

FRAMSDEN WOODLAND GROUP REPORT 2026

The Framsdén Woodland Group maintains an area of mature woodland at the end of Church Row. The woodland is leased by Framsdén Fundraisers (FF) from the Helmingham Estate and we operate as a self-funding, sub-group of FF.

The plot was at one time looked after by the Eade family, and hence the name Eade's Orchard. We look after a number of fruit trees and bushes that would have been in place when the Eade's maintained the plot and have planted a number of heritage fruit trees typical of the area.

We aim to engage the community and focus on the long-term well-being of the woodland.

Over the years we have held a number of events including the "big picnic", an annual plant sale, a Halloween pumpkin trail and a winter solstice gathering. The woodland includes a number of seating areas and a picnic table - all are welcome to enjoy the space.

Over the last year we have installed a bench in memory of Joey Bell at the top end of the woodland, refreshed the notice board, built a shelter, replaced some of the wooden seats in the glade and repaired a wood platform that forms part of the path.

We hold working parties most months, usually on first Sunday in the morning. These are a great way to socialise and often finish with tea/ coffee and cake - everyone in the community is welcome to join us!