



This plan has been created by the Green Westbourne Network of local residents, organisations and businesses.



## **OUR AIM:**

Green Westbourne will improve our lives by making the area greener, healthier and better for nature and improving access to the green economy and jobs.

## **HOW IT WILL WORK:**

### Green Westbourne will:

- 1) Be led by the local community for everyone in Westbourne.
- 2) Create big changes through small actions
- 3) Take a **flexible approach** to what engagement with nature looks like
- 4) Celebrate and **reflect Westbourne's diversity**
- 5) Build and strengthen relationships in Westbourne and with wider communities
- 6) Be designed to last: including plans for next steps and future maintenance.
- 7) Raise awareness and action around the climate emergency

# PROJECT OUTCOMES

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We will achieve our aim by focusing on three key outcomes: making Westbourne a **Greener Place**, helping each other to live **Greener Lives** and to access **Greener Opportunities**.



#### **Greener** Place

We want Westbourne to be a place with:

- More trees, plants and flowers on buildings, in the streets and in parks
- More spaces for everyone to grow food
- Spaces that work better for wildlife
- More safe, accessible and inviting outdoor spaces for:
  - Playing and being active outdoors
  - Relaxing and being mindful
  - Socialising outdoors
  - Outdoor performances
  - Outdoor learning
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Engaging with nature
- A canal that is more inviting and better for nature
- Buildings with a lower carbon footprint and less waste
- More natural defences from flooding and extreme heat
- Less air, water and noise pollution and less litter



### **Greener Lives**

We want people who spend time in Westbourne to:

- Have more ownership of our green and blue spaces
- Know more about nature, plants and growing food
- Take practical action to make Westbourne greener, healthier and better for nature
- Grow and cook more food together
- Spend more time outdoors
- Travel more by walking and bike
- Use the outdoors and nature to support their health and wellbeing
- Feel proud of Westbourne's green and blue spaces
- Have a stronger connection to nature
- Have an increased understanding of how they can help tackle the climate emergency (energy saving, recycling, diet, travel etc.)

Greener Opportunities

We want people who live in Westbourne to:

- Gain new skills, knowledge and qualifications related to green industry, nature and the outdoors
- Have greater access to work experience, employment, and enterprise opportunities related to green industry, nature and the outdoors
- Have greater access to more local green job opportunities