

Green Infrastructure Partnership Evaluation

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1 Briefly outline your interest, experience and expertise in green infrastructure.

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<p>Interest - personal goal in ensuring GI is embedded into the thinking, design and deployment within the planning process creating a culture of harmony between living and the environment.</p> <p>Experience - limited but seeing huge gaps within a disjointed planning process, particularly within Local Authorities.</p> <p>Expertise - none</p>	475677-475668-47107829
<p>Both professional and personal interest. I have undertaken academic work researching the evaluation of GI plus I have worked in charity sector in a campaigning and advocacy capacity to promote effective adoption of GI policy and practice.</p>	475677-475668-47256893
<p>I am a town planner in a conservation NGO, interested in making GI mainstream.</p>	475677-475668-47324879
<p>I have 30 years professional experience in the fields of natural environment/green infrastructure policy and practice. I have worked for NGOs, statutory agencies and city government</p>	475677-475668-47338491
<p>The Parks Alliance is the only organisation solely championing parks in the UK. Parks are an essential element of green infrastructure.</p>	475677-475668-47424228
<p>MSc Dissertation on Green Roof & Wall Implementation Local Development Plan formulation</p>	475677-475668-47513352
<p>My interest lays in looking for ways and means to maximise the opportunities that GI can provide for the benefit of people and wildlife. I have been working with GI in an ecological advisory capacity for over 10 years. Prior to that, gaining practical experience from the commercial landscaping of new domestic and commercial developments as well as transport infrastructure.</p>	475677-475668-47522167
<p>I am an ecologist working on urban greening through a consultancy called the Green Infrastructure Consultancy Ltd</p>	475677-475668-47549836
<p>Experience in policy and working with communities and local authorities in understanding green infrastructure and including it at neighbourhood and city scales.</p>	475677-475668-47551262
<p>30 years in countryside and suburban greenspace management. Currently</p>	475677-475668-47552962

writing new biodiversity strategy for Maidstone Borough Council.	
Highways ecologist	475677-475668-47553154
Landscape Architect, originally from landscape design background, progressed through to broad-scale landscape planning, including master planning, landscape assessment and producing associated guidance for others to follow in relation to landscape planning and siting and design of development	475677-475668-47555162
Member of GIP since inception. Chartered planner delivering GI through the planning system.	475677-475668-47555381
Parks Development	475677-475668-47557987
The management of GI assets to deliver multiple benefits.	475677-475668-47577082
As a design engineer I have designed, supervised construction and reviewed the success of green infrastructure. I am interested to help join up funding and partnership to deliver more green infrastructure.	475677-475668-47582602
All aspects, incl. planning, design, and build	475677-475668-47658057
I work for a city council in the development Plan Group leading on our work around using the Open Space Strategy as an asset management tool. We're trying to have multi functional space that can be the foundation for nature based solutions to a lot of the climate adaption, health and economic challenges that we face.	475677-475668-47692916
I have expertise in planning, sub surface planning for energy, open space (blue, grey & green) Placemaking .	
I am a member of the GIP. I am managing a collaborative project to develop guidance on the use green infrastructure for improvement of linear assets. I am an environmental scientist (post doc) and Chartered Water and Environmental Manager.	475677-475668-47732551
Research in urban green infrastructure, its relationship to grey and blue infrastructure, and the role of biodiversity. Leading research programmes.	475677-475668-47739453
Background in biology and ecology, progressing to expertise in green infrastructure and climate change adaptation policy.	475677-475668-47733053
Interested active researcher who has looked at assessing the ecosystem benefits of GI	475677-475668-47754329
As an organisation we interested in the multifunctional role that green infrastructure plays, delivering multiple benefits for the people and places that need them most. These benefits support health and wellbeing; make better places to live, learn and work; and enhance resilience to climate change. Our experience and expertise in GI enables us to provide support to, and work with, a range of delivery partners to deliver GI outcomes, particularly around place-making and place-keeping.	475677-475668-47755129
started engagement in topic 2005 Countryside in and around town, paused briefly 2008 with North East Growth Points advice on GI strategy development and implementation became national lead for GI in land use planning context at Natural	475677-475668-47792878

England freeland Gi consultant since 2014	
I have a background in ecology and environmental management. Teaching in the HE sector and also engaging with members of the public in outdoor settings through nature conservation. Also involvement with local authority officers in planning and sustainability issues.	475677-475668-47938579
I am interested in advancing planning policy and practice on green infrastructure, research that helps to make the case for green infrastructure, and opportunities for coordinated lobbying/campainging on the subject. I have experience in research on the role of green infrastructure in achieving climate change mitigation and adaptation. I have presented on planning for green infrastructure and the wider policy context.	475677-475668-47981805
Transforming deprived urban areas in particular through GI. Working with a range of public and third sector developers to deliver large scale projects.	475677-475668-48035212
Professional experiences as a town planner in respect of GI policy in local planning and in creating GI through development management. Further professional experience in national government agencies advising on GI and its relevance to environmental strategies. More recent experience as an academic considering GI as part of the tricky, multi- and cross-disciplinary issues affecting urban areas.	475677-475668-48169568
- Long career in public and private sector organisations working on landscape planning, masterplanning, large scale development planning and local plan policy-making; - Was designing and implementing proposals for networks of open spaces, wildlife corridors, connected open spaces and pedestrian/cycle routes as long ago as 1980s (London, East Midlands and NW England).	475677-475668-48228736
Heritage Coast Officer, keen interest in blue and green infrastructure, connectivity, delivery and management mechanisms. 40 years experience in environmental regeneration, 20 years coastal environment regeneration and management.	475677-475668-48417643
Researcher in environmental planning and governance. Like to see how GI fits within wider place-making strategies.	475677-475668-48490758
Flooding background professional tasked with coordination role for driving better delivery of sustainable surface water management - ie more BGI and less grey.	475677-475668-49072031
academic	475677-475668-49134311
My interest is in the social dimensions of green infrastructure - particularly the equity and fairness dimensions of green infrastructure in a climate change adaptation context.	475677-475668-49135007
Work with local communities and third sector organisations to raise awareness, appreciation, quality and opportunities for shared responsibility for GI. Practical and fundraising expertise	475677-475668-49185691
Chartered Landscape Architect with experience in landscape deisgn and landscape planning work. This has included a 'landscape masterplan' (would now be called Green infrastructrue Plan) for 5000 home settlement extension, including landscape assessment to identify suitable areas for	475677-475668-49186664

development and suitable areas for open space and woodland structure, and incorporating a large community forest type project with planting in advance of development; and latterly on a national assessment of urban tree canopy cover.	
Working for a nature partnership concerned about urban nature and improved urban planning	475677-475668-49227986
Landscape Architect with experience of implementing and planning green infrastructure through projects and producing a strategy & SPG	475677-475668-49230940
working on the Wesr of England GI Strategy. Writing GI policy for joint strategic plans. Implementing GI as mitigating actions in HRAs.	475677-475668-49241675
Will be involved in creating policy for creating new developments hence interested in how to increase green infrastructure to enable us achieve zero carbon targets. Very little experience or expertise in this at the moment	475677-475668-49353062
GI practitioner for many years, currently focusing on biodiversity in the housing sector, but previously looking at roles around resilience and health and wellbeing.	475677-475668-49497915
I am a member of the GIP sounding board. I am a project manager working to develop green infrastructure guidance for linear infrastructure sectors. I am an Environmental Scientist and Chartered Water and Environmental Manager. I am particularly interested in the multiple benefits of green infrastructure.	475677-475668-49558590
I am a researcher interested in design, planning, and community engagement around sustainable urban transformation and landscape scale bio-cultural conservation. I have been working in this field for over 10 years.	475677-475668-49646046
University researcher into the delivery of green infrastructure	475677-475668-50114608
MSc Urban Forestry, 15yrs active in local projects through a small environmental charity. Particular interest in wilder areas	475677-475668-50114891
Member of a Neighbourhood Plan Steering group. Urban/ Rural area under density pressure. Valuable green corridors , Green Belt, Green open spaces, and AONB. Some groundwater/ storm water issues due old infrastructure and increasing density. M25 nearby and lots of housing pressure as elsewhere. Been active at community level since 2006 with the NP and a predecessor Town Health Check. Have some knowledge and data on groundwater, the economy, transport, services and housing/planning	475677-475668-50115154
Led GI work for major organisation for 9 years before retirement	475677-475668-50114617
Vice Chairman Planning Policy, Tandridge District Council. Board Member Surrey Hills AONB.	475677-475668-50117625
I'm a landscape architect with a phd the contextual reading for which has given me a breadth fo kowledge particulary around people's phenomenological engagement with landsape. I am on the committtee of the Upper Don Walk GI route (Sheffield). Having reseached GI delivery it had been sad to find nil delivery funding.	475677-475668-50119053

I have worked as an academic teaching planning mainly to masters students. During my teaching I became interested in the topic with an ecologist colleague. We have written, published and organised conference sessions about ecosystems services, with a focus on fresh water.	475677-475668-50119743
Leader of conservation groups for over 12 years and participant in conservation work for about 5 years prior to that.	475677-475668-50120204
RoW Manager for 20 years Contributor to the Herts GIP Delivery of access projects identified in the GIP	475677-475668-50120285
working for a landscape charity who promotes enjoyment and wellbeing gained from the landscape, so GI is integral to that	475677-475668-50122392
Ecological consultant with particular knowledge of ecosystem services and natural capital, biodiversity net gain and green infrastructure	475677-475668-50122773
Environmental professional in construction industry. Currently on housebuilding. Previously highways infrastructure (local and high speed)	475677-475668-50122837
Working as a policy adviser and land agent	475677-475668-50123724
On a personal level I love the outdoors and strongly believe that good access to high quality public open space / public realm is a fundamental right of every citizen.	475677-475668-50123685
My particular interest is in how green infrastructure may assist in mitigating the impacts of air pollution, e.g. the use of green walls and urban planting. Wider interests include biodiversity net gain and landscape planning, particularly in an urban environment, sharing information in these areas with colleagues with these specialist interests.	475677-475668-50124148
Applications to current and future project work - role in helping manage water, mitigate impacts of climate change. Access for all for health and wellbeing	475677-475668-50124732
I represent a neighbourhood community anchor organisation with a keen interest in regeneration. I formerly worked for as local environmental charity. Apart from drafting a few GI bids I have limited expertise to share.	475677-475668-50125237
landscape architect in L Gov Planning	475677-475668-50125367
have been working in the area for 10 years - policy, guidance and projects.	475677-475668-50126053
Developed a green infrastructure framework, plan and action plan for local authority.	475677-475668-50125945
Application of Research to practice. Tools for informing decisions and community engagement	475677-475668-50126473
Environment and sustainability manager for large place-making schemes in a major global city, responsible for developing and maintaining the project management system to deliver the schemes, setting strategy and policy for the company to improve business performance and manage corporate risk to the company and the people it serves. This includes advising and advocating for GI.	475677-475668-50126960
Interest primarily in relation to the Built Environment, and especially Green/Living Walls	475677-475668-50126774

with PhD students have carried out research into biodiversity of green walls (and urban hedges) and particulate capture by plants in living walls Authored a book on Green Infrastructure: Incorporating Plants and Enhancing Biodiversity in Buildings and Urban Environments (Routledge, 2015).	
Interest in recreational access and the part green infrastructure can play in providing that.	475677-475668-50128643
Director of the London Parks & Gardens Trust	475677-475668-50129902
30 years of work in the environmental sector - Recognition of the critical importance of "green infrastructure" on a landscape scale for health and well being as well as sustainable life	475677-475668-50128248
Worked in the public sector for over 30 years. Involved in original 'green belt management' programme. Contributed to and led parish to county + GI strategies, including community forests.	475677-475668-50138987
Use to be a strategic Green Spaces Officer which included Green Infrastructure being captured for the district and used to help formulate core planning policies and comment on planning applications accordingly in regards to GI onsite or off site provision as well as community facilities provision. Also contributed to the Aylesbury Vale District Council Green Infrastructure Strategy as well as Buckinghamshire Green Infrastructure Strategy and subsequent delivery plan documents. Also responsible for the green infrastructure elements of any leisure audits carried out by the council. Represented council at NEP and partnership collaboration work on GI projects within the district	475677-475668-50139244
Embedding GI policy and good practice in local authority and partner local plans and strategies. Involved in producing GI policy and identifying/developing projects and working. Significant experience in landscape scale management and more recently (3 yrs)GI focused. Developing expertise in understanding of current GI work/tools/delivery	475677-475668-50138546
I currently work for a strategic highway managing agent with approx. 1,500ha of soft estate strung out on a regional scale. My background is local authority tree and woodland management although presently my role covers landscape, ecology and wider environmental issues.	475677-475668-50124632
As a social environmental researcher, I am interested in urban forest, street trees and urban parks. I was also involved in the London i-Tree survey as a volunteer tree surveyor	475677-475668-50145896
Town planner with a great interest in the natural environment working at both the strategic and local levels.	475677-475668-50146543
Have worked in surface water / flood risk management for over 15 years, mainly on the fringes of GI. Have more recently moved into a local council role as a drainage engineer for the mandatory sustainable drainage approvals on new developments in Wales, which puts GI (SuDS) at the heart of delivery.	475677-475668-50153741
33 years working in nature conservation, parkland management and landscape/biodiversity planning.	475677-475668-50154773

