

HMP RYE HILL GARDEN PROJECT

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In the Beginning



Collaboration
between Garden
Organic and the
Drug and Alcohol
Rehabilitation Team
(DART)

Positive outcomes



- *‘important asset in assisting prisoners recovering from drug misuse’. (HMI Inspectorate of prisons report).*
- *‘It’s changed my behaviour and drug taking; things are changing without even realising it’.*

Bees at Rye Hill



The Warre Hive

- Arrived 30/03/15
- Swarmed 5 times 2015, 5 times 2016, 6 times 2017...



Sunhive No. 1



- Colonised from a swarm from Warre on the 16/05/15
- Swarmed 4 times in 2016 and 5 times in 2017

Sunhive No.2



- Colonised 26/05/2015
- Swarmed 6 times in 2016 and 4, possibly 6 times in 2017

Sunhive No. 3



Sunhive No. 3 continued...



- Initially colonised 27/5/15 but badly sited. Deserted June 2016. New hive located end of polytunnel and colonised 6/05/2016 from Sunhive No.1
- Swarmed 5 times in 2017

Sunhive No. 4



- Colonised 1/05/16.
abandoned 7/05/16. re-
colonised 4.6.16
- Swarmed 3 times 2017.
possibly more...

Sunhive No. 5



- Colonised 5/05/16
- Swarmed 22/05/2016?
- Possibly 3 times in 2017.
- The hive we know least about.

Bees and prisoners...



Bees and me...





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