

## About the Aldingbourne Trust

The Aldingbourne Trust supports people with learning/physical disabilities to reach their potential across West Sussex. We provide supported living, personalised support and support staff, vocational and therapeutic training, creative arts and supported steps into employment.

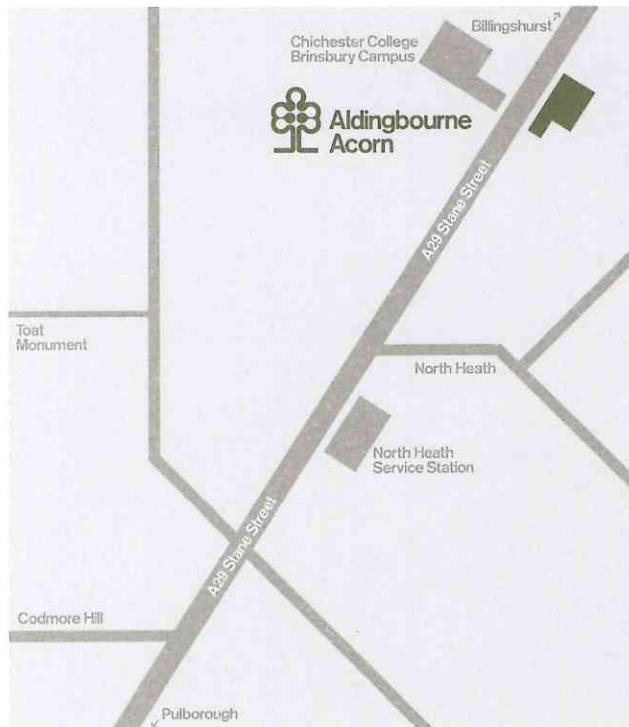
### Opening Times

Monday to Friday, 9.30am – 4.00pm

### How to find us

Aldingbourne Acorn is on the A29, north of Pulborough opposite the main entrance of the Brinsbury Campus of Chichester College.