See green infrastructure as an essential tool to deliver sustainable development. Over 15 years involvement on policy and concepts underpinning GI.	475677-475668-50156534
My interest in GI reflects the multi-functional approach of my role as a ranger. The social and economic benefits of GI are becoming quite obvious and I have been gathering training where ever possible. Whilst GI contributes chiefly to energy and resource efficiency, the provision for habitat management and ecology adds to the professional satisfaction.	475677-475668-50164518
planning policy officer with responsibility for Green Infrastructure policy, sustainability and climate change. Thesis in sustainability in planning. Worked in the field of climate change and green issues for over 25 years	475677-475668-50174430
Professional interest as development director of an environmental charity	475677-475668-50202183
Have worked on green infrastructure policy and delivery in the US and UK for more than a decade.	475677-475668-50197838

2 Briefly state the nature of the work you do and your main priorities. You should not name your organisation directly unless you wish to do so.

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Innovation and Technology in part working in the field of Smart Garden Cities and Villages. Charles Sellers, CEO Innovation and Technology Group	475677-475668-47107829
Currently I am working to promote biodiversity protection and enhancement in the UK planning system and in development. The main priorities are to increase support for local authorities who are increasingly under resourced in this area. In addition to help raise awareness about the importance of biodiversity and tools to protect it in the building and construction development sector.	475677-475668-47256893
Working to put woods and trees at the heart of planning policy.	475677-475668-47324879
I lead on green infrastructure policy for city government. This involves: ensuring a sound policy framework in citywide spatial plans and strategies; influencing government and statutory agency policy and programmes; advising and supporting borough councils; convening and co-ordinating a citywide partnership to encourage more joined up working between multiple stakeholders.	475677-475668-47338491
The Parks Alliance (TPA) is the voice of UK parks, representing the people and organisations that create, maintain, invest in and use the public green spaces that we are proud to have at the heart of British life. We campaign at local, regional, UK and EU levels to ensure that parks are properly funded, their roles recognized and developed, and that the benefits that they provide are clearly understood and recognized. TPA is a not for profit company working to promote and protect the public parks we are proud to have at the heart of UK life and culture.	475677-475668-47424228

<p>The UK-wide Alliance includes over 300 organisations and senior park industry figures from local government parks services, private contractors, industry bodies, NGOs and volunteer and park friends groups.</p> <p>The Alliance works to:</p> <p>Promote the issues and developments to enable parks and open spaces and the people who use them to thrive</p> <p>Understand and share best practice in the management and care of parks and open spaces within the sector and more widely.</p>	
<p>Implementation of Natural Resources Policy</p> <p>Monitoring of work carried out by Keep Wales Tidy on Eco Schools and Size of Wales on tree planting in Uganda</p>	475677-475668-47513352
<p>I work with green space managers, developers and their consultant architects and ecologists looking to add people and wildlife value.</p>	475677-475668-47522167
<p>I write policy (eg London living roofs policy), produce green infrastructure strategies (eg Swansea GI strategy), undertaken GI audits, plan, design, specify green roofs, green walls and rain gardens and advise on fixing failed projects.</p>	475677-475668-47549836
<p>Research, development of guidance, part of European research projects.</p>	475677-475668-47551262
<p>Not for profit conservation organisation, seeking to maintain and enhance biodiversity, provide life long out door learning opportunities, land management advice, volunteering support and more.</p>	475677-475668-47552962
<p>Management of road verges. Protected species issues. Invasive species issues. Compliance with Environmental laws, regulations and guidelines..</p>	475677-475668-47553154
<p>Government environmental body with national remit - landscape specialist role to support environmental assessment, policy making, guidance and advice.</p>	475677-475668-47555162
<p>Support the creation of planning policies which require GI creation, engage with planning applications to ensure GI creation is incorporated as per policy.</p> <p>Manage and deliver urban tree planting grant.</p>	475677-475668-47555381
<p>Improving parks. Seeking to create connections between green spaces</p>	475677-475668-47557987
<p>Manage GI assets with a priority of delivering multiple benefits from them.</p>	475677-475668-47577082
<p>As a design engineer my main priorities are having opportunities to design and build more green infrastructure and demonstrate the wider benefits to other stakeholders where it is the most appropriate option. I want to see joint funding and alignment of drivers of different stakeholders to deliver multibenefit schemes.</p>	475677-475668-47582602
<p>Policy and research</p>	475677-475668-47658057
<p>Lead for embedding nature based solutions via a H2020 Project.</p> <p>Lead for embedding NBS within Development plan policies</p> <p>Lead for strategic implementation of placestandard</p> <p>Open space strategy opportunity mapping and use as asset management tool.</p>	475677-475668-47692916
<p>Lead for WHS (it's kind of underground)</p>	

Flood alleviation energy	
I am a project manager for collaborative projects involving green and blue infrastructure. Main priorities are to engender appreciation of benefits of blue and green infrastructure across relevant professions and organisations and to encourage implementation of good GI wherever possible	475677-475668-47732551
Investigating the role of GI-Biodiversity in Natural Capital and Ecosystem Services.	475677-475668-47739453
I ensure that my organisation's policy commitments with regard to green infrastructure and climate change adaptation are monitorable, monitored and implemented.	475677-475668-47733053
This is small part of my work now due to funding issues. I would like to prioritise getting out the message about the multiple benefits of GI and how to capture them	475677-475668-47754329
We are a public sector body. Our priorities are to advise on the natural environment and ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.	475677-475668-47755129
GI consultancy work, -strategy-policy-implementation interface GI knowledge exchange and transfer, e.g. activity on twitter, GI Resource Library making case for investment in GI (e.g. study for Oxon CC)	475677-475668-47792878
My work is education but outside of work, I am an activist and volunteer promoting nature sensitive development. Restoration of degraded habitats and preventing further loss has taken quite a lot of my time.	475677-475668-47938579
As the Policy Manager for the Royal Town Planning Institute I work on policy and research related to infrastructure, strategic planning, climate change and smart cities.	475677-475668-47981805
Project and Funding Officer for SNH's Green Infrastructure Fund. Five outcomes: biodiversity, climate change, participation, health, socio-economic development (sustainable economic activity).	475677-475668-48035212
Currently working as an academic, investigating the opportunities for GI as part of integrated urban solutions, interested in how new digital technology and be combined with nature in urban areas to provide more benefits for people and inform new styles of service delivery.	475677-475668-48169568
As above - landscape planning, masterplanning, design/planning large scale development projects, local plan policy-making; In recent years have worked principally on regeneration of heritage sites and buildings, contributed to design review panels and community planning programmes; Main priorities - strategic landscape planning, policy planning, landscape futures, also engaging with GIP (TCPA), GIP North (Mersey Forest) and City of Trees (Gt. Manchester), and volunteering with Landscape Institute (public policy issues)	475677-475668-48228736
Heritage Coast Partnership brings together those interested in the protection and enhancement of defined heritage coast.	475677-475668-48417643

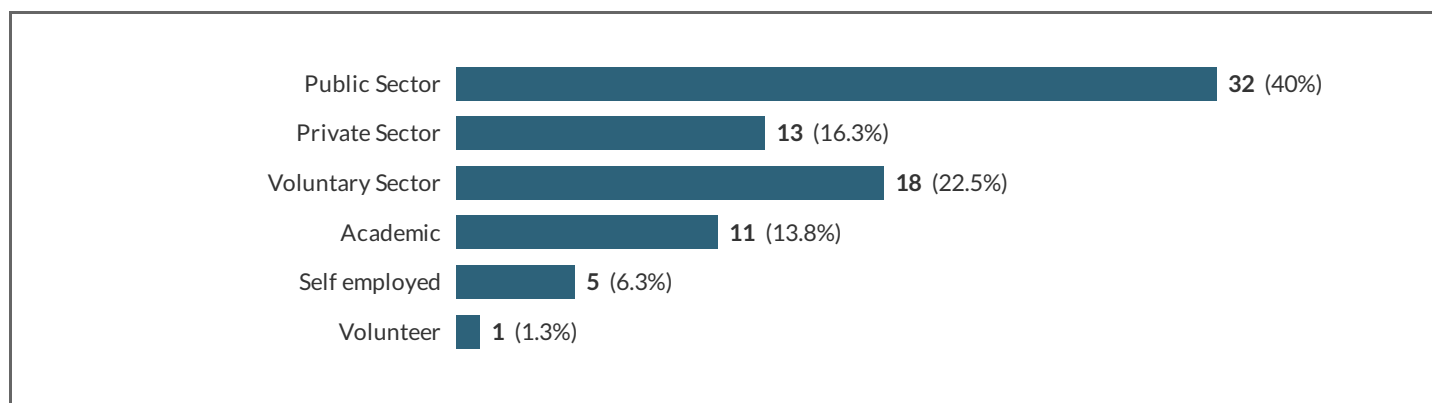
Priorities are landscape scale improvement, removing damaging activity, managing people and habitat connectivity (and improvement).	
Professor in a university teaching, research and admin key priority is improving mainstreaming nature in policy and decision making.	475677-475668-48490758
Flooding background professional tasked with coordination role for driving better delivery of sustainable surface water management - ie more BGI and less grey.	475677-475668-49072031
research	475677-475668-49134311
I am an environmental social scientist at a UK university, with a focus in my research on complex environmental issues where social desirability/acceptability needs to be balanced with what is scientifically appropriate. My main priorities are climate adaptation governance at the municipal level, and international/comparative research with a focus on east-/south-east Asia.	475677-475668-49135007
Trustee within an organisation seeking behavioural and policy change and engagement of local people in their environmental quality. Current priorities are reducing litter and graffiti (to encourage exploration of local GI), enhancing its quality and empowering children and local people to care for it	475677-475668-49185691
Within a wider national agency public sector landscape evidence and guidance role, to advocate more and better green infrastructure to address climate adaptation, biodiversity loss and health and wellbeing needs of society. It's a broad role where we set the agenda to influence policy and projects that others develop, and not a limited specific role like a project officer type post.	475677-475668-49186664
LNP	475677-475668-49227986
Currently work for a consultee organisation so advice to planning applications and LDPs includes advice on GI Assessments/Strategies and planning proposals	475677-475668-49230940
Working to deliver strategic plans and policies across multiple UAs. Priorities: Embedding nature into planning policy. Ensuring plans conserve and enhance the natural environment. Ensuring GI data and intelligence is consistent and accurate to inform policy and master planning.	475677-475668-49241675
Policy maker in local government. Believe in being green to our core. Have target of Zero carbon by 2050	475677-475668-49353062
Empowering people and communities to take collective action for biodiversity - exploring the impact of community-scale action on the effectiveness of domestic wildlife interventions	475677-475668-49497915
I work for CIRIA, the Construction Industry Research and Information Association. I am a project manager; I work with multi-disciplinary groups to develop good practice guidance.	475677-475668-49558590

