

Small Grant Fund Case Study

Calais Woods and Duloch Park

What activity did you run?

Daffodil bulb planting in Duloch Park, Dunfermline with 'wild native' bulbs. We invested in Hi-Vis vests and gloves for the volunteers, bulb planting tools and 'I planted daffodils in duloch park' stickers for the kids taking part.

Who were your main audience?

Our main audience was young kids with parents. We timed our event to catch families at the end of the junior parkrun at the same location. 20 people, including eight kids, took part.

What did you learn?

Weather impacted our main audience. It was a particularly chilly start to the Sunday morning and a lot of the junior Parkrun participants didn't have sufficient warm clothing to stay for long. I think this was a main factor in our low numbers.

We could have pushed publicity more in the week running up to the event. But we had doubts on whether we could cope with high numbers because some volunteers pulled out.

We planted 1,000 bulbs a lot more quickly than expected. So we could be more ambitious next time. However the bulbs were very costly compared to other varieties available, so we would need more funding to continue with 'wild native' bulbs.

Parents were very receptive to the flexibility. They only needed to stop by for five minutes to take part but most stayed for longer.

Has your project increased your community's capacity to tackle the climate emergency?

We had positive feedback from parents whose kids took part. They said it was nice that their kids could do something to help their local community and contribute to reducing carbon. The flowers will help offset emissions and increase biodiversity in the area.

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