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The **decline in nature**... and what can we do

Nature is in decline globally and in Cornwall

Largely due to habitat loss and land management

See Cornwall State of Nature Report 2020

https://www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk/whatwe-do/about-us/state-nature-cornwall-2020report

We need **bigger**, **better more joined up habitats** for insects, birds and all creatures

Wildlife needs space (habitat) with food & shelter

How can Liskeard help provide wildlife corridors and stepping stones for nature?

And create more inviting urban greenspaces







CC & LTC actions...

- Environmental Growth Strategy 2015-2065
- Jan 2019 Climate & Ecological Emergency
- Jul 2019 Carbon neutral 2030 Action Plan
- Dec 2019 Forest for Cornwall (8000ha)
- Pollinator Action Plan 2021 2024
- Liskeard Town Council
 'Environment Emergency Working Group'









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Urban Green Shoots

- Nature recovery
- Improve access
- Engage local communities
- Promote healthy living
- 12-15 sites by March 2025

Urban Green Shoots is part funded by the Shared Prosperity GOOD GROWTH Fund









Imagine more space for

Wildlife

- is there **food and shelter** for insects, birds and other creatures.
- Trees, hedges and woodland network of routes
- Wildlife friendly plant palette & max flower season
- Think beyond the site boundary







Imagine more space for

- Water
- Manage stormwater locally (as close to its source as possible) and mimic natural drainage
- Bring water closer to people keep it at the surface
- Help place making permeable paving, swales, basins, ponds, filter drains and rain gardens

Imagine more space for

Wellbeing

- **am I welcome here?** Can I sit, chat and rest, enjoy everyday nature, pick fruit and herbs? <u>How do I feel here?</u> Can I hear insects and birdsong and notice the seasons?
- Nature and health connections
- Volunteering, Skill sharing, nature trails, art, foraging, Community Orchard











Workstages

- Feasibility and Consultation
- Engagement and partnership
- Design and costing Feb/Mar 2024
- Site works spring/summer 2024
- Establishment to March 2025 with
- Urban Ranger sessions
- Long Term Management 15 years... to 2040



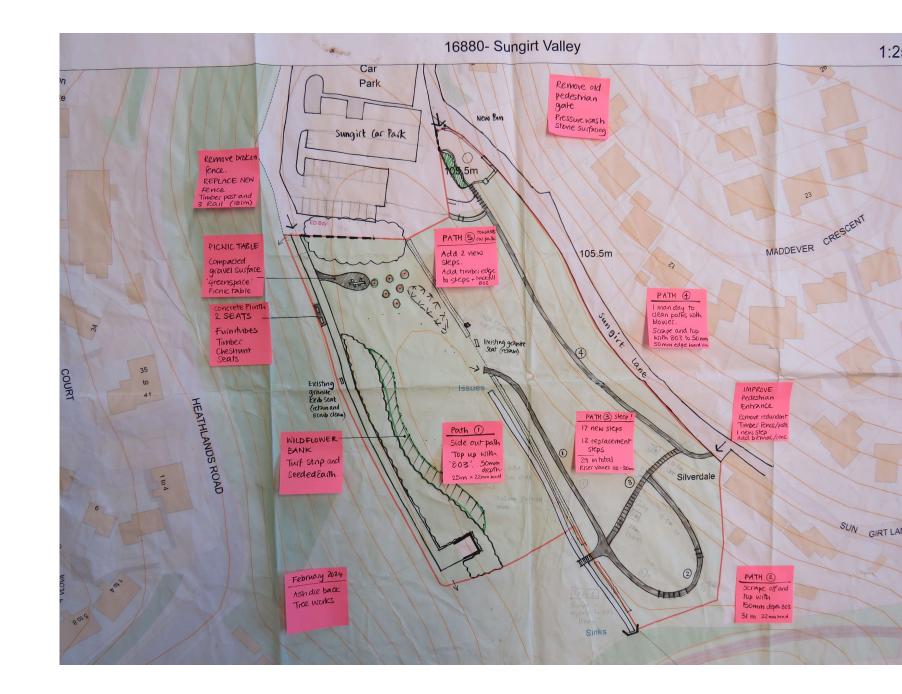








Concept



Long Term Management

- Minimum 15 year commitment eg 1st April 2025 to 30th March 2040
- Simple Management Plan produced by Cormac
- Maximise biodiversity and minimise costs
- Aim to promote regular community volunteering with help from LTC









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