



### Evanton Community Wood receives funding support from Age Scotland

Age Scotland has announced its latest round of funding through the Encouraging and Supporting Grassroots Activity, funded by Age Scotland in partnership with the Scottish Government. Evanton Community Wood is pleased to be one of the recipients for their Friday Futures programme for people living with dementia.

A spokesperson for the woodland said “the group are delighted to have received a vote of confidence from Age Scotland. The funding, which is a repeat of last year’s, will enable the sessions to continue weekly, with input from a wide variety of local artists, musicians and other skilled practitioners. The participants tell us how important the sessions are for them and how much they enjoy the woodland setting.”

Evanton Wood Community Company bought the 150-acre (65-hectare) wood in 2012 to benefit the local and wider community and to preserve and enhance the woodland biodiversity. The sessions for people living with dementia have been running for 9 years, with support from a wide range of funders. In 2019 the woodland received an accolade from Paths for All as the first dementia friendly woodland in Scotland.

Those interested in taking part in the sessions, which are free of charge, and which include fresh soup and refreshments, are encouraged to make contact. There is information on the Evanton Wood website ([www.evanton.wood.com](http://www.evanton.wood.com)); email [Adrian.clark444@btinternet.com](mailto:Adrian.clark444@btinternet.com).

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