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Baroness Barran: We wanted through the local collections fund to encourage projects that bring people together doing something that they enjoy. I also think at a human level we tend to connect with smaller groups of people, that’s what makes us feel less isolated when we have a few good connections, so some of these small projects are exactly what we need as human beings.

Sam Evans: when you’re working beside somebody over a common task it’s much easier to talk about issues that you might be having or areas where you’re struggling, and it allows a much more informal way of connecting with people. Each time we wanted to do something more with the Seeds of Connection programme, you know, it’s eased a little bit what we’re allowed to do so people can come into the garden now. And it just brings the whole place to life it’s really lovely to see people in enjoying the space in a way that they’ve not been able to for a long time.