primary	N	Year 6	36
Griffin Primary	N	Year 3	22
Griffin Primary	N	Year 1&2	46
Honeywell Primary	Y	Year 4	90
Honeywell Primary	Y	Year 3	90
Thames Christian Coll	N	Year 7	27
Centre Academy	N	KS3/4 SEN	40
Chesterton Primary	Y	Year 3	70
Chesterton Primary	Y	Year 1	72
Alton Primary	Y	Year 6	20
Oak Lodge Secondary	Y	Deaf/autism	12
KLSettlement (Community Group_	N	Elderly	30
KLS Love to Learn	N	Youth	20
Young Carers	N	Youth	10
Sacred Heart Primary	Y	Early Years	33
Oak Lodge Secondary	Y	Deaf/autism	6
Providence House	Y	Juniors	25
Providence House	Y	Juniors	25
Providence House	Y	Adult	
Providence House	Y	Youth	25
Falconbrook Primary	Y	Year 4	30
Falconbrook Primary	Y	Year 5	24
Paddock School	N	KS3/4 SEN	8
Falconbrook Primary	Y	Nursery	26
Falconbrook Primary	Y	Reception	20
Shaftesbury Park Primary	N	Year 4	48
John Burns Primary	Y	Reception	13
St Mary's Primary	N	Yr 6	22
Sacred Heart Primary	Y	Yr 5	54
Sacred Heart Primary	Y	Yr 2	40
Chesterton Primary	Y	Reception	50
Clapham Youth Centre	Y	Juniors	12
Floreat Primary	N	Reception	55
Floreat Primary	N	Yr 2	51
Floreat v	N	Yr 6	38
Francis Barber PRU	N	ASD Base provision and mainstream EHCP	35
<b>Total Number of organised visitors</b>			<b>1,225</b>

**Total number of organisations visiting 20**

**Total number of schools 12**

**Visitors on Community Day: 784**

**Total Number of Visitors: 2,009.**



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 For Us to  
 Look after our animals,  
 birds and insects  
 -butterflies- bees  
 Our plants, meadows,  
 WILD FLOWER meadows  
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## Appendix 2:

### A view from the Junction

# Farm to the City, June 2023

Taken from Robert Musgrave's 'Word for the Day' blog.

The forecourt of Providence House youth club became a farmyard with sheep, piglets, calves and a tractor, just yards from the back of Clapham Junction station on Falcon Road, Battersea.

It was a week in which organised groups of school pupils and youth groups engaged with live animals and learned of their place in the management and conservation of the land. As well as this, inside the two-storey youth club building there was an array of hands-on educational activities to learn about the environment, climate change, conservation, and just plain fun.

### Curiosity

They kept on coming in, school class group after school class group. Perhaps 300 pupils each day, and constant engagement with the curious public that there should be calves and sheep and piglets grazing in the Providence car park so close to Clapham Junction. One couple to our surprise represented part of the early tradition of Providence House and the journey to the farm, having been teachers in Battersea, when the project first began, and being part of the secondary school team that prepared pupils for visits to East Shallowford in the late seventies. BBC Farming Today came to conduct interviews, while BBC London came with their cameras. Needless to say, the four pigs were not in the least interested in smiling for the camera, but rather engaged in their typical flurry of activity, grunting and rooting, and then snug together lying to rest like a line of children playing sardines.

In the sports hall, among other displays the poultry were housed, kept from prying hands, by a roof of netting. Two Indian runner ducks, and three chickens of different breeds. One child stared and stared, eyes widening, and then said that she had never seen a live chicken before.

In the club room, among other displays was a glass tank in which was a mock-up of a boggy patch of ground, out of which were growing typical wetland plants. Orchids, marsh thistle, forget me not, bog bean, various grasses. One child peered at the display, and peered again, and asked whether they were real or artificial. To his surprise and perhaps pleasure he was told they were very real, and had naturally grown. The next part of the conversation led to the importance of wildflowers and pollinators.

I suppose if there is one thing, we wanted visitors to take away then it was a sense of wonder. An awakened curiosity. A wanting to find out more. Something pleasurable and repeatable about engagement with nature. A signposting to a bigger picture. Yes, a bigger picture about our place as stewards in God's good earth; but more an eye opening to God as creator, and we as his creatures, and we as his participants in his great everyday world project.

It is this: *'The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world and all who live in it.'* Psalm 24.1.  
It is also this: *'Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.'* Psalm 150.6.

And perhaps this as well: *'The earth will not continue to offer its harvest, except with faithful stewardship.'* John Paul II.



