

**Reading Food Growing Network
AGM Sunday 22nd February 2026
Committee report for 2025**

What we did during 2025:

2025 AGM at RISC on Sunday 23rd February.

New committee members: Carol Wright – Treasurer, Kirsty Dabbs, Lu Jones

Ran seed swaps We ran the following seed swaps during the last 12 months:

FoE talk on Sustainable Allotments Wed 12th February

RFGN AGM Sun 23rd February

Farmers Market Sat 1st March

Mini-swap at Ridgeline for Reading HongKongers Sun 16th March

CHS talk on Sustainable Allotments Wed 16th April

Bean Pole Day Sat 26th April

Mini-swap at University of Reading Community Festival on 17th May

Seed swaps at Ridgeline on 19th May

East Reading Festival 22nd June

WaterFest on Saturday 28th June

CHS autumn show Sat 30th August

Karen also continued to run the seed swap from home, using the postal service to distribute the seeds.

RFGN coordinates the local network for Good to Grow (formerly known as The Big Dig).

No date for this year's Good to Grow week. More details at: <https://www.goodtogrowuk.org/>

Continued our member benefits schemes: as members of RFGN we are entitled to discounts at Suttons Seeds (50% off seeds and 20% off other items from their catalogue). We previously joined Garden Organic's Heritage Seed Library and received our 2024 seeds. Garden Organic is no longer associated with the Organic Gardening Catalogue, however we get discounts via GO membership at Tamar Organics, EvenGreener and the Wildlife Community. Also, during the year we have added Gardening Naturally, who are offering 5% discount.

We're also members of Social Farms & Gardens <https://www.farmgarden.org.uk/> who provide very helpful advice.

Continued associate membership of Reading Green Wellbeing Network, which represents organisations in the Greater Reading Area that promote wellbeing and community cohesion through engagement with nature and it brings RFGN before a wider audience and gives us a bit of a voice at policy and funding discussions.

Informed and connected people via our website, mailing list and social media.

Food4Families: We have been in discussion with RISC about the future of F4F.