<p>Two things:</p> <p>broadly: thinking through the social and political implications of 'thinking of nature as infrastructure.</p> <p>More narrowly: how GI is defined and operationalized in US city planning, how affected communities are engaged in defining, implementing, and evaluating GI projects, if at all.</p> <p>Further interest: international/cultural comparisons of the above issues.</p>	475677-475668-49646046
Research interest is working with practitioners to review and enhance green infrastructure delivery	475677-475668-50114608
Initiating and delivering small scale projects, often with edibles	475677-475668-50114891
Getting a Neighbourhood plan through examination, with a parallel L A examination just ahead of us. Keeping the green infrastructure against a shifting set of climate, carbon, govt policy and finding a way through the puzzle palace, whilst keeping the towns people engaged, healthy and the economy in balance.	475677-475668-50115154
Now retired but retain interest and pass info onto my son who is involved with natural capital	475677-475668-50114617
Oversee Local Plan evolution and readiness for examination. Make sure organisations are ready for 2050.	475677-475668-50117625
My work is largely unrelated to GI - though I am tryign to make sure cycle and pedestrian routes consider present and future links beyond the red boundary.	475677-475668-50119053
Until recently I worked in a European funded role running climate change related educational activities in several universities. I was made redundant in June. I am currently a self employed reseacher. I am interested in the potential of ecosystems services for future paid work.	475677-475668-50119743
Restoration of herb rich grasslands on public land as a volunteer	475677-475668-50120204
Maintenance and improvement of the public RoW & Access networks in Herts, Linking RoWIP aims and desires to link town to town, villages onto towns and people into the countryside, Circular routes, safe routes, routes for blind, partially sighted and disabled users, multi-user routes.	475677-475668-50120285
landscape and all the public benefits it delivers	475677-475668-50122392
Major Infrastructure projects	475677-475668-50122773
House building. Working on all aspects of sustainability. Sorry strategic direction and on the ground operational control.	475677-475668-50122837
<p>Key focus:</p> <p>Adorable homes -energy and heat</p> <p>Low carbon</p> <p>Biodiversity net gain forthcoming requirements</p> <p>Regeneration areas around developments and NEETS</p> <p>Pollution and surface water protection</p>	

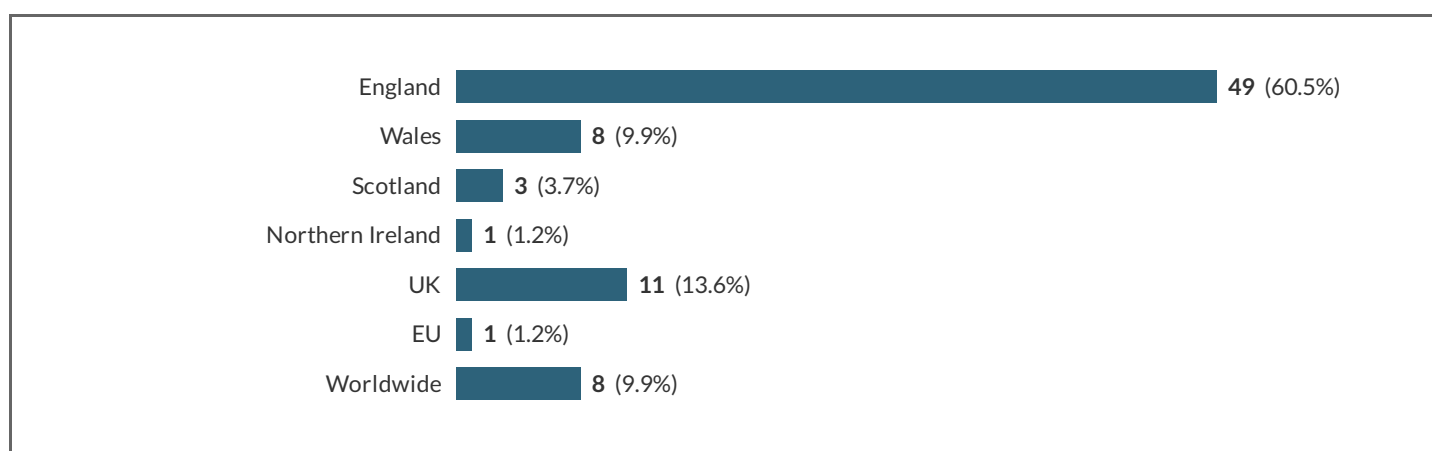
<p>Drainage and surface water protection.</p> <p>Waste and resource efficiency</p>	
Conservation acquisition projects and conservation site development	475677-475668-50123724
Landscape Architect - interested in multi-functional benefits of GI and complete integration of SUDS in particular. Also interested in the climate change mitigation potential of GI.	475677-475668-50123685
Air quality consultant offering services to a range of clients including private developers and local authorities.	475677-475668-50124148
Support communities and VCS to understand the natural environment, its governance and how they can manage and improve their 'place' through volunteering, working proactively with statutory partners and building policies in to local planning i.e. District and Neighbourhood Planning.	475677-475668-50124732
Neighbourhood regeneration. We are keen to increase the greenery of our area, the ecosystems capacity and maximise climate change mitigation gains. We also love parks and think urban populations should enjoy the natural world more.	475677-475668-50125237
contribute to Planning Policy and act on front line commenting/ influencing Planning Applications of all scales	475677-475668-50125367
trying to get GI built in as standard with emphasis on connectivity, people and nature, sustainable routes and climate change adaptation. Putting landscape at all scales into early stage planning.	475677-475668-50126053
linked to community plan, local development plan, planning applications & environmental projects	475677-475668-50125945
Improving planning and development outcomes	475677-475668-50126473
Environment and sustainability manager for large place-making schemes in a major global city, responsible for developing and maintaining the project management system to deliver the schemes, setting strategy and policy for the company to improve business performance and manage corporate risk to the company and the people it serves. This includes advising and advocating for GI.	475677-475668-50126960
Have recently retired, but maintain an interest - may write on the subject. Not active in research now.	475677-475668-50126774
Statutory local access forum. Priority remit is to provide advice on the improvement of public access to land and the enjoyment thereof. Work with a group of members, appointed by the local highway authority, who represent the interests of access users, land managers and other relevant interests.	475677-475668-50128643
Part of the Gardens Trust movement - have responsibility as a Statutory Consultee in the Planning process to endeavour to secure the integrity of historic green landscapes.	475677-475668-50129902
Chair of an environmental charity for 16 years trying to deliver green infrastructure benefits in west London	475677-475668-50128248
Currently supporting delivery of Water Framework Directive obligations across two catchments.	475677-475668-50138987
Working directly with partners to devise, programme and deliver GI	

improvements. Some involvement in environmental offsetting/net gain/natural capital valuation	
Currently working as a tree officer at South Bucks District Council and main responsibilities is to consider trees as part of the planning process when applications are submitted as well as considering work to legally protected trees.	475677-475668-50139244
GI Coordinator involved in GI policy and projects and working with other services in the Council including public health. Also lead on developing regional GI Strategy working with 4 unitary authorities and combined authority.	475677-475668-50138546
As above. Our primary role is to minimise the impact of our activities on the environment, maximise the benefits of our soft estate, and manage the soft estate to allow the safe and unhindered function of the highway.	475677-475668-50124632
I am a Research Associate working on forestry policy, biodiversity conservation, natural resource management and, increasingly, on urban infrastructure.	475677-475668-50145896
I facilitate a Local Nature Partnership and am Joint Secretary of Marches Nature Partnership (an alliance between Herefordshire LNP and Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin LNP primarily to liaise with Marches Local Enterprise Partnership. I am also involved in preparing a number of Neighbourhood Plans. My interest is in supporting communities to take forward strategic policies and measures into the local context.	475677-475668-50146543
Approval, inspection, adoption and maintenance of surface water drainage systems. We have a solid framework of national standards that emphasise the important role that GI can play, but are currently faced with challenges in convincing developers to invest time and money in working to a new approach. We have legislative timelines and require substantial technical information early in the process, which is also a new challenge for developers.	475677-475668-50153741
Head of environment for a charitable trust that owns and maintains 2,500 or public parks, nature reserves and other types of GI. Also work with developers over the design and adoption of new parks and GI.	475677-475668-50154773
Working with local authorities and others to help shape policy and governance to help deliver green infrastructure on the ground	475677-475668-50156534
I manage a countryside site in an urban environment and can see the benefits of sustainable natural resources and access to 'green space'. My main priorities are practical habitat and ecological management, client and stake holder engagement, H&S, site maintenance.	475677-475668-50164518
Local Authority planning policy officer with responsibility for Green Infrastructure policy, among other topics.	475677-475668-50174430
Urban tree planting and establishment. We engage local communities and volunteers to plant and care for their trees.	475677-475668-50202183
Develop and implement the Mayor's London Environment Strategy and London Plan policies related to GI and climate adaptation.	475677-475668-50197838

2.a What kind of organisation do you work for?



2.b Which part of the UK or elsewhere does your work mainly cover?



3 What do you see as the main challenges facing green infrastructure policy, practice and/or research?

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ignorance amongst those that develop/promote the policy and those wider parties (individuals and organisations) that need to comply. Both act as silos with very little apparent communication or awareness seen. 2. Perceived value based on below standard communication. 3. Probably too much research where results are not disseminated to all parties in plain and understandable terms. 	475677-475668-47107829
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lack of shared understanding about GI - particularly in construction sector and particularly in relation to multi-functional multi-scalar ecosystem services. 2. Reducing resources in local authorities to regulate and promote strategic management and delivery of GI 3. Lack of formal evaluative tools that support a more multi-functional multi-scalar perception of GI. 	475677-475668-47256893
The challenge of viability and low standards are the primary issues preventing high quality development. IPAs need to be empowered to make	475677-475668-47324879

preventing high quality development. LAs need to be empowered to make better decisions.	
From a policy perspective it is the lack of leadership and clarity or purpose from Government and statutory agencies. From a practice perspective it has been the hollowing out of specialist staff and dedicated budgets in the public sector. Although private sector resources can play an important role it's necessary for the public sector to shape, steer and monitor green infrastructure delivery to ensure public goods and benefits are being optimised.	475677-475668-47338491
Making the case for investment into green infrastructure alongside "traditional" investment into urban infrastructure. Well being economics versus growth economics.	475677-475668-47424228
Having enough data that allows local authorities to write strong policies requiring quality GI as part of development.	475677-475668-47513352
Lack of understanding about what the problems are with GI delivery.	
Silo approach at pre-master planning - ecologists and landscape architects should work closely to deliver a more holistic GI to benefit people and wildlife. There's a lack of funding and resource in local government for anyone to oversee the quality of work carried out. This applies to the design and delivery process of new GI and the long term maintenance of new or existing GI. Contractors lack interest and ability to follow even the simplest of instruction provided in any form of media. There are no budgets available either for training of staff at the various levels of required to deliver GI across the disciplines from local government to green space managers.	475677-475668-47522167
People stuck in their ways. Obsession with money.	475677-475668-47549836
Scaling and embedding. Understanding of and realising multifunctional benefits.	475677-475668-47551262
Government policy. Could do more to embed good practice in planning process.	475677-475668-47552962
Shifting emphasis on criteria for funding awards. Repercussions and aftermath following exit from European Union. Potential for inertia following a growth in interest from policy makers without substantial back up for successful delivery.	475677-475668-47553154
The GI concept is now widely accepted, the policy revolution is following on quite well, but there remains a huge gap at the local authority and developer implementation levels. Perhaps that lag is inevitable and will pass, but (1) lack of specialist Landscape Architecture skillsets in the public sector at local authority level, is compounded by (2) public sector austerity. (3) Lack of ambition in the design of proposals is matched by the (4) lack of ambition by planning authorities of 'master planning' green infrastructure at a Forward Planning stage, in the way they do for future roads or other 'grey' infrastructure.	475677-475668-47555162
Capacity at Local Authorities. Staff levels and experience of staff members limiting ability to deliver GI projects. Pressure on the planning system to deliver more, GI being squeezed out as quantity of homes takes priority.	475677-475668-47555381
Who will maintain all this new Green Infrastructure? Everyone likes it and	475677-475668-47557087