## Inspiration in sharing

We were a bit more on our toes on the Wednesday. At least initially. The first two dozen young people were smartly dressed pupils, who had walked round from the local secondary school, soon followed by a dozen or so reception children, neat in their red pullovers, who had taken a bus from Lavender Hill. A long snaking line of sixty children appeared along Falcon Road, having walked half a mile from the other end of Battersea, and finally twenty-four children from the far end of the borough from Roehampton; but all were soon engaged in the carousel of learning stations, and the place a-buzz with chatter, and valiant volunteers eagerly sharing their knowledge.

The police were there early, four jolly WPCs walking up and down the road. The two private protection officers arrived, assessed the situation, clocked the procedural questions, and we welcomed the mayor and deputy lieutenant, each with their badges of office brightly displayed.

Then following a call, the road and the pavements were smartly closed, along zipped the motorbike escorts, and HRH the Duchess of Edinburgh stepped out into the Battersea morning sunshine; and following brief introductions, was straight into the event, chatting with children, and talking with partners and volunteers.

An hour of what for us was good PR, for the children we hope a good encounter, many with a photograph that they can take home, and we trust for the duchess was an engaging morning. One hour and she was gone, and children continued to circulate around the various stations. They all left at 11.30, closely followed by the arrival of more groups, at this time some lovely young people with special needs. Another series of large groups at 1pm, followed by smaller groups in the afternoon and early evening, and always a line of spectators leaning over the fence, and the ones and twos that we sneakily let in. At 7.30 the Heras fencing went up to herald a quiet night and to end a long day.

*Lord, Grant us joy in your service, and fellowship in teamwork.*

*Give us inspiration in sharing knowledge, humility in community, and peace in security.*

*And gift us faith, hope and love in all our endeavours, Amen.*



### **Some cameos**

The lady who used to live on the estate behind Providence, and was surprised I was still around, and over and over again kept repeating the good things that were done for her son at the club, and then kept telling everyone who passed about it.

The nanny with a toddler and a push chair, who wanted us to justify what we were doing and questioned the ethics of it all.

The volunteers, both local and from the west country, who have tirelessly laboured hour after hour as another swathe of school children came to follow around the learning stations.

The old man, stick in hand, who came with a group of elderly, and told the farmer he used to drive a big Massey Ferguson in his younger days.

The local councillor who said it was a gap in funding that such projects of city to farm are not more substantially supported.

The MP who spoke at the evening reception and said there was nowhere in London with such a unique partnership of country and town as exists between Providence and Shallowford.

The little boy who sat on the tractor for ages, dreaming perhaps of new adventures, and who cried when he had to come down.

The chance encounter with a woman, with rucksack on her back, en route to the airport, who remembered many visits to the farm, many hours at Providence as a youth, and Sunday School as a child, and who was reminded that she had featured briefly on a BBC film about the farm, and who has since come to faith.

The people in a hurry to the train station and as they turn the corner are taken by surprise, and take a picture and hurry on again to show to someone at work.

For every moment of joy, for every moment of inspiration and appreciation.

## Community

One of our team, who had travelled up from the West Country for the week, was asked what was the thing she was most struck by. She answered immediately – community. A strong sense of warm community that was welcoming to others coming in.

Certainly, the sense of community was strong in the Farm2City. Please God this might be truer and deeper throughout our community.

She certainly would have seen our team community where we were all brought together, from different organisations and backgrounds to work for one common purpose. There was the sense of community where each breakfast and lunch the team sat at tables outside Waste not Want not's centre eating and chatting as the public passed by on the way to and from the station.

There was the moving concourse of local community as teachers brought wave after wave of school children to throng the place, and, open eyed, explore the sights and sounds. There was that other expression of community, where in a very public road hundreds are moving up and down, and cannot fail to notice, or to stop, to take a camera out, or to ask to sneak in to see the animals. There was that community for which Providence House is a hub, and in passing they had to stop. The plumbers who stopped their van and came in. The parent whose school was not attending who came in with his boy. The carer in a local nursery, who when their little group arrived, the first thing she said was that she went to that farm as a young person. The tall man, now working himself with children, who not having been here for many years, and was passing by and stopped to talk with us, who lived as a boy in the tower block that overlooks Providence House. The firemen who pop in each day and passing police officers. The man who asked where to buy grass seed that is good for grazing cows, as he wants to rear cattle in Jamaica. It goes on and on.

