

COMPOSTING TOILET & HUT BUILDING COURSE

Falkland Centre for Stewardship

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Getting started with the toilet!

- The toilets were to be constructed at the wood yard and at the hut building site we were working on. It is envisaged that the hut will be a base for woodland training and educational activities and hence the need for a toilet nearby.
- Initially a box approximately 3x2x 3 ft was constructed, which could take at least a years worth of usage! A toilet seat was fitted to the top and the inside was painted with bitumen.



- 4x4 timbers were sited at least 2 ½ ft into the ground and packed in tightly and as vertical as possible. The size of the toilet takes into account room to move around inside and some steps up to the toilet.

- The toilet was to be elevated from the ground and needs to allow for access to get the box out and replace it. As this was a muddy site we placed some 2x4 underneath the box to help with getting it out.
- The cross timbers were fitted at the bottom and top and checked for levels.



- Then a floor was fitted at the appropriate level to take account of someone sitting on the box!

2. The frame was then covered with overlapping larch cladding. A waterproof membrane covered the roof area and the larch cladding for the roof was added and then the sides. Again, room needs to be left at the back to ensure the box can be taken out.

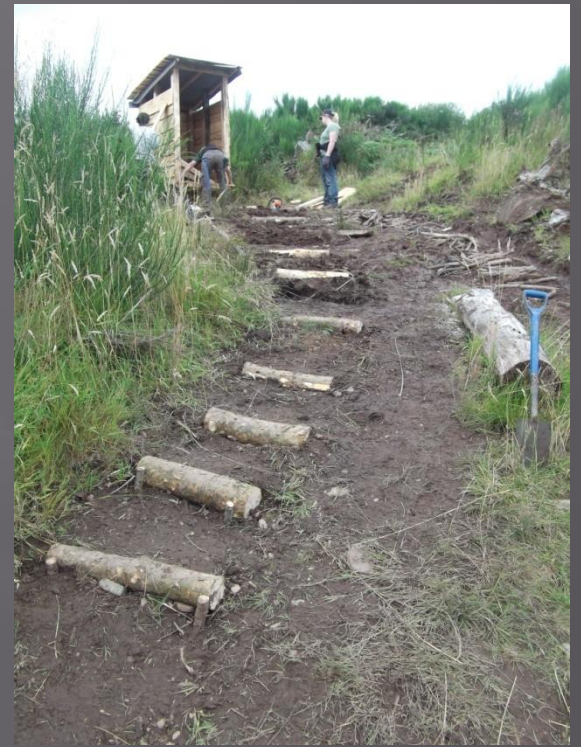


1. The timbers were nailed on and then trimmed down with a chainsaw – just a bit more time saving! The floor timbers were added.





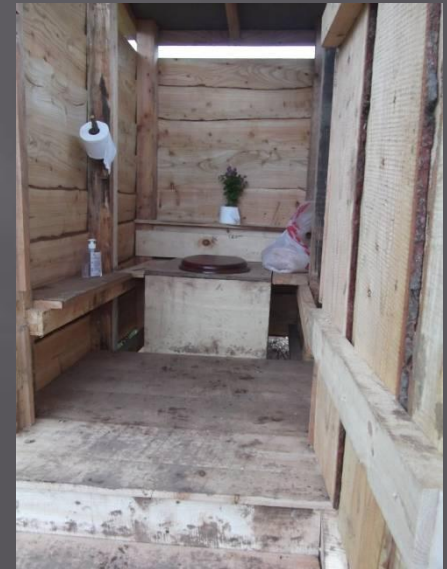
The steps were built both for the toilet and for access to the toilet. The steps up to the toilet were cut to length, dug in and held secure with 2 stakes, one at either end. The door was created from lengths of larch cladding which added a bit of character!





Finishing touches were added: Door handle and knocker, loo roll holder, box for sawdust, hand sterilizer and foam stuck on the toilet seat lid – to create a tighter seal!

The toilet was built out of sight from the hut, but close enough to make it useful





Images for the other compost toilet which was built at the wood yard site. The design is slightly different. An air vent is fitted to minimise smell!

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