



## **Friends of Summers Field**

### **Newsletter - November 2017**

Autumn is now well underway, with the leaves falling from the trees and the nights drawing in. Last month, we held a working day with Members of the Friends of Summers Field committee strimming the field, mowing the wildflower meadow, pruning trees and clearing weeds. We planted a plum tree to replace one that hadn't made it through last winter. The orchard was looking glorious, with the established apple, pear, plum, cherry and Mulberry trees growing well.

This year, it's the fifth anniversary of the establishment of the community orchard and wildflower meadow. We were pleased to see so many friends of Summers Field at the BBQ on 30th June and had an enjoyable evening, raising nearly £200 and some additional donations towards the maintenance of the orchard and wildflower meadow. Thanks to those who helped with the cooking and clearing up on the night. In total, we've raised more than £1,000 in donations this year, thank you to all who contributed.

We continue to make grant applications and recently applied to the local branch of a supermarket to be one of the charity choices for customer votes at the checkout. We weren't successful this time but we continue to look into different ways to support the costs of maintaining Summers Field. We're welcome any donations and offers of support, so if you haven't already contributed and would like to do so, please get in touch by emailing me on [james\\_hughes\\_7@hotmail.com](mailto:james_hughes_7@hotmail.com)

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**James Hughes**  
12 November 2017