*Certainly, the farm to the city was a community draw, a community expression.*

*'O God of Peace, unite our hearts to work together.*

*'O God of Patience, give us patience in all circumstances and all stresses.*





## All quiet

At Providence House it was quiet. I wonder what memory those sheep or calves will have of their time in London. Of the 800 plus visitors who entered the pop-up farm on our community day on Saturday. Of the 1000 school children who over four days followed the farm to city journey led by their teachers. How did they view Her Royal Highness on Wednesday, or the mayor with her chain dangling from her neck. Or even the MP on Thursday night. Or the piglets. How did they take to smiling to the camera, or being interviewed for television. Or perhaps the better question was asked by a child: does the caterpillar know it will become a butterfly? Now there is thought to ponder. Indeed, what does any of us know.

The car park was almost empty. The animals had loaded without much fuss, except for one piglet who was dubious at the transition, and took a couple of attempts to be persuaded to mount the ramp. The spare bales and the hurdles disappeared with the first load, and farmer Will planned to return from Dartmoor Sunday night, and in the morning take away the tractor and hopefully a van full of mucky straw all bagged up in ton bags. Then return again for the last of the equipment and the national park trailer. Meanwhile the Heras fencing remained another day, their promotional screens still hanging resplendent for all to see. Soon it became again a place for cars and the bleat of lambs a distant memory.

Lay aside for a moment the deeper meaning of it all. There is no question that this week brought joy and wonder to hundreds of children. There is no question that hundreds of passers-by and visitors thought it was such a valuable thing. There was one lone person who wished to debate the ethics of it all, while the child in her care ogled at the calves in their pen. There will be time for the next steps and what that week has meant for the partners.





## Diversity

This is a somewhat flippant introduction to a serious point, but the diversity of the Farm2City project even extended to the livestock. The ducks were a pair of Indian Runners. There were two Rhode Island Red chickens, and one Columbian. The piglets were sired by a Welsh boar and Gloucester Old Spot, and the Dartmoor white face ewes have a bit of a New Zealand cross somewhere along the line in their lambs.

I haven't discussed this with them, but I am sure that the half of our team from west country England were impressed with the diversity of community that the project reached out to. The Afro-Caribbean community is always strongly represented at Providence House, but the community day brought a greater number from the British Asian and European communities than usually attend our events.

Diversity isn't a phenomenon to be commented on, but rather a strength to be celebrated and used to good effect. Nor is diversity a bureaucratic box to be checked, or a creed to sign up to. It never was. Rather it is an organic outworking and expression of community.

It is a spiritual principle, and you might say that fundamental to the way God works is diversity and difference. It is not a predictive repetition, nor a Model T Ford production line.

Interestingly, ahead of other youth organisations in Wandsworth in the early seventies, Providence House reflected diversity within its community. Interestingly, ahead of the conscious drive from the National Parks to broaden the range of visitors, East Shallowford has been bringing diverse groups into these quiet valleys for almost 50 years. This continues to be the case with the new school groups attending the farm from Bristol.

I suppose the question for me, for us, is whether the door is ajar or wide open, is whether our arms are wide open, or hesitantly kept in our pockets. The truth is that there is only one answer.

## Distinctiveness

At Providence House we are currently pursuing a path of developing skills and talents for young people, and of seeking to combine creative arts with faith. There are other things too, but of course this Farm to City week has brought out the many layered values and benefits and purposes of that distinctive partnership.

We held a reception on the Thursday evening of that week at Providence House, attended by local politicians, funders, community organisations. There was a forty-five minute presentation, hosted by Charlotte Smith, of BBC Countryfile, in which Providence children performed an engaging dance on the life cycle of the butterfly. There was a short talk on the origins and lasting value of Providence and Shallowford travelling together over 45 years. There was an interview with Phil as a beneficiary and now contributor to the partnership from boy to man. There was a short talk about sowing the seeds for the future, and wanting to position this farm to city, city to farm concept onto a bigger stage. Our local MP closed the evening with a few words.

She said there was nowhere in London where there was such a unique partnership of country and town as exists between Providence and Shallowford. I am glad she said that. It had been commented on in the week by different people several times. It was an endorsement, but also a challenge. How to sustain it, how to grow it, how to make it more prosperous.

It is good to take time to reflect and to review. We all need to do it. Mind you we can slip into a mindset of reviewing as a substitute for doing; but that is another subject – ever reviewing, never doing.



## Common cause

You can go to exhibitions and see a whole array of exhibitors sharing their wares. You can go to conferences and hear a variety of speakers expounding their thinking. Farm to City was some of that and none of that. It was a team. It was a team, some of whom lived together, all of whom eat together, or at least as much as they could in the rotation of a busy day; who went out in the evening together, who were held together in a common cause. It was a team together for a week.



Farm to City was a partnership. If you count the farmers who joined in along with the specific organisations, ranging from close at hand like WNWNB, or farther afield as DNPA, you could probably count fifteen to twenty partners brought together, working together, contributing together, and most importantly enhancing the overall value of the project – together. That week has gone. Going ahead it will be to see how these several partners can keep in touch, keep working together, keep in, in fact, being contributors to a wider purpose of bring the city to the farm.