Registered Charity: 276484

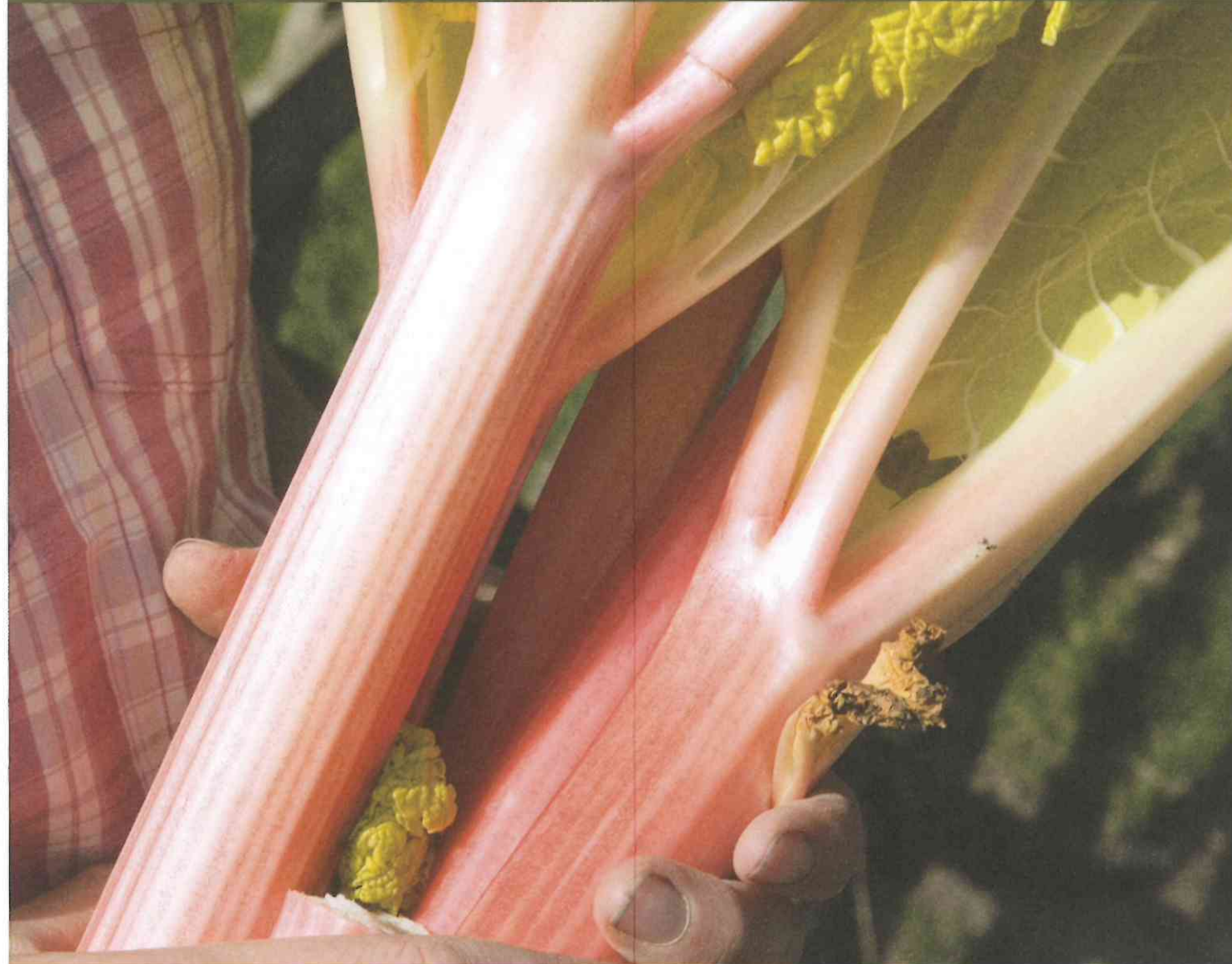


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# The Acorn



## The Acorn Centre

Is just north of Pulborough opposite Chichester College's Brinsbury site. We are open Monday to Friday and are pleased to welcome visitors to our café and shop.

We are a social enterprise, which means our activities bring in income to support the aims of the Aldingbourne Trust. Here at The Acorn, people with learning disabilities take vocational training so they can reach their potential.



## What we have to offer

### Cafe

The Acorn offers a full menu, including breakfasts, morning coffee, afternoon tea with homemade cakes, light snacks, daily specials and delicious desserts.

Our chef is an accomplished pastry chef and his team are able to make bespoke celebration cakes for weddings, birthdays and all special occasions.

### Shop

We have sourced a selection of delights from local producers and offer a range of tasty jams, relishes, grains, pasta, rice biscuits and confectionary.

### Growing plants, fruit and vegetables

We grow bedding plants, perennials, fruit and vegetables on site. We use biological controls, respecting the land and our climate.

### Community Team

Our award-winning Community team works in partnership with Southern Rail - supplying and maintaining their summer and winter floral displays at 23 train stations across the County. We also enhance both private and communal gardens, roundabouts, schools and nursing homes. We take a pride in providing a professional and eco-friendly service to a high standard and are led by an instructor qualified in the management and design of gardens and plantings.



## Training at the Acorn

The Acorn aims to help adults from 18–55 with learning disabilities prepare for paid and voluntary work, offering training for up to 3 years. Students can obtain accredited qualifications and have the opportunity to try a range of working experiences.

At the Acorn, learning is structured and we encourage all students to try new activities and take positive steps towards their own self development. All of our students grow in knowledge and confidence. The students are asked to participate in regular meetings to give regular feedback and help with the smooth running of the Acorn. We always work closely with carers, families and specialist services.

We know it is also important to have time to relax and socialise and the Acorn has a social group where students and staff organise leisure activities and events, including football, bowling, South Down walks and visits to the cinema, theme parks and garden shows.

**The Aldingbourne Trust – supporting people to reach their potential**

