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To whom it may concern,

I am generally happy with what I have seen of the plan.

I have one comment about Part 1. Under "Objectives for a Green City" on p.18 the plan proposes

"To achieve a 10% net increase on biodiversity across the city as a whole".

My comment is in two parts. Firstly the aim is laudable, but without knowing the baseline figure from which we start, there is no way of knowing how ambitious it is. Ten percent of 10p is 1p and not worth very much, while 10% of £1000 is £100 and certainly worth having. I'm assuming the council has contact with ecologists (e.g. at our two universities) who can advise about methods of measuring biodiversity.

Certainly the more biodiversity we can create across the city - the better, so I would urge the council to be as ambitious as possible. Why not ask for a minimum of 20% increase?

Yours sincerely

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