

# Press information

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Reepham  
**Rotary**  
Club



## Japanese Tea House at Reepham Primary School

The unveiling of a plaque at Reepham Primary School has marked the passing of a great contributor to local projects.

Reepham Primary School has a long-standing link with Sakado Azura school in Japan. Some years ago, Reepham Rotary agreed to help develop a Japanese garden at the School to mark the link and as a site for instruction and relaxation.

The project was much delayed by Covid restrictions but the garden was finally completed on May 2023 with the construction of a tea house in the style much seen in Japan.

The tea house was designed by Rotarian Ian Malton and the construction was led by Cliff Harmer who has been the driving force behind many Rotary building activities. Sadly Cliff died at the end of 2022 and did not see the completion of his final project.

On 16 October Elaine Harmer and family unveiled a plaque on the tea house which recorded Cliff's contribution to the work. The family was welcomed by Rotary President Arthur Hawes who recalled Cliff's leadership on many local Rotary community projects.

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Lorraine, Elaine and Scott Harmer with  
Melanie and Arthur Hawes.