



Peace Garden

Ceres Church is looking to create a peace garden on a one-acre space on the church glebe, which will offer a peaceful, contemplative space for pilgrims walking the Fife Pilgrim Way, for visitors and for the local community. The area we aim to cultivate is immediately to the right of the entrance gate and will continue along to the bowling green hedge and approximately 30 metres in towards the centre of the field, leaving plenty of space for access. (See Draft Plan overleaf)



We are very fortunate to have secured the help and advice of two local professional gardeners, one to advise on the design of the garden and selection of native trees and plants, and the other has offered his landscape gardening skills for the initial stage of the project. The concept for the garden is simplicity – low cost, low maintenance, and we want to work with the local community who can contribute by volunteering, particularly at key times, when the more help we have, the more we can achieve. The initial design is relatively minimal, as you will see from the plan, and decisions on future development phases will be made with local people. The church will be investing financially in this project, and grant funding opportunities will also be explored as and when required.



Phase 1 has already started with grass and turf cutting to create the circular feature, together with some paths. This will be followed by grass cutting of the full acre, then the planting of trees to create a nuttery at the east boundary of the first phase, approximately half the total area. In February, subject to planning permission should this be required, further cultivation, including creation of grass paths and planting will take place and offers another opportunity for volunteers of all ages and organisations to get involved. We hope this project will be a boost for the village and bring people together in a joint effort to create a beautiful, but easily managed garden.



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