



Urban Buzz Leicester

Urban Buzz is an ambitious project aiming to create 100 'buzzing hotspots' across Leicester for our much loved bees and other pollinators, providing additional feeding and shelter opportunities. With the help of local partners and various community groups, over the next 21 months we can help create a more vibrant buzzing city!

Background

The UK has lost over 90% of its wildflower rich grassland since the 1940s, with a move towards more intensive farming and development being the two main causes for this loss of habitat. Many of our pollinator species are in decline with some species restricted to certain parts of the UK. Several bumblebee species have declined significantly within the last 50 years with many other pollinator species at risk.

Why help pollinators?

If you enjoy chocolate, coffee, strawberries, apples, cherries, and many other of our fruits,

vegetables and flowers then you need pollinators! One out of every three mouthfuls of food depends on insect pollination. We need to protect pollinators, as they provide us with all of these luxuries and more, as well as pollinating many of our much loved garden and wildflower plants, providing a service worth millions of pounds!

What we want to achieve

Urban Buzz Leicester will work with local partners, and the community to create 100 buzzing hotspots consisting of bright wildflower patches, swathes of woodland and wetland plants, formal planting schemes, trees for bees, bug hotels, bee banks, and lots more!

The project will provide resources for pollinators throughout the year benefitting a variety of different species including bees, hoverflies, wasps, butterflies, moths, beetles and more, focussing on key stages of their life cycle, and providing key connectivity for pollinators to buzz in abundance.



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