

## Nethercott House Victorian Walled Garden Kitchen Garden

Sir Michael and Lady Clare Morpurgo founded the charity Farms for City Children in 1976 with the aim of helping children from urban areas to learn about growing and where their food comes from. Nethercott House was the first farm, now joined by two more in Gloucestershire and Pembrokeshire. Some 100,000 children have been to one of the three farms.

With support from a National Heritage Lottery grant and funding from DGT, the Victorian walled garden at Nethercott House now boasts fully restored walls, paths and glasshouse. DGT member and former trustee, Penny Hammond, a professional horticulturist, helped with the project, including supporting the gardener to work out the plan for the garden. A lot was achieved in a relatively short period of time whilst the daily activities of running the farm with the children, each cohort visiting for a week's stay.



The restored walled garden at Nethercott House. Photo © Penny Hammond.