

Green skills remain a part of the landscape at Wintringham



Volunteers taking part in Groundwork's latest Green Team project spent four weeks building, installing and planting pots and planters along Pelham Road and outside the new Urban&Civic office.

The initiative is part of a programme to help local jobseekers learn new skills, gain qualifications and improve their employment prospects while helping to create green spaces for the community to enjoy.

The Green Team participants, supported by Encore Estates and Whiting Landscape, gained experience in practical horticulture, landscaping, timber construction and planting. This was supplemented by employability training from Groundwork, which included support with CVs and interview skills.

Three volunteers completed the course, with two having the potential to join the Whiting Landscape team at Wintringham following a three-week trial period. The other member of the team has also been successful in securing a new job, helped by the employability skills training and confidence built during the project.

“Creating jobs for local people is a priority for the Wintringham development and projects like Green Team are a great way to upskill and recruit people living in the area. It’s been great to see how participants have developed during project and we’re delighted that all those who completed the course are on track for full time employment. They’ve done a fantastic job and we wish them every success for the future.”

Christine Littlewood, Community Lead, Wintringham

