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Hi. My name is Tony Cullen.

I live in Merton. I worked in the borough too until taking early retirement in 2010.

I give my time at Wimbledon Chase Primary School as their Wildlife Gardener.

I do it because It's great to see children learning about nature in an active and fun way.

What do I enjoy about giving my time?

What I enjoy most is introducing children to gardening by teaching them about the cultivation of flowers, fruit and vegetables. I also tell them about the actions their school takes to promote a sustainable approach to the environment.

The biggest challenge I've faced is the number of children now wishing to get involved. To alleviate this, we are setting up a large new gardening plot we are calling 'Bramble Hedge Allotments'. This will mean more children can get involved.

We have received several gardening related awards this year, including one for our Olympic Garden. This has helped to raise the school's profile.

My volunteering contributes to Merton because it provides an outdoor classroom for Wimbledon Chase Primary School and another nearby school which doesn't have its own grounds.

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and online what you do to make Merton a better place.