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Action	Projects
Build natural capital into new and existing development to maximise the value that the environment brings across the borough. Plan for and build green and natural areas. Including Council owned and managed land, influence new private developments and look for opportunities in existing areas.	Encourage green and natural areas on all new developments through planning. Opportunities in major developments (housing) – to maximise section 106 and public realm involvement. Smaller schemes – landscaping schemes put on applications Biodiversity Net Gain - encouragement via planning system for developers to bring forward schemes that provide an overall increase in natural habitat and ecological features
	Reducing grass cutting, additional tree planting; sustainable planting; woodland management; wetland management; continue to enhance biodiversity across Council owned greenspace
	Investigate the possibility of introducing green roofs / walls on existing Council buildings / schools
	Improve the outdoor space on our wharf at Portland Basin Museum. We already have a bug hotel and some wooden planters in this space and we want to develop this further to create a community space that encourages biodiversity, interprets the heritage of the area and supports visitors' wellbeing. Commence planting in the empty beds on the carpark to encourage wildlife and to make the area more attractive and welcoming
Increase tree cover and natural capital across the borough	Plant trees on Council owned land in partnership with City of Trees
	Encourage tree planting in school grounds
	Work with City of Trees to encourage tree planning across the borough's industrial estate land and social landlord estates
	Encourage tree planting on all new developments and require that the developer maintains the trees
Ensure that we maintain the greenspaces around Tameside in a way that maximises opportunities for increasing and enhancing biodiversity.	Use of glyphosate reduced in parks and countryside
	Council land managed for biodiversity e.g. wildflower meadows
	Deadwood left on site in urban parks and countryside for habitats
	Encourage biodiversity across our corporate estate by installing bird boxes / insect gardens
	Aim for all residents who have a garden to leave space for wildlife and put up bird boxes and insect gardens
	Encourage uptake of bird boxes through events run by culture and events to make bug hotels / bird boxes within the community
	Consider working with schools and community groups to create habitat piles, large scale bug hotels
Encourage sustainable allotment sites and more growing of produce within the community.	Could have a community growing area in lots of open space. Explore community demand and the funding Develop and publicise community orchards in parks Install rainwater harvesting on Council owned sites and encourage others to do the same Develop community plots on existing allotment sites Develop a community garden at Waterloo Park
	Encourage social landlords to develop growing projects on their own land
	Encourage schools to plant fruit trees or develop growing projects on their own land
	Consider food growing initiatives to link into things like the Real Junkfood Project and a "pay as you feel" community café, to assist with social isolation and food poverty
Ensure that flood risk in Tameside is managed effectively	Maintenance of gullies / drains for flooding
	Critical infrastructure improvement works underway to alleviate flooding issues (inlet grilles to culverts)
	Engineers to consider SUDS when designing new schemes – SUDS hierarchy principles
	Engage with private landowners – to manage uplands in a more sustainable way to reduce water flow and speed further down-stream
	SUDS – look at retrofit opportunities for SUDS across own estate and schools
	Any new private developments should also include SUDS

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| Ecology. Link with work of the Nature Recovery Strategy | Outputs from the GM Local Nature Recovery Strategy will feed into this action |