

Vision Statement from the Strategic Council Plan

Nottingham Is Healthy, Safe, Clean, Green, Proud and Ambitious

Greener Happier Healthier Green Space Strategy seeks to:-

- Improve and sustain the Cities Green and Blue Infrastructure
- Protect and Enhance our Local Habitats and Biodiversity
- Engage our Citizens to encourage participation and volunteering
- Provide a more financially sustainable delivery model for Nottingham's Greenspace and Natural Environment

The strategy lays out a framework for how we will seek to deliver a programme of ambitious service objective's and deliver a Greener, Happier, Healthier City - a City we can all be proud of.

OUR AMAZING GREEN SPACES





FUTURE PARKS ACCELERATOR

Funded through National Lottery Heritage Fund & Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Committees & National Trust

3-year programme with a dedicated project team

Consideration given to;

- Robust consultation
- Mapping assets, collating insight and data
- Cross sector partnership opportunities
- Blended funding and finance



Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities



Future Parks Accelerator



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FPA OUTPUTS

- Technical and Strategic Report
- Volunteering Strategy, CRM system & delivery model
- Marketing Strategy & brand assets
- Future operating models legal positions
- Spirit of Place (workshops and statements)
- Experience Design including options appraisal & operating model recommendations
- Extensive Insight e.g., Quality Audit, Natural Capital/Biodiversity Opportunity Mapping & Tree Canopy Mapping
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Process for effective governance (Open & Green Spaces Champions Group)



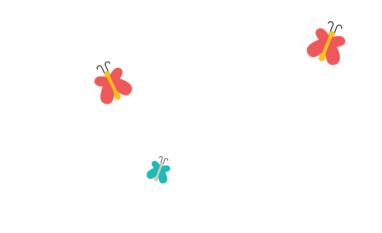
STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

WHO?

- Open &Green Spaces Champions Group
- Nottingham Open Spaces Forum
- Whole council approach
- Jon Sheaff technical consultation
- Primary Parliament
- Arrow
- NOSF
- Bench Tour
- Green Hustle
- Annual Parks Satisfaction
 Survey
- Equality Impact Assessments

HOW?

- Group sessions/121
 Interviews/Meetings
- F2F Innovative approaches and then online





FPA CONSULTATION OUTCOMES

- Nottingham's green and blue space covers 38.1% of the city
- There are 1.1 million visits per month to our parks and open spaces
- 63% of city's residents visit parks and open spaces at least once a month
- We look after over 90% of the city's playgrounds
- Over 90% feel their park is important to their neighbourhood with nature, climate and wider environmental benefits considered important





STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

- Emerging Tree & Woodland Strategy baseline questionnaire & hyper local focus groups
- Through transformational change projects (such as the Paddling Pool) stakeholder engagement is now a significant part of the design and deliver process and outputs

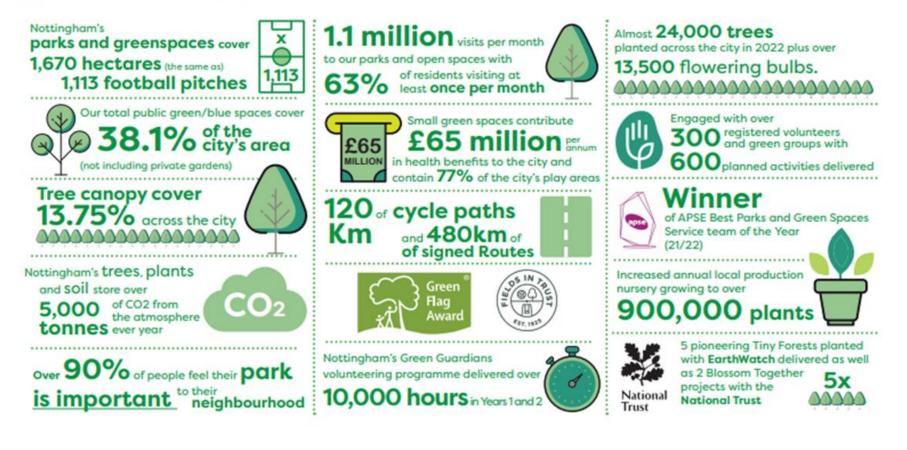






Our amazing greenspaces

Nottingham City Council has a historic network of open and greenspaces contributing to its image as a green city. We look after parks, playgrounds, nature reserves, allotments, cemeteries and community spaces for an increasing resident population of over 320,000 people.







Our Vision, Mission and Values



GREENER

Over a fifth of Nottingham is dedicated green space. And we strive for more. With nature in mind, we will support wildlife to thrive, joining spaces to benefit our people and the city ecosystem.

WE WILL be proud of a rich, resilient and connected open and green space network that in turn, protects the planet.

HEALTHIER

Nature-rich beautiful spaces are vital for our mental and physical well-being.

WE WILL continue to provide areas for rest & reflection immersing our citizens in diverse green and open spaces whilst enabling movement around our city through vibrant green corridors on foot or on two wheels.

HAPPIER

Our open and green spaces bring us together and connect us.

WE WILL continue to share ownership of them to give us a common purpose. These spaces are active and well-used, welcoming people from across our communities to play, socialise, participate & partner in looking after, improving & enjoying our city.



GREENER, CONNECTED NEIGHBOURHOODS

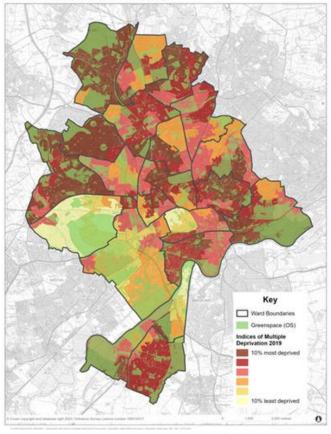
Nottingham will have grown by 5% over the next 20 years. A focus on environmental justice will provide for increasing demand.

We are working towards the Natural England Urban Greening Factor Standard target of 40% - (Nottingham currently at 38.1%).

Green in 15 - better connected green spaces will provide greater access and extend the environmental benefits for people, nature and wildlife.











BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN

- Now statutory duty for all LA's
- Nature Friendly developments seeking to achieve at least 10% net gain
- Ncc taking a whole council approach to delivery
- Biodiversity SPD





RESILIENT CLIMATE POSITIVE PLACES

Nottingham City Council declared a climate and ecological emergency in 2019 our green spaces contribute to mitigating the impacts of climate change.

Nottingham's green spaces are an important part of the city's air pollution and flood protection measures. Our soils, trees and plants absorb carbon and rainfall.

Nottingham's green spaces and trees provide shade and cooling during the summer months. Our Tree & Woodland strategy will support the targeted increase of tree canopy cover.







sland Site

Same city, same day, same time: two different streets.







AN ACTIVATED HEALTHY SUSTAINABLE CITY

Nottingham's open and green spaces provide nature connectedness for people.

Sustaining our open and green spaces helps people stay healthy, mentally and physically.

Consolidating partnerships with Public Health and Green Social prescribing connects people most at risk of health inequality to nature.

Food growing can happen in allotments and edible plantings in parks, urban orchards, open-access gardens, school gardens, and in street planters.





CREATING NATURE-RICH, BEAUTIFUL SPACES FOR PEOPLE

Volunteers are vital in co-creating and maintaining nature-rich beautiful spaces generating valuable skills and experiences. By developing new activities and experiences we move to a more inclusive and socially progressive model.

In undertaking the research for this strategy new thinking has been explored especially around play i.e. Make Space for Girls and Child Friendly Nottingham.

More effective consultation and participation will make our spaces more relevant, accessible and future-proof.







ANY QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU

