

PLEASE CAN YOU HELP!

For over 40 years people with learning disabilities and autism from all over Hillingdon have attended the award-winning Rural Activities Garden Centre (R.A.G.C.) in Yiewsley where they have benefited from horticultural therapy and social support. In a hastily arranged meeting on Friday, 30th May 2025, those with learning disabilities and autism who use the R.A.G.C. and their families were told by the London Borough of Hillingdon that it had decided to close the R.A.G.C.

Hillingdon Council's press release provided immediately after the meeting stated that it wanted to close the R.A.G.C.'s retail operations and re-locate the R.A.G.C.'s horticultural therapy to the Civic Centre grounds. On Thursday, 26th June 2025 it was decided at the Council's Cabinet meeting to close the R.A.G.C.'s retail operation.

In order to protect the R.A.G.C. in June 2025 the Friends of R.A.G.C. submitted two nominations to Hillingdon Council to register the R.A.G.C. and its adjacent land as an Asset of Community Value (A.C.V.). However, the Council failed to meet its statutory obligations under the Localism Act 2011 to process the Friends of R.A.G.C.'s nominations within the eight-week legal deadline.

The Friends of R.A.G.C. are now seeking to raise **£9,750 by Wednesday, 14th January 2026** to support its judicial review proceedings against Hillingdon Council in order to protect the R.A.G.C. for current and future generations of those with learning disabilities and autism in Hillingdon.

If you, your family or friends would like to support the Crowd Justice fundraiser it would be greatly appreciated! Please visit the link or scan the 'Save the R.A.G.C.' QR code below.

Thank you!

<https://www.crowdjustice.com/case/ragc/>



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