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Welcome to the fourth newsletter of the project "BE OPEN MINDED", co-financed by ERASMUS+ under the grant agreement n. 2020-1-PL01-KA204-081435.

In this issue, we'll update you about the fourth training activity we implemented inpresence: the staff mobility in Sudbury, Derbyshire (UK) from 12-16 June 2022, hosted by our partner Wellies Project

This mobility focused on the **beneficial effects** aroma and garden therapy have on people with mental ill health.







THE AGENDA

DAY 1 - ARRIVALS

DAY 2 – Presentation of the work of Growing Rural Enterprise and the WELLIES Project (www.welliesproject.org.uk)

DAY 3 – Lunch at Sudbury Prison café, walking tour of the village and visit at Sudbury Primary School/Gasworks Restoration Trust

DAY 4 – Visit at Chapel on the Hill: meeting with the learners of the WELLIES Project, creativity courses, BBQ

DAY 5 – Visit to Uttoxeter Community Garden, Derbyshire Dales and Peak District, traditional Carvery meal

DAY 5 – DEPARTURES

LOCATION

Sudbury, Near Ashbourne. Derbyshire.
DE6 5HS







OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING:

- to offer knowledge and experience of therapeutic projects using animals, plants and the countryside
- to obtain knowledge, understanding and skills related to nature therapies
- to improve intercultural experiences of UK participants experiencing mental ill health, anxiety, depression
- to explore and experience opportunities that offer a qualification and/or skills for employment and enterprise
- to exchange experience between the partners of interventions that benefit a variety of client groups
- to improve organizational skills of the host participants and develop confidence of volunteers with mental ill health



DAY 1

Arrival in different British airports, according to the flight departures; then transfer to Lichfield City (about 2h from London Stansted) and Uttoxeter (about 1h from Manchester). Each partner arrived independently in the afternoon/evening of Sunday 12 June 2022.



DAY 2

Old Village Stores, Sudbury DE6 5HS
 Welcome and introductions;
 The work of Growing Rural Enterprise and
 the WELLIES Project;
 Presentation by Carina Klement from Graz
 University "the Influence of Space and
 Environment on Adult Learning Processes.
 Being Open Minded about potential,
 influences and impact"



 Lunch at Sudbury Prison: prisoners are studying NVQ in Catering and have a café and small plant centre



Visit to Sudbury Primary School
 (www.sudbury.derbyshire.sch.uk) and
 Sudbury Gasworks Restoration Trust
 (www.sudburygasworks.com): the role of
 progression into volunteering and
 dissemination of the results of the
 mobility in Greece and Italy: students
 experienced and discovered drama and
 clown therapy techniques





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 Short walking tour of the village: Sudbury Hall, church





DAY3

Chapel on the Hill, Somersal Herbert. DE6
 5PE

Meeting learners on the WELLIES Project and Confidence through Creativity Course; Participants' involvement in following activities:

- Food smoking
- Sausage making
- Floristry
- Salad from the garden with edible flowers
- Traditional English puddings
- Light lunch with learners
- Barbecue meal in the flower decorated veranda with WELLIES staff and volunteers: discussion about their learner and life journeys and about the benefits, techniques and opportunities of using Garden and Nature therapies in the work with adults.



DAY 4

- Visit to Uttoxeter Community Garden, used by local groups to enhance health and wellbeing;
- Visit to Derbyshire Dales and Peak
 District, including Chatsworth House
 Kitchen and Cutting Garden
 (www.chatsworth.org.uk);
- Traditional Carvery meal (www.tobycarvery.co.uk)
- Analysis of the results and preparation of recommendation
- Discussion about different methods of work with the adults
- Evaluation







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DAY 5

Departures.









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