



**SUSTAINABLE
BIODIVERSE
HEALTHY
PROSPEROUS
COOL**

LIVERPOOL
GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY

THE CHANCE TO DO MORE...



Liverpool's green resources are not yet optimised - but health, planning and other sectors can work together to make best use of this critical infrastructure.



City's poorest have fewest green spaces

The most affluent residents have 18% more green infrastructure in their area than the most deprived.

Vulnerable communities lack protection

The very old and very young are at greatest risk in heatwaves, yet areas with high densities of these demographics have too little green infrastructure to keep these communities cool.

Liverpool's North-South divide

As far back as 1977 the Liverpool Planning Handbook identified a lack of 'green' in the central and northern parts of the city. More than 30 years later, that inequality remains.



What is green infrastructure?

Green infrastructure has been defined in North West England as the region's life support system – the network of natural environmental components and green and blue spaces that lie within and between our cities, towns and villages and provide multiple social, economic and environmental benefits.



...TO MAKE OUR CITY GREAT

The city's Green Infrastructure Strategy gives us an achievable long-term plan to help Liverpool marshal its under-utilised green resources to benefit people and the economy.

An £8bn green asset at our fingertips

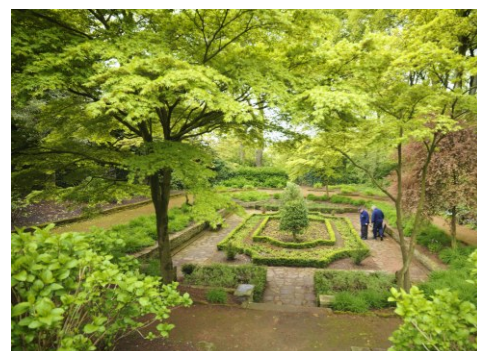
The city's green infrastructure is a sleeping giant: it accounts for 62% of land, making Liverpool one of the UK's best-endowed green cities.

The power to impact on many issues

Clear correlations exist between the functionality of green infrastructure and issues ranging from the economy to mental and physical health (see case study).

Strategic opportunities abound

Areas identified for housing growth and strategic investment have the chance to 'plan in' green infrastructure from the start. This is vital to turning our city's world-class ambitions into reality.



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Strategy actions: a case study

The strategy identifies that residents with the best green infrastructure also have the city's lowest rates of coronary heart disease.

This key finding informs the recommendation to target the provision of green infrastructure (and improvement to the accessibility of existing green infrastructure) toward areas of the city that have high incidence of coronary heart disease, obesity and/or diabetes and low levels of accessible green infrastructure.

11th

Liverpool's current placing on the Sustainable Cities Index. The aspiration is to be #1.

WHAT AND WHERE: EXAMPLES OF ACTION LOCATIONS



FIND OUT MORE

High level support for the Liverpool Green Infrastructure Strategy is vital to our city. Get in touch to find out how you can take up the strategy's recommendations and actions.

Read the strategy:

For the executive summary, action plan, technical evidence and web database, visit: www.GINW.co.uk/liverpool

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