One of the projects was called, Our Common Cause, the common cause being the conservation of our common lands, from Dartmoor to Wandsworth or Clapham Common; which in itself is an interesting thought.

I like the title, our common cause. We all had a common cause that week, and that was why it worked. It is not to say there were not strains, some hidden, some more obvious. That is always the thing, to keep an eye on where the stresses are that strengthen and the stresses are that break.

Our common cause for Farm to City was not the gospel, although after the daily briefing around the car park in the tractor, as we stood in the morning sunshine, we always began the day with prayer. This was a partnership brought together with shared aspirations about conservation and learning and offers of new experiences, although for some of us there was that deeper gospel bond, or that 'heart of the matter' kind of purpose, that we were signposting to Someone greater. Nevertheless, these were good partnerships, and the trick will be to grow them, and grow them well.

The most enduring partnership, of course, was that of Providence House and East Shallowford, sharing the same founder in Elizabeth Braund, sharing almost five decades of story together; a city to farm partnership since 1976. There is much common cause there. This week cemented that partnership – again. It illustrated it as bright as the midday sun. It brought together large numbers. It brought together partners. It deepened relationships.

There still remains the question, because it always recurs, and it has recurred in every previous decade. How do we grow the partnership? How do we keep it strong? How do we keep it strong, as personnel changes? How do we shape and reshape according to the times? What are the common elements always essential to the prosperity of the partnership?

These are questions for us. They are questions for all of us.

A prayer for our common causes, from the Leonine Sacramentary (AD 440):

*'O God, who in Your loving kindness both begins and finishes all good things, grant that as we glory in the beginnings of Your grace, so we may rejoice in its completion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.'*

## Appendix 3: Letter from HRH Duchess of Edinburgh



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12<sup>th</sup> June 2023

*Dear Robert,*

The Duchess of Edinburgh has asked me to write to convey her gratitude to you and all your colleagues following Her Royal Highness's engagement at Providence House last week.

The Duchess was very pleased to have the opportunity to visit the Shallowford Trust and see your 'Farm to City' project in action. You are providing such a valuable experience to young people who would never otherwise have the opportunity to engage with the countryside. Thank you for hosting Her Royal Highness on the day and for the book you very kindly gifted to her about your life's work.

The Duchess is mindful that the visit required a great deal of planning and has asked that her thanks be extended to everyone who was involved in the preparations. Please give our special thanks John Dracup, his son Will and Eleanor Baker in particular, as well as everyone else in your team who helped ensure things went smoothly on the day.

Her Royal Highness sends you her best wishes.

*Kindest regards,*

*Jason*

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## Appendix 4:

### Link to film evidence

Link to Video about the 2023 Farm to City Event: [shallowfordfarm.co.uk/farm-2-city-2023](http://shallowfordfarm.co.uk/farm-2-city-2023)

## Appendix 5:

### The Partners

- Providence House Trust
- Dartmoor National Park Authority
- Foundation for Common Land
- South West Peatland Partnership
- Butterfly Conservation – London
- Art and Energy
- Waste Not Want Not – Battersea
- Wandsworth Council
- Dartmoor Hill Farm Project
- Red Tractor
- Central Dartmoor Farm Cluster
- Don Bosco (Salesians)



Many thanks to Sandra Munoz-Alvarez for the hours of work that went into the video.  
[shallowfordfarm.co.uk/farm-2-city-2023](http://shallowfordfarm.co.uk/farm-2-city-2023)

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## Farm to City Farming Partners

- Oli Lee
- Mat Cole
- John Cooper
- Mark Owen & Naomi Oakley
- Becky Clayton
- Maurice Rettalick

Last and not least thanks to the Plumley family who gallantly farm sat at East Shallowford while the farmers were away (taking care of just a few ponies, pigs and poultry).

## Funding for Farm to City Including In Kind Support

Project Incomes	Amount	Notes
FiPL	£38,299.20	
Foundation for Common Land	£9,900.00	
Peatland Partnership	£4,500.00	
East Shallowford Farm	£750.00	Value of in kind support
Royal Veterinary Society	£2,000.00	Value of in kind support
The Big Local / Community and Belonging Forum	£3,000.00	
Battersea United Charities	£1,000.00	
Providence House - Staff costs director and youth worker	£3,000.00	Value of in kind support
Night Security:	£1,260.00	Value of in kind support
Parking fees (Providence / local partners)	£245.00	Value of in kind support
In kind contributions Dartmoor National Park Authority	£3,829.00	Value of in kind support

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