who will maintain all this new green infrastructure? Everyone likes it and wants it, but there is very little discussion about who will maintain it.	475677-475668-47557987
Mainstreaming in policy and following this through to delivery when set against other competing demands.	475677-475668-47577082
Challenges of lessons learnt not being shared.	475677-475668-47582602
Lack of clarity/specificity, skills deficits, low investment, maintenance unaccounted for	475677-475668-47658057
Still seen as a silo activity. People deal with flooding or energy or housing or suds or open space or green stuff. Forget all the different spaces. Get confused by the language - do the general public actually understand (do professionals understand) ecosystem management; biodiversity, greenspace v openspace. Will NERC start to fund projects that Local authorities want and need working in coproduction. Fed up with academics getting funding for "old news" and then not understanding why it is not being implemented. "nothing about us, is for us, with out us". Local authorities as well as research bodies and big business.	475677-475668-47692916
Economic challenges forcing environmental considerations to be reduced in priority in decision making, lack of understanding of multiple benefits of use of green infrastructure, political pressure to deliver economic growth as priority.	475677-475668-47732551
Lack of capacity, capability and understanding in Local Authorities, coupled with resistance to change.	475677-475668-47739453
Poor levels of understanding of the economic benefits of green infrastructure amongst senior leadership, likely based on their backgrounds as engineers. There is extremely limited funding available for in-house GI experts and major GI programmes and so intervention is limited to minor changes to existing practice. Defra has not helped with its biodiversity net gain proposals that are unhelpful (if not counterproductive) in urban areas, and the Environment Agency's draft FCERM strategy requiring all risk management authority projects and programmes to deliver biodiversity net gain. This is overreach and far too precipitate. Government needs to think far more carefully about BNG and GI.	475677-475668-47733053
realistic quantification fo the multiple benefits especially when some want everything in GBP terms. Also how to realise this multifunctionality of land can be used/managed to deliver different policy objectives	475677-475668-47754329
Strengthening of policy and legislation for green infrastructure Loss of resources for GI planning at local authority level Long term funding and governance of green infrastructure Inequality in access to green infrastructure and the services it provides Climate change and the impacts on GI Biodiversity loss Growth agenda placing increasing pressure GI and natural capital	475677-475668-47755129
austerity, government doing some talking, but not enough walking on the natural environment too much knowledge, too much duplication of effort (how many guides on	475677-475668-47792878

<p>SUDS of GI & health can you possibly produce) not looking at best practice and available guidance etc outside UK (especially if not written in English) i've been to too many workshops where we talked about something I had already talked about before, going round in circles (do we really want to talk about definition of GI again) academics don't help by asking too academic (not helpful for implementation) questions academics don't do the right research that would help (making the case for) implementation academics don't communicate their research in a way that is helpful for practitioners & policy makers</p>	
<p>Fear of trying new and innovative approaches. Developers and engineers rely on techniques that they are comfortable with and can be unwilling to consider new methods. Similarly, planners (massively hindered by local authority cuts) lack the capacity to really promote new solutions and seem to be cowed by the demands of developments. Not true in all cases, but there is an unwillingness for LA's to challenge poor schemes for fear of having to foot costs if developers wish to appeal.</p>	<p>475677-475668-47938579</p>
<p>Consistent good practice is held back by a fragmented and complex landscape of green infrastructure governance and funding when compared to other 'traditional' infrastructure sectors where - despite their own complexity - organisational structures and funding regimes have built up over a longer period of time.</p>	<p>475677-475668-47981805</p>
<p>Translating national planning policy into local policy and then implementing policy. Convincing developers that GI makes sound financial sense.</p>	<p>475677-475668-48035212</p>
<p>Major gap between policy and the acceptance of the importance of GI for urban futures and its actual delivery on the ground. Even if delivery of GI occurs, integration with other local government and other agendas is weak.</p>	<p>475677-475668-48169568</p>
<p>Lack of awareness within government and public agencies (esp Treasury), unhelpful focus on house-building numbers rather than on liveability of places, general lack of funding, widespread lack of expertise;</p>	<p>475677-475668-48228736</p>
<p>Delivering connectivity at scale; policy and finance support for implementation; long term commitment to management and maintenance. Contrast the Catchment Based Approach for water environment, its successes and failures with existing complex natural environment protection, access, planning policy mechanics.</p>	<p>475677-475668-48417643</p>
<p>Its secondary nature in policy and decisions. Struggling to compete with economic interests. The silos that exist hinder GI uptake and that includes the GI sector itself.</p>	<p>475677-475668-48490758</p>
<p>Weakness of local authority BGI policy and requirements for new development. ScW failure to require 'treatment' SuDS for new development that connects to combined sewer network (they only require attenuation), which makes it harder to disconnect at a later date. Lack of funding for retrofit BGI, which often has low BCR due to high cost to install in urban environments.</p>	<p>475677-475668-49072031</p>

Weak planning controls with regard to urban creep. Lack of detailed knowledge of scale / rate of urban creep.	
lack of mainstreaming research focused on new tools rather than building on existing systems.	475677-475668-49134311
Keeping up with a very fast-moving policy landscape and international discourse. Indeed if we look to key opinion-shapers e.g. ICLEI, the EU and others, the focus seems to have shifted towards 'nature-based solutions.' The challenge is to keep green infrastructure - which comes from a very specific technical background - relevant within this fast-moving landscape. Also, the quite wordy and technical nature of green infrastructure definitions (and the very picky nature of some of its proponents in policing who is/is not allowed to call something 'green infrastructure' and deciding what is/is not 'green infrastructure') can be intimidating and offputting to outsiders seeking to engage with and learn from the community.	475677-475668-49135007
Embedding the importance of GI in 'mainstream' policy sectors, particularly in their prevention role. For example switching funds from curing to preventing then to enhancing. Applies to health and economic areas in particular. Also behaviour change in policy influencers and makers around climate change and health and from economic growth to well being of future generations	475677-475668-49185691
1. lack of skill and vision at local authority level - made worse by brain drain of austerity 9eg lack of landscape officers, ecologists, tree officers; 2. until recently, lack of sufficient national policy support to make the step change to mainstream GI 3. resistance from volume house builders and other developers who seem to want to persist with their known successful economic model of building high density legoland. 4. the need to site and design development to see how few hard surfaces we really need: eg how much of a car park can we lay as reinforced grass instead of tarmac, how much of a street can we have tree canopy over, and how may houses can we have direct access into greenspace from?	475677-475668-49186664
Lack of statutory protection ; needs to be on a par with other interests. always optional therefore rarely done.	475677-475668-49227986
Embedding GI in planning projects in the early stages & implementation on the ground in the face of pressure for housing numbers & density, lack of space in schemes. Lack of funding for strategic/non-planning related projects/short term funding and loss of in-house staff expertise to take forward in local authorities.	475677-475668-49230940
Funding Steer from government on agreed standards, metrics, goals. Research into natural capital. Detailed and consistent mapping intelligence.	475677-475668-49241675
Not enough emphasis by government. Not in mainstream yet. Disparate parties involved and creating proprietary "templates/how to" achieve green infrastructure in mainstream development market. Resistance by developers.	475677-475668-49353062
Lack of (or unwillingness to accept existing) robust whole life cost/benefit	475677-475668-49497915

analyses when compared to equivalent conventional infrastructure solutions	
<p>Policy - expertise and resources required to effectively translate high level policy into local policy</p> <p>Practice - lack of funding, silo working, reliance on traditional ways of working, lack of awareness of multiple benefits of gi, lack of joined up approach, difficulties of retrofit</p> <p>Research - differing priorities for funding</p>	475677-475668-49558590
<p>In the US urban context: green gentrification and magnification of existing inequalities in access to high quality urban spaces and exposure to both human created and 'natural' hazards.</p> <p>More generally; the idea that nature can be made to compensate for technologically produced harms without evolving the technologies producing those harms.</p>	475677-475668-49646046
Lack of funding (stemming from a lack of government interest) to translate policy into practice	475677-475668-50114608
Its got to be urban land use - creating new green spaces along with new development, as well as protecting existing ones	475677-475668-50114891
Keeping the flow of credible ideas, best practice, regulation and networking across town groups and wider South East and UK going. Understanding the real risks rather than the scaremongering ones and realising that change now is essential but will not come free.	475677-475668-50115154
Mainstreaming into other work plus resources.GI has come a long way in the last 18 years but still need to push the economic and social benefits with partners	475677-475668-50114617
Too many people in positions of influence are dragging their feet on the matter of net zero carbon. Change in attitude needs to speed up dramatically. This may have to be done by recruiting the people who have the right approach. There's lots of good policy, just needs bringing forward.	475677-475668-50117625
<p>Lack of funding at delivery level.</p> <p>Lack of communication to other groups/ initiatives eg. Active Travel (I was at a half day confernece on AT in London in which GI was never mentioned until I raised it.)</p>	475677-475668-50119053
The policy focus on Brexit to the exclusion of everything else. Lack of funding for local government, the Environment Agency and Natural England. Aside from the amount of funding the short term nature of funding settlements makes longer term projects that include monitoring and evaluation very difficult.	475677-475668-50119743
Public interest, awareness, engagement and rate of accepting that we face a catastrophe; Government willingness to bring in meaningful policy changes; Council willingness to deliver habitat improvement; a slow catch up process in terms of mapping opportunities for mapping including putting LA assets on to GIS and making data publicly available.	475677-475668-50120204
<p>Funding and lack of status in planners' very long-lists of considerations for PP</p> <p>Need to drive home the new net gain planning framework as more than mitigation for all new developments and as a material consideration of</p>	475677-475668-50120285

weight (not bottom of the list)	
integrating the concept with all the others that are up and coming, eg natural capital, biodiversity offsetting, etc Having to prove that GI has economic benefits too and compete with the usual but x development provides x jobs so is always more important than the environment. the GI research is invaluable in this context	475677-475668-50122392
Funding	475677-475668-50122773
Exclusion of public projects from net gain requirements. Climate change adaptation Competing priorities in a low funding environment - social initiatives, net zero carbon etc.... Green infrastructure needs to push contribution to the aims	475677-475668-50122837
Delivering green infrastructure in commercial development	475677-475668-50123724
Lack of relevant legislation (eg. in relation to SUDS), lack of confidence (in relation to ongoing maintenance) for local authorities adopting SUDS - this could be addressed by further research, inadequate public sector capital priming of strategic projects.	475677-475668-50123685
Green infrastructure needs to become integral to design rather than considered as an add on when considering post design mitigation. Developers and investors need to better understand the long term value in designing in GI in order that they 'buy into' the concept. Funding can be a challenge, especially as public spending / council budgets are squeezed.	475677-475668-50124148
Policy isn't strong enough.	475677-475668-50124732
Lack of funding to wards Green and blue infrastructure creation. Limited focus on urban GI. Resistance from Local Authorities with cost of maintenance concerns.	475677-475668-50125237
Lack of resources in L Gov to dedicate the time and money	475677-475668-50125367
Making it mainstream; adopting standards across the UK that make it easy for developers and others to use.	475677-475668-50126053
not widespread promotion, adoption or awareness in NI	475677-475668-50125945
Accessibility and transparency in decision making.	475677-475668-50126473
Engineering perceive GI as expensive and untrustworthy compared with standard grey solutions. They and our finance teams do not see longer-term risks, only the immediate years.	475677-475668-50126960
The elements that make up GI are many and varied (doorstep plantings, urban commons, green spaces, small woods, green roofs, green walls, street trees, etc...) quantifying the contributions of each of these elements to each of the many benefits of GI is a daunting task and consequently there is a data lack. Data lack means politicians and policy makers can brush claims off and fail to include GI in policy/implementation plans. Budgetary - GI has multi-functional benefits, collectively benefit to society is very high. BUT - budgets are typically divided into discrete areas, getting budget holders to agree to pool resources to pay for GI implementation is	475677-475668-50126774

<p>difficult. Some kind of tool to indicate the large potential outcome value from pooling cash from several budgets is necessary. Such a tool needs to be able to work at a range of scales from the lowest level of public body up to Governmental.</p> <p>Embedding GI into Commercial Development: many GI values give public benefit, but funding is private. So why should developers do it. There is reputational value, but in reality the large-scale deployment that is required to help counter the climate crisis, reduce pollution, improve human well-being, etc. really requires strong regulation AND changes to Building Regulations.</p>	
<p>Ensuring sufficient green infrastructure is included in new developments and having a financial system in place for future maintenance.</p> <p>Identifying the complex of priorities for green infrastructure and how these can be met. For example, areas that provide accessible recreational access opportunities and, at the same time, meet biodiversity targets.</p> <p>Funding is always a challenge.</p>	<p>475677-475668-50128643</p>
<p>Public Parks are not a statutory service and are suffering hugely under the pressure of Local Authority cuts. All greenspace in London is under increased pressure from population growth. There as an imbalance between the resources of the developer and the resources of other stakeholders in protecting and maintaining green space across London.</p>	<p>475677-475668-50129902</p>
<p>Lack of ownership for green infrastructure - especially (but not only) at a landscape scale. The best means of delivering GI at a smaller scale is through LA's and in response to planning proposals. However, there is often no place where GI sits within the LA - or at least no-one with major influence over the process.</p> <p>At a landscape scale the only opportunity is through Catchment Partnerships. Again they have little or no funding and few levers to pull. LA's distrust them because they don't own them.</p> <p>In short, everyone says they know GI is important but when push comes to shove financial considerations and development often win out</p>	<p>475677-475668-50128248</p>
<p>funding silos and genuine payment for ecosystem services</p>	<p>475677-475668-50138987</p>
<p>In my opinion it is still considered by Government (improving but very slowly) and subsequently planning departments as not principle infrastructure like roads/transport, health, schools so is not given its full consideration when dealing with generic applications or major development applications.</p>	<p>475677-475668-50139244</p>
<p>Locally, key challenge is lack of leadership - although opportunities (see below) may change this. This links with lack of local authority governance/structure that recognises GI as essential</p> <p>GI not being integrated at outset of major infrastructure/development schemes or large scale bids for funding or is missing from criteria for funding bids.</p> <p>Lack of strongly worded national policy and joined up approach across Govt and delivery bodies eg EA/NE/Defra.</p>	<p>475677-475668-50138546</p>
<p>Main challenges are:</p>	<p>475677-475668-50124632</p>

<p>Main challenges are, Decades of under management, resource limitations, limitations on management posed by protected species (e.g. dormice), poor structural and species diversity.</p>	475677-475668-50124032
<p>Lack of funding for its establishment, maintenance and protection Lack of awareness amongst the public, local authority staff, including planners, architects and developers</p>	475677-475668-50145896
<p>Development pressures that need to achieve biodiversity net gains and provide for health and well being of communities now that the older structures whereby LAs took on responsibility for maintenance is disappearing. New ways of addressing maintenance that does not result in either manicured areas or wastelands will be required if green space is to be valued and purposeful such that it is seen as an essential component of development. there is also the issue of how do you retrofit GI into existing areas (especially those most recently provided with low levels of provision. This is especially difficult for small communities such as small market towns and villages which seemingly are surrounded by greater open areas but to which access and utility is restricted. Standards appear to be no longer utilised in relation to GI/OS provision.</p>	475677-475668-50146543
<p>Whilst there is a lot of evidence around the benefits of GI, which most practitioners seem generally accepting of, delivery of GI is still seen as a financial penalty as opposed to a financial benefit. I.e. developers still look to increase housing density as they see that they can get a defined return for each plot developed. Whilst they (claim to) appreciate that provision of GI can help to increase plot value, they don't feel that this increase is offset by the loss of plots and then are also often faced by commuted sums or ongoing maintenance commitments that further emphasis the cost over the benefit. Some high profile failures of public investment (e.g. Boris' garden bridge in London) don't help as they exaggerate the challenges and not the benefits.</p>	475677-475668-50153741
<p>Ensuring long term management and maintenance by suitable and adequately resourced stewardship bodies. Local authority-managed green spaces have been cut back continuously and are now at crisis point. For new green infrastructure in development areas, developers are defaulting to private management companies (where local authorities do not want to take the burden) - this will not deliver value for money for residents or ensure joined-up management of ecological networks.</p>	475677-475668-50154773
<p>Take up, understanding the concept amongst economic sector. Challenge from nature conservation sector that GI doesn't deliver nature conservation. Lack of resource in the public sector.</p>	475677-475668-50156534
<p>The general acceptance by policy makers and economists to fund and engage with GI principles and benefits. The need for LPA's and Developers to grasp the opportunities of GI and not see it as an obstacle to be manoeuvred around. Hopefully the mandating of BNG to 10% of developments will help.</p>	475677-475668-50164518
<p>The challenge of housing growth especially in the south east.</p>	475677-475668-50174430
<p>Funding for management and maintenance Council budgets and resources</p>	475677-475668-50202183
<p>Translation of research and evidence into mainstream practice. This includes making research/evidence easier for policy makers to understand</p>	475677-475668-50197838

and translate into policy; making stronger policies; enforcing policies; funding government departments, local authorities, community trusts and NGOs/charities appropriately to act as enforcers or stewards of GI and related policies.

4 What do you see as the main opportunities facing green infrastructure policy, practice and/or research?

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Bring all parties together in a collaborative manner ensuring that the deployment of GI is affordable, effect and sustainable.	475677-475668-47107829
1. Increasing awareness about biodiversity crisis in general public which will help to build political will to do something about it 2. Growing collaborative projects and initiatives relating to GI	475677-475668-47256893
The threat of climate change may (hopefully) galvanize the government into action.	475677-475668-47324879
The 25 Year Environment Plan and policy frameworks if leading local authorities provide a good platform. The recent declaration of climate change and biodiversity loss emergencies (plus ongoing concerns about public health) have pushed green infrastructure back up the agenda. Breaking down if silos in many institutions plus an increasing uptake of a systems thinking approach is helpful. A younger generation of local and national politicians are more environmentally literate (?)	475677-475668-47338491
Environmental policy now centre stage.	475677-475668-47424228
GI to be included in Building Regulations	475677-475668-47513352
In the current climate I cannot see any immediate opportunities, unless at a policy level brought about by the continued lobbying of the GIP and their various partner organisations independently lobbying for change.	475677-475668-47522167
realisation that a wide range of organisations and professions can deliver GI	475677-475668-47549836
Creating knowledge about the opportunities for building climate resilience and improving health and wellbeing	475677-475668-47551262
Whatever comes after CAP.	475677-475668-47552962
Sharing good practice and outcomes. A growing body of evidence based research, feeds into more efficient and effective practice methods (e.g. Japanese knotweed treatment).	475677-475668-47553154
The UK needs a step change in practice, and now with the right national policy context, the opportunity has never been greater for more boldness at a local level. I advocate town planning of the kind done for the new towns in the UK, such as Milton Keynes, Telford or the Birchwood area of Warrington. New Town Development Corporations had money, land, access the the right skillsets, planning control, and a spatial vision. All towns really need that resource, yet for most other town planning it seems to be a timid process of working out which is the next field on the edge of town to sacrifice to development. GI planning for towns needs to be done at the whole town scale, with a hierarchy of structure of different types of GI	475677-475668-47555162

<p>whole town scale, with a hierarchy of structure of different types of GI, attending to both retrofitting existing town as well as master planning the GI structure of new development. Parks Depts need to be less about managing the land the Council own and more about planning as well as managing at the whole town scale, integrated with the Planning Dept. (That combination of skillsets is essential). Plans need to be long term, mapping out the main GI spatial structure across surrounding countryside long before development actually takes place - to safeguard green corridors etc. Advance woodland planting, wetland creation and core walkway cycleway networks should be established BEFORE land is deemed developable - so that when development happens, it does so into a robust, maturing, GI structure, and the individual development areas within the red line of a planning application should have a strong connection (and a strong design brief) to connect into the wider maturing GI structure that has been established. This means lots more advance planting - to get ahead of ourselves - which also ticks other climate change and biodiversity boxes, in which the UK needs more woodland. Within towns, the small scale of green spaces and existing development in the wrong place complicate matters - but an ideal structure for GI should nevertheless be mapped so that 'opportunities' for improvement, as they arise over time - eg from an existing development being demolished, or a community led environmental project starting - can link into and help to achieve the master plan vision for that area.</p>	
<p>More support through Defra and 25 year plan. Growing consensus on the need to address climate change. Health and wellbeing benefits being more widely understood.</p>	<p>475677-475668-47555381</p>
<p>The link between improved GI and improved health</p>	<p>475677-475668-47557987</p>
<p>Mainstreaming in policy and following this through to delivery when set against other competing demands. Evidence to support and showcase the delivery of multiple benefits would be helpful to increase understanding and also to understand what is working and what is not.</p>	<p>475677-475668-47577082</p>
<p>Partnership opportunities between public and private stakeholders.</p>	<p>475677-475668-47582602</p>
<p>Supportive policy regime, improved evidence base, public support</p>	<p>475677-475668-47658057</p>
<p>We're at a tipping point for implementation on the ground. Need to co-produce and collaborate with communities to make them more resilient and risk aware. Need to help them understand why things are proposed and how they work. Embrace change.</p> <p>Research achievement needs to not be based on the number of unread papers that are produced and the number of PHD students you have attached to funding. Funding bids should be co-produced with practitioners (stop asking us to sign bits of paper).</p> <p>Understand that "grey research" is a derogatory term and devalues the real world research that practitioners do on a daily basis - just because it's not been signed off by three academics and published in a journal with references doesn't mean that it has no value.</p> <p>The innovation in Nature based solutions is coming from practitioners and communities. Capture and embrace it and work with us.</p>	<p>475677-475668-47692916</p>
<p>Increased awareness of the multiple benefits of blue and green</p>	<p>475677-475668-47732551</p>

<p>infrastructure, in particular health and wellbeing. The pressing need to address climate change in terms of mitigation and adaptation. Increasing sophistication in decision support for BGI such as the ability to monetise or otherwise evaluate aspects of it for incorporation in forward planning</p>	
<p>Direct investment in GI resulting in enhancement of human and social capital, and sustaining biodiversity.</p>	475677-475668-47739453
<p>Net gain and offsetting require my organisation to think more strategically about its activities, and could potentially result in income generation through selling biodiversity units to developers.</p>	475677-475668-47733053
<p>It is often a more (cost) effective way of addressing various societal challenges, esp. when its multifunctionality is taken into account properly.</p>	475677-475668-47754329
<p>Mandatory biodiversity net gain under Environment Bill and the opportunities for enhanced green infrastructure within development as a result, with opportunities to expand this approach to major infrastructure projects. Opportunity to strengthen national policy and planning guidance for GI Increasing recognition/evidence supporting the role of GI for health and wellbeing for across a range of demographics and social groups The potential to transform our towns and cities through GI to make them healthier, more resilient, more nature connected places to live, learn, work and play.</p>	475677-475668-47755129
<p>throw all the academic arguments on how it is different from NBS, NC, ESS out of the window! We all want the same thing! align with NC thinking, use NC policy hooks e.g. in 25YEP, present as CC adaptation & mitigation solution to the problem (biggest show in town, Stern 1% of GDP is massive!, get a slice of the cake!) align with NC investment plans align with health & air pollution agenda (solution to problem) need a culture shift in NHS from treating to prevention, but how - we need somebody who really understands NHS & GI to tackle this once and for all (10% of NHS budget for GI would be absolutely massive!</p>	475677-475668-47792878
<p>Necessity! Repeated flooding and the massive costs, may make GI interventions increasingly attractive. More discussion of GI amongst the wider public, as successful schemes are publicised, really help.</p>	475677-475668-47938579
<p>A growing recognition in policy that multi-functional green infrastructure is essential to delivering a wide range of economic, social and environmental objectives, especially preventative public health (physical and mental) and climate resilience, and that natural solutions should be considered in advance of proposals for hard-engineered solutions. Also, an increasing and accessible body of good practice examples from the UK and abroad.</p>	475677-475668-47981805
<p>UK context for social return on investment.</p>	475677-475668-48035212
<p>Recent major shift in national government policy and increased concerns about air quality, climate change etc may provide the opportunity to press GI solutions.</p>	475677-475668-48169568
<p>Some glimmers of hope within NHS England - healthy communities, social prescribing: within MHCI G - high quality design for new housing: within</p>	475677-475668-48228736

<p>processing, mainly through high quality design for new housing, mainly Defra - biodiversity net gain ...</p> <p>Need to take advantage of the current public concerns around climate change and biodiversity loss, promoting GI as part of the solution;</p>	
<p>Public sector austerity driving management regime change across the public realm, clarity of message on multiple benefits, not just environmental.</p>	475677-475668-48417643
<p>to leap on to existing hooks to show the value of GI was part of wider nature based solutions' Here climate change emergency and air pollution stand out as single hooks. Need also to identify NPPF opportunities as that is a key hook for the built environment sector. .</p>	475677-475668-48490758
<p>Climate Emergency should, hopefully, see local authority planning policy mandate for more BGI - especially green roofs.</p>	475677-475668-49072031
<p>addressing the previous</p>	475677-475668-49134311
<p>The flip-side of the above is that if there is a way to meaningfully connect green infrastructure with the wider nature-based solutions and urban resilience initiatives, there is potential for significant funding and political traction. This is especially so at this time of year, as temperatures rise and the cooling effects of green infrastructure gain societal prominence.</p>	475677-475668-49135007
<p>Overwhelming evidence that GI reduces downstream effects. In particular rising poor mental and physical health, reducing flooding, loss of biodiversity etc. Rising recognition of 'green new deal' policies in the face of climate change. Messages need to be positive 'we can do this, benefit from this, hold this up to future generations'. Moon shot politics</p>	475677-475668-49185691
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Climate emergency tag - GI being an important part of our climate adaptation response 2. changing public opinion and demand to support the above - I hope - translated into all main political parties supporting the need to do more and better GI 3. look to good past practice to show what can be done and what is sustainable: eg look at some elements of historic towns, look at parts of our post war new towns (eg Birchwood Warrington 40% urban tree canopy cover today) 4. Find ways to get intelligent advocates for GI into local govt - including into senior manager/decision-maker posts (the ones who set the agenda and allocate resources) 5. overhaul our approach to house building to allow far more greenery than volume built legoland allows (these are going to be the 'slums of the future' (Welsh Gov Housing Minister, July 2019) 6. Relearn the value of landscape/GI master planning in a generous way and outwith the constraints of individual site allocations and developer's land ownership i.e. at a forward planning stage - and running projects such as advance forestry planting years in advance so new development takes place within a carefully designed, generously sized, maturing wooded setting. 7. Rule of thumb that the higher the density of built development, the more greenspace is needed. This should work against garden infills or mean greenspace areas that are relegated to peripheral land. 	475677-475668-49186664
<p>the climate emergency offers a political hook.</p>	475677-475668-49227986
<p>Increasingly recognised as important and national policy building towards</p>	475677-475668-49230940

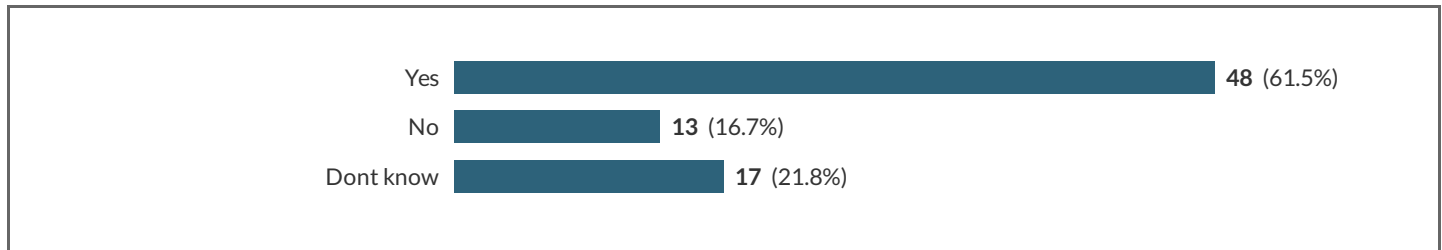
greater support e.g. through Environment Act Wales, Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales), increasing public concern about climate change and pressure on governments to support green initiatives	
Integration into wider disciplines ie transport investment and NIC. Links to environment bill, 25YEP, HRAs and SEAs, climate change risk assessment.	475677-475668-49241675
Early days - opportunity to come together pull the ideas to create national policy - like the national planning policy framework - for green infrastructure. That would be fantastic	475677-475668-49353062
Changing tide of public perceptions of green space in towns and cities	475677-475668-49497915
Policy - Increasing number of policy hooks for gi (eg climate emergency, health and wellbeing, flood risk management) Practice - Increased awareness of benefits of gi and the need for its inclusion in new development Research - increased awareness of applicability of gi across the board (no longer just an environmental concern)	475677-475668-49558590
More democratic planning and community control of land. More ecologically sound design and evaluation. 'Greening' of technologies that interact with ecological. Researching ways of communicating need for that transition, identifying best practices, investigations novel eco-technological systems with a understanding of their social dimensions.	475677-475668-49646046
Enthusiastic practitioners. The fact that green infrastructure is of interest to a large number of sectors for many different reasons	475677-475668-50114608
People like trees and want more of them. Opportunities to create new parks alongside housing developments	475677-475668-50114891
Collaboration. Vision. Leadership	475677-475668-50115154
Not sure as not actively working in this field any longer	475677-475668-50114617
The opportunity to rapidly become one of the most important resources of the economy.	475677-475668-50117625
Huge - everything aligns health wise, social interaction etc. Also opportunities along post industrial valleys in the north.	475677-475668-50119053
There does seem to be a real change in public attitudes to climate change and I am hopeful that this will make people more receptive to how green infrastructure can help with adaptation.	475677-475668-50119743
Persuading LA's to reward community efforts to restore biodiversity in green spaces. We need Gov't and LA's to be willing to pay communities i.e. for mowing as part of biodiversity uptick so that communities have money coming in to make more improvements. Rewards should fund paid help in the form of contractors or better but communities should be able to see realise that the more they pay professionals the less there is for community. On policy we desperately need to change upland farming and the hunting, shooting game bird lobby by incentivising conservation and halting the negative impacts of what they do	475677-475668-50120204

Net gain development should be a major opportunity. A new government with some green credentials might help.	475677-475668-50120285
The chance to integrate with other environmental benefit assessments etc, eg natural capital, biodiversity offsetting, climate change mitigation options etc	475677-475668-50122392
Biodiversity and environmental net gain	475677-475668-50122773
See question 3 ... Alignment to other environment priorities to ensure remain relevant	475677-475668-50122837
The current interest in climate change solutions	475677-475668-50123724
Promotion of SUDS as this has potential to reduce costs for developer; further strengthening of links between public sector organisation, developers and professional bodies involved in the built environment.	475677-475668-50123685
Opportunities to demonstrate where GI can have multiple and longer term benefits for end users and a wider community would encourage integration of GI into design.	475677-475668-50124148
Strengthen link with health & well being benefits, mental and physical, in to spacial planning.	475677-475668-50124732
Whilst there are clear beenfits with regards to peoples health, mental well being, climate change mitigation, carbon sequestration; I'm not convinced these are greatly held/understood/valued by Joe Public. If our ambitions is to secure resources to enhance GI then we need a stronger public voice on our side.	475677-475668-50125237
the Government and L Authorities want development and are reluctant to put even further "burdens" on developers on top of what they already have. there is a fear of unviability of sites. Outcome is a reluctance to make GI mandatory	475677-475668-50125367
Massive housing numbers demand properly thought out places. GI provides multiple cost effective benefits especially for health and well-being - financially beneficial to NHS and society.	475677-475668-50126053
In Northern Ireland, adoption by local & central government	475677-475668-50125945
Application of research and tools to planning practice	475677-475668-50126473
To show that GI is a simple and cheap whole life solution (value and cost). That is helps mitigate short and long-term risks, and reduces spend.	475677-475668-50126960
This is wide open - almost any aspect of GI requires research. However, the most obvious is that relating to the climate crisis (everything from SUDS through to urban heat islands/archipelagos), pollution removal, and human health (physical and mental). There are many papers coming out showing the links between urban conditions and poor human health/wellbeing - research needs to demonstrate how GI delivers solutions to these problems.	475677-475668-50126774
Other issues include Regulation/Implementation/Pooling of budgetary resources	

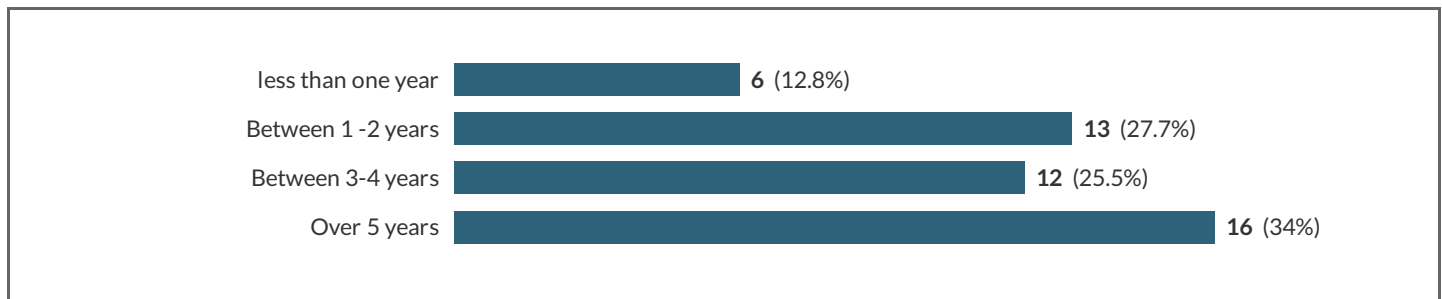
<p>Recent MENE data demonstrates an increasing awareness of the environment. There is a public appetite and interest which could be an opportunity for GI practice.</p> <p>More research is needed on the benefits of GI.</p>	475677-475668-50128643
<p>Proper mapping and definitions need to emerge of Public Green Space and Amenity value.</p>	475677-475668-50129902
<p>The realities of the human need for open space and connection to nature will hopefully win out in the end.</p> <p>In my view change on the ground is often achieved by community actions over the medium to long term. How can these groups best be supported</p> <p>Initiatives like London National park City can hopefully change hearts and minds at the policy level and community level towards the value of open spaces</p>	475677-475668-50128248
<p>freeing up funding and real long term testing and piloting</p>	475677-475668-50138987
<p>Regional policies based on GI as well as professional qualification or posts to ensure provision is fully considered as part of the planning process and given the same weight as roads/transport by government.</p>	475677-475668-50139244
<p>Climate emergency and new elected members desire to see change- action of the ground particularly tree planting, net gain and reducing carbon. Increasing and wider understanding/recognition of natural capital, ecosystem services and GI - through research, valuation work, shared evidence.</p> <p>GI being recognised as solution for multiple issues - reducing carbon emissions, healthy lifestyles</p> <p>Public Health - increased use of facts/evidence relating to GI</p> <p>Businesses wanting to invest to win favour with younger generation who influence others and spend with companies with social responsibility</p>	475677-475668-50138546
<p>Ever greater realisation of the benefits of GI but only if it attracts commensurate funding. The value of green capital is becoming increasingly well known but against the current backdrop of austerity and political uncertainty, together with competing priorities, it remains the 'poor cousin'.</p>	475677-475668-50124632
<p>The recent hightened publicity regarding Climate Change</p>	475677-475668-50145896
<p>recent Government pronouncements about net gains and support for health and well being. However, will they walk the walk.</p>	475677-475668-50146543
<p>There seems to be an increasing public appreciation of the health & wellbeing benefits that GI can deliver.</p> <p>Further innovative ways to help monetise benefits and provide incentives as opposed to penalties for delivery by the private sector could be helpful.</p> <p>Ways to streamline delivery or processes for public sector or community led projects could also help.</p>	475677-475668-50153741
<p>Increasing recognition of the value of the ecosystem services provided by GI. Increased understanding of the way ecological networks function, i.e. it no longer just about protected, isolated sites but about joined up networks at landscape scale</p>	475677-475668-50154773

at landscape scale.	
Good understanding amongst planners, developers, but threats from new concepts 'natural capital', 'nature recovery networks' however these are either complimentary or part of GI	475677-475668-50156534
That GI can be seen to be less a "general metaphor" that "marginally contributes to solving societal challenges" to becoming an "integral solution to overcoming them" (IUCN). A general sea change in public attitudes can also be seen as an opportunity for GI, which could drive political thinking.	475677-475668-50164518
The re-invigoration of climate change issues and the benefits of GI /nature for well-being and biodiversity	475677-475668-50174430
Climate change interest by the general public, at last. As a sector we need to strongly link this to biodiversity and GI.	475677-475668-50202183
Embedding GI as a solution into the 'problems' within other disciplines, such as health, climate adaptation, air quality, placemaking, regeneration, community engagement, etc.	475677-475668-50197838

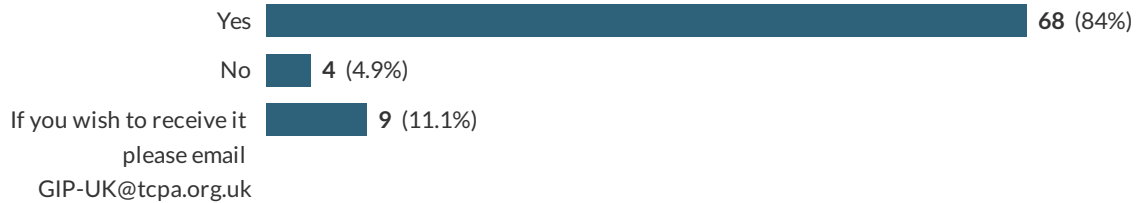
5 Are you a member of the Green Infrastructure Partnership ?



5.a How long have you been a member of the Green Infrastructure Partnership?



5.b Do you receive the Green Infrastructure Partnership Newsletter?



5.c Do you follow the Green Infrastructure Partnership on twitter (@GIPartnership)? (Tick one box only)

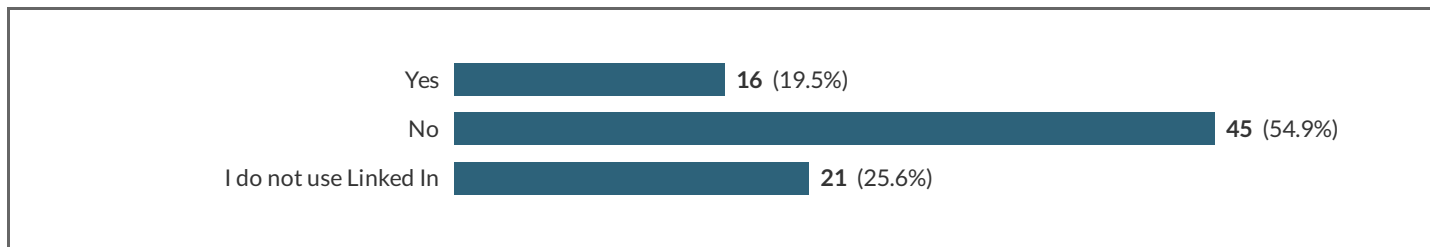


5.d How could the Green Infrastructure Partnership make the Twitter platform more useful to you and your work?

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Don't know. Twitter is useful but primarily for flagging issues, ideas etc	475677-475668-47338491
It's fine.	475677-475668-47424228
I don't think it can - it already posts on a regularly basis about activities and events	475677-475668-47522167
Don't use twitter	475677-475668-47551262
Don't know	475677-475668-47552962
n/a	475677-475668-47658057
To be honest, I don't use Twitter to help me directly for my work. I use it to help me keep up to date with what's going on in the wider world (e.g. politics) that might impact on my work. I'm on Twitter too infrequently to use it to keep up to date with e.g. the latest conferences, publications, etc. - I find the newsletter summary more helpful for that.	475677-475668-47733053
Would need a view from our comms team on this	475677-475668-47755129
I think it is the other way round, I already feed lots of documents, tools , news into @GIPartnership by tagging it in my tweets basic Twitter best practice - always use an image when tweeting (manual or better auto-generated) don't be shy to tag target audience (I don't mean the usual GI suspects, but e.g. house builders, health, planning community) as appropriate to the content always use #greeninfrastructure (assuming it is appropriate) & other #	475677-475668-47792878

happy to have a twitter strategy conversation with Jack (Ingo here in case you hadn't already guessed ;-)	
It could be used to showcase examples of good practice (e.g. submitted by practitioners or local communities)	475677-475668-47981805
n/a	475677-475668-48228736
It does a good job already linking in with the newsletter. well aware of issues associated with managing expectations if actively seeking views etc. It might usefully use the #GIP to help people who follow the partnership communicate across the membership on key issues.	475677-475668-48490758
its Ok as is	475677-475668-49134311
no idea - as long as it keeps posting up useful information or links to such.	475677-475668-49353062
It's not my preferred medium for material of this type	475677-475668-49497915
Examples of ways to tackle real issues. Without too much data but enough to demonstrate the need to act.	475677-475668-50115154
I don't do twitter	475677-475668-50119053
I monitor twitter but not GIP because I rarely think about it. Occasional reminders would probably get me to look it up.	475677-475668-50120204
Don't know	475677-475668-50120285
I don't use Twitter	475677-475668-50122837
N/a	475677-475668-50123724
More case studies of successful projects	475677-475668-50123685
I don't follow twitter.	475677-475668-50125237
na	475677-475668-50125367
n / a	475677-475668-50125945
N/A	475677-475668-50126774
Our organisation has a twitter handle but I don't think we interact with GIP - I will ask the lead on this to do so	475677-475668-50128248
no comment	475677-475668-50138987
See above.	475677-475668-50124632
I don't use it prefer email, website	475677-475668-50156534
na	475677-475668-50164518
If I could persuade work that the twitter feed was work related and informative.	475677-475668-50174430
To be honest, I to follow too many people to pay close attention to it, so it might already be doing good stuff. Perhaps it's about making linkages between people/orgs that are doing work that could be better aligned (including actively tagging people). I do think it does a good job of sharing recently released research.	475677-475668-50197838

5.e Do you connect with the Green Infrastructure Partnership through Linked In (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/green-infrastructure-partnership-2325549a/>)? (Tick one box only)



5.f How could the Green Infrastructure Partnership make the Linked In platform more useful to you and your work?

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1. Periodical blog items 2. Highlighting new funding / collaborative project opportunities	475677-475668-47256893
N/a	475677-475668-47338491
Use it more regularly. I don't recall seeing many posts. Posting the type of items that are carried on the newsletter would be helpful.	475677-475668-47555381
n/a	475677-475668-47658057
I do not monitor LinkedIn frequently, but when I do, GIP rarely appears on my feed - likely because it's drowned out by posts from the other groups I follow / people I'm connected with. The rate of GIP posting would have to be significantly higher for GIP to register on infrequent checkers of LinkedIn, and I don't think that's particularly cost-effective.	475677-475668-47733053
I am not convinced that this would make a big difference, but then I don't use linked in that much	475677-475668-47755129
I don't thin linkedin is the social media of choice here, focus on twitter. there are tools allowing you to post to LI & twitter at the same time BTW	475677-475668-47792878
n/a	475677-475668-48228736
I do not use it.	475677-475668-48490758
no cmment	475677-475668-49134311
It's a great resource. Particularly when followed in conjunction with Ingo's account. Very comprehensive and thorough.	475677-475668-49497915
Similar to twitter. Establish some form of crisp template or two, rather than research essays.	475677-475668-50115154
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A piece in the newsletter exhorting the benefits of it to me to look at, as I clearly haven't (yet)...	475677-475668-50120285
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N/A	475677-475668-50123685
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na	475677-475668-50125367
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no comment	475677-475668-50138987
Training and promoting case studies in the UK as well as in the rest of the world	475677-475668-50139244
No familiar enough with Linked in (but recognise I could use it more effectively) possibly start conversation/pose questions on particular hot topics eg latest research to get a sense of who involved	475677-475668-50138546
See above.	475677-475668-50124632
I do not wish to use linked in	475677-475668-50156534
na	475677-475668-50164518
n/a	475677-475668-50174430
I don't really actively monitor activity on LinkedIn. Perhaps like with Twitter, it's a matter of actively tagging people.	475677-475668-50197838

5.g Should the Green Infrastructure Partnership use any other social media platforms? Please justify your answer.

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Facebook	475677-475668-47107829
Perhaps Instagram as better platform for engaging different audience through more visual communication.	475677-475668-47338491
If its aim is to influence policy then Twitter is best social media platform.	475677-475668-47424228
Instagram - images of projects	475677-475668-47549836
Instagram, Facebook and YouTube channel	475677-475668-47552962
Emails to push news, and websites to look for news, are best within a work context as social media is not always understood as relevant to work by some (less enlightened) managers or public sector organisations, and some social media platforms are not allowed, or are the sole province of the PR or Comms Dept, meaning that wider awareness via social media messages may not get through to your target audiences.	475677-475668-47555162
n/a	475677-475668-47658057
instagram	475677-475668-47692916
Facebook. It's very popular.	475677-475668-47739453

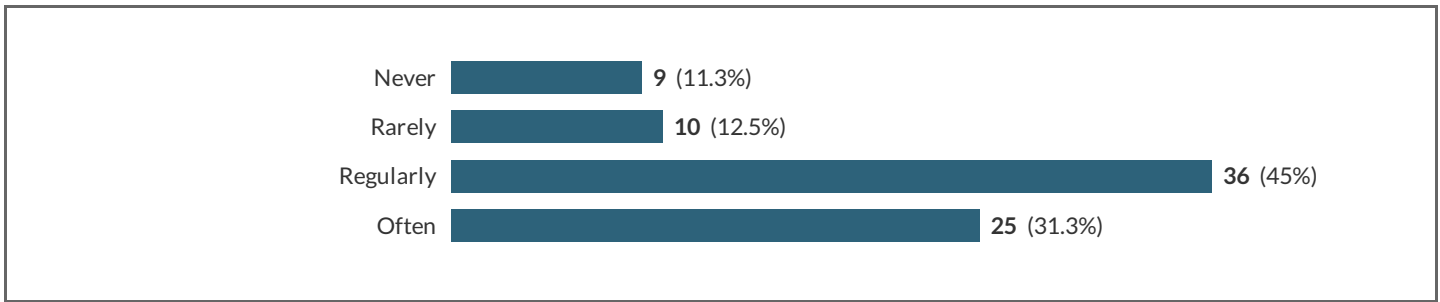
It depends what the goal is. E.g. Instagram is useful for reaching younger audiences, but I don't think this is really a main target audience for GIP!	475677-475668-47733053
As I don't use social media I cannot comment	475677-475668-47754329
Maybe some kind of short survey monkey once a year to seek feedback. Short and simple.	475677-475668-47755129
No, just focus on TW & LI youtube videos would be the next thing I'd consider (to embed in LI & twitter, but very expensive if done well)	475677-475668-47792878
No - Twitter is sufficient!	475677-475668-47981805
I think Twitter is the most useful. I suspect there is a law of diminishing returns with an increase in platforms.	475677-475668-48035212
Don't use social media	475677-475668-48228736
no they are hard work to manage,. case for managing one really well.	475677-475668-48490758
no	475677-475668-49134311
No - there are too many platforms already, and in a UK context at least Twitter is most appropriate for debate, discussion, and information provision. LinkedIn allows professional connections. Blogging may also be a possibility if time and resources allow - practitioners, academics (and indeed those 'outside' the green infrastructure community) could be encouraged to contribute.	475677-475668-49135007
In work situation, email of news is good. Many organisations may still take a dim view of using social media - as if that is not sufficiently work related - especially in unenlightened public sector. However, email plus say facebook is respectively a good combination of 'push' and 'pull' communication methods	475677-475668-49186664
n ocmment	475677-475668-49227986
I receive information via a colleague who is a member of partnership	475677-475668-49230940
Instagram - this appeals to the young generation who are very big on climate and environment issues Youtube - visual effects, short explanatory videos etc. will help to increase audience, understanding of what is needed, and participation.	475677-475668-49353062
Not for me.	475677-475668-49497915
Not for me	475677-475668-50114891
We are all overwhelmed already. Make it as visual as possible. Catch the big ideas (and the credible evidence). Tell a story.	475677-475668-50115154
Youtube has its place.	475677-475668-50117625
//	475677-475668-50119053
No - focus is best	475677-475668-50120285
no, I would rather resourcing went into research and doing things	475677-475668-50122392

Email is sufficient for my purposes	475677-475668-50123724
Could post images of visually attractive green infrastructure projects on Twitter in order to promote it (and the biodiversity benefits) to a wider audience.	475677-475668-50123685
I don't think so. If you want to connect with professionals and organisations then LinkedIn and Twitter reach individuals and organisations. I don't know that Facebook is relevant and don't use other platforms.	475677-475668-50124732
It depends what you want to achieve?	475677-475668-50125237
append to: TCPA (reach Planning officers) ; Landscape Institute circulars/magazine; Local Gov circulars etc	475677-475668-50125367
n / a	475677-475668-50125945
I try not to use social media because it's better for my mental health.	475677-475668-50126960
No idea	475677-475668-50126774
None that I can think of. Better to stick to what you do really well.	475677-475668-50129902
Our most used platform is facebook and we also use Instagram	475677-475668-50128248
no comment	475677-475668-50138987
Not sure	475677-475668-50124632
no	475677-475668-50145896
There are so many problems with social media that I have grown tired of it. Too much quantity (in terms of personal views) and not enough quality.	475677-475668-50146543
Twitter and LinkedIn appear to be increasingly for professional use only (or maybe that's just the way I use them!!) Picture / Video based social media (e.g. Instagram) appear to be on the rise, so perhaps that might be worth a look, especially as GI messaging could be very effective through visual or audio-visual media.	475677-475668-50153741
There are too many platforms which increasingly causes over communication of messages. No problem with network using these platforms but need to use a variety for members to obtain information from the platforms they prefer.	475677-475668-50156534
I'm not really a social media type of person so I couldn't comment. Maybe I should reconsider this though.	475677-475668-50164518
n/a	475677-475668-50174430
No. Given this is not a public-facing group, there is no need to invest extra time into platforms that people aren't already using for work purposes.	475677-475668-50197838

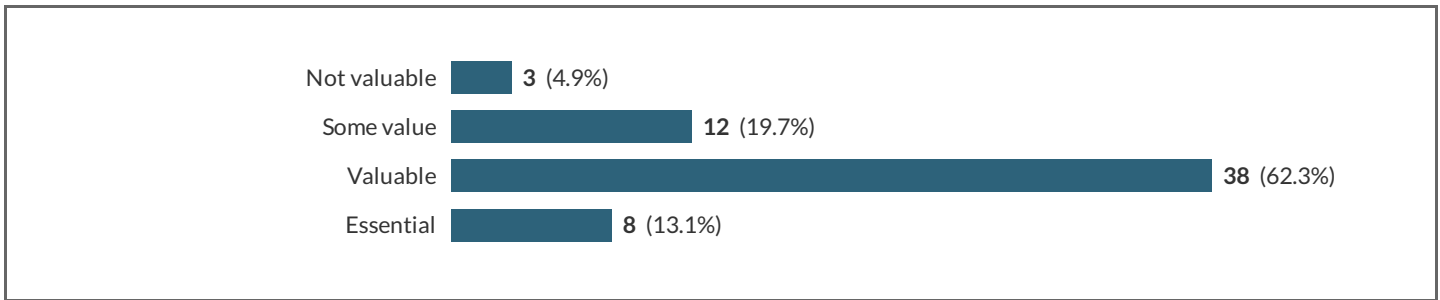
6 What resources of the Green Infrastructure Partnership do you use?

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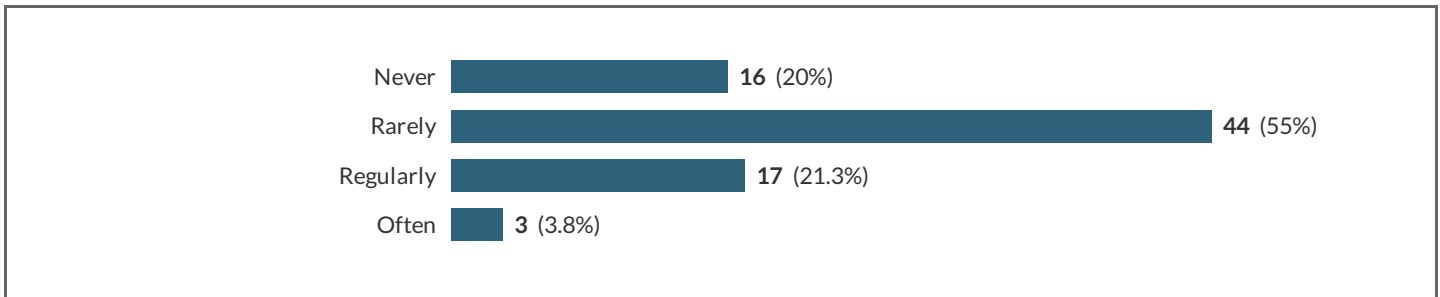


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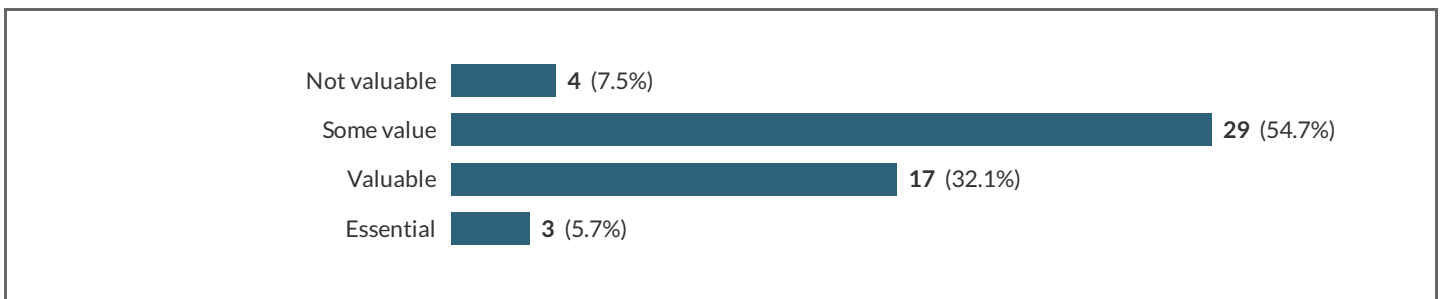


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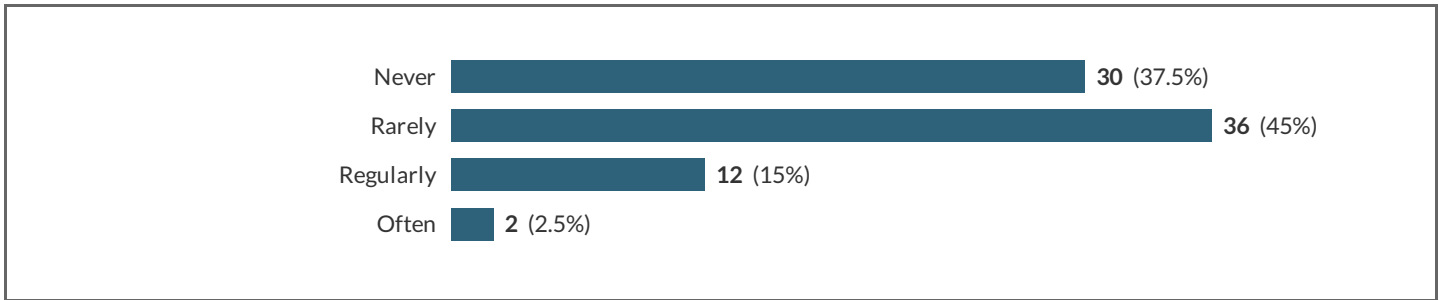


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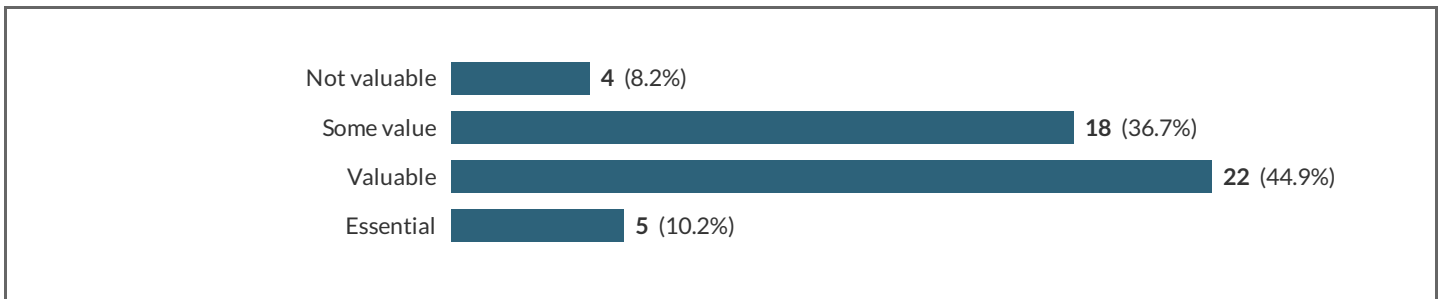


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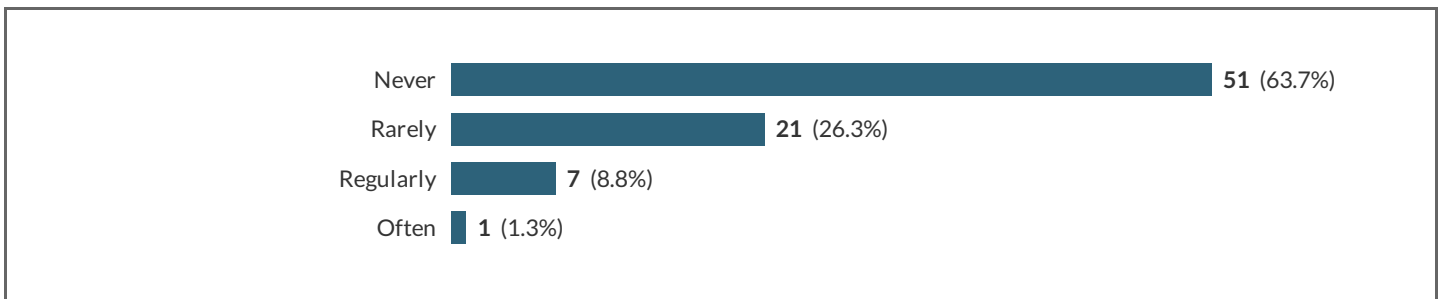


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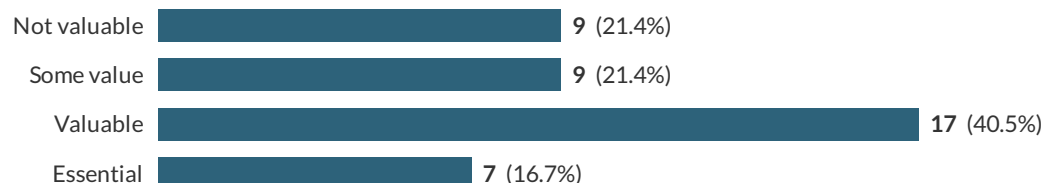


6.4 TCPA staff

6.4.a TCPA staff - How often