

## Individual Project Summary Report 2006/07

### 1. Project summary and information about the grant holder

<b>Project title</b>	Church Stretton Station Gardens	<b>AONB Proj. No:</b>	SDF/067/42
<b>Overall objectives of the project</b>	To reclaim the neglected, abandoned garden areas at our unattended railway station making them neat, attractive, low maintenance areas that will attract wildlife, use local and traditional materials, where possible, be very cost effective and have strong community support. Establish an attractive 'gateway' to the Shropshire Hills.		
<b>Start date</b>	19/12/2006	<b>End date</b>	31/03/2007
<b>SDF grant holder</b> <i>(your organisation)</i>	Church Stretton Area Toursim Group		
<b>Contact details</b> <i>(your name, address, telephone and email)</i>	John Woolmer, c/o Cath Landles, Shropshire Hills AONB Partnership. Tel (01588) 674084. Email: cath.landles@shropshire-cc.gov.uk		

### 2. Funding information

<b>SDF funding received this year</b>	£ 2,348.74	<b>SDF funding received last year</b> <i>(if any)</i>	£ 0
<b>Total cost of the project this year</b>	£ 5330.74	<b>Any special funding arrangements</b> <i>(such as staged payments or financial conditions required by funders)</i>	No
<b>Sources of other funding</b> <i>(funding body or volunteer activity)</i>	<b>Value of other funding where contributed in cash</b>	<b>Estimate of value (£ equivalent) where contributed in kind</b>	
Volunteer time	£ 0	£ 2,982	

### 3. Achievements of the project

<b>What were the specific objectives that you set for the project in the grant application form?</b>	<b>How well were the objectives met?</b>	<b>What issues affected the achievement of the objectives?</b>
Complete renovation and restoration of the gardens at Church Stretton Railway Station	Restoration and renovation of gardens completed	

### 4. Lessons learned

<b>What were the key lessons you learned during the project?</b>	In a few months we have transformed a dreary, tired and unattractive railway station into an exciting, attractive and colourful gateway to Church Stretton. We have broadened commitment of volunteers, residents, officials and Arriva Trains. We plan to invite local children to install murals in the two shelters – depicting their interpretation of the Shropshire Hills. Since starting our work graffiti has been reduced to zero, vandalism has all but disappeared and even litter has been much reduced.
<b>What would you do differently next time?</b>	
<b>Do you have any further comments?</b>	Please accept our grateful thanks for your support in making the only town in the Shropshire Hills AONB more attractive – and in broadening the local community involvement and understanding.