

Grant Report The Beer-Harris Memorial Trust

We have used the £1000 that the Trust kindly donated to us towards the purchasing of the new tills. The new shop has improved the training opportunities for the volunteers and they have been involved in the whole process of setting it up. The volunteers helped to design the interface for the tills, choosing buttons and colours on the touch screens to aid them with serving customers. Here are some of the comments our volunteers have made:

Volunteer quotes:

-a lovely place to work in

-I feel like I work in a proper shop

-Everyone who comes in says how nice it is which I am glad to hear, it makes me proud to work here

-It is amazing, I am gaining a new skill set in retail as well as learning about plants

-mentally I feel more secure, I am not cold in here and the rain does not get in

-It has made us feel like we have a shop and not just a greenhouse

-It means the world to me



From all at Chestnut, may we say a huge heartfelt thank you once again for all your support with our project.

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Dear Trustees

I am pleased to report the continued success of Cherry Tree Nursery's RHS Level One in Practical Horticulture course. The latest intake of students, group 4, have all settled well and are working hard through the curriculum. All six students have a 100% pass rate in assessments and 100% attendance, a stunning achievement in itself but even more meaningful when their individual diagnoses are considered.

The students quickly formed into a supportive group, as we have found with the previous intakes, this helps enormously with anxieties and encourages participation.

To date, ten students have passed the course and 11 are studying currently. Another intake of students is being planned and potential students have already approached Helen, our course tutor, to express their interest.

One of our ten qualified students now wish to enrol on the Level Two course and we are very excited about this and will continue to offer financial and pastoral support.

Thank you so much for your interest and support and please be assured of a warm welcome if you are ever in the area and can visit.

I enclose a photo of some of the members of group 4.

Yours sincerely

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Nursery Manager

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