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## **Report on Greening the City**

The Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services team have been implementing a number of greening initiatives within the canals to address the deficit of quality green space and tree canopy cover which was identified in the preparation of the City Parks Strategy and the City Tree Strategy. The first of these initiatives was the Liberties Greening Strategy (2015) which has seen significant success with the opening of two new public parks, Weaver Park and Bridgefoot Street Park together with many interventions involving de-paving and tree planting. Similarly, the North East Inner City has seen the re-development of Diamond Park and the creation of James Joyce Gardens together with many greening interventions. The Stoneybatter Greening Strategy is also seeing progress and other parts of the city are now coming into the frame as communities see the multiple benefits of living and working in a verdant city which offers the opportunity of being close to nature. The presentation at the meeting will set the context and rationale for greening the city, it will illustrate some of the interventions to date and it will consider the challenges to expanding this programme of work.

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