

## ELEMENTAL EARTH

### *Contact*

Elemental Earth

Tŷ Bach

Canolfan Owain Glyndŵr

Maengwyn Street

Machynlleth

SY20 8EE

Tel & Fax: 01654 700 098

E-mail: [office@elementalearth.fslife.co.uk](mailto:office@elementalearth.fslife.co.uk)

Website: [www.elementalearth.fslife.co.uk](http://www.elementalearth.fslife.co.uk)



Elemental Earth, situated in the Dyfi valley, works to connect people to their environment through arts and land-based projects. Trustees are all community members and most projects undertaken are community orientated. These include the school gardens, 5<sup>th</sup> November lantern procession and the local traders' annual flag festival which includes community workshops and events, which promote trade in the area. It also creates voluntary training opportunities in office work, IT, arts workshops, forest gardens at five schools and permaculture methods. Elemental Earth is funded mainly from grants but it also undertakes paid contract work.

Protection of the environment is achieved through promoting local trade thus reducing travel. Workers use public transport where possible. The school forest gardens encourage children to protect the present and future environment, and to promote biodiversity. Recycled materials and local resources are used whenever possible.

Future projects include a schools' garden network, a diary of community celebrations and a teachers' resource pack.

*Tips for others:* Become a Registered Charity as soon as possible. Take on a fundraiser one day a week. Create a solid structure with an active management committee.

### *Desired help:*

- Commitment from volunteers for fixed periods
- A volunteer with strong IT skills and financial/grant knowledge
- An experienced primary school teacher on board.

*Status of group:* Voluntary – in process of gaining charitable status

*Area:* Dyfi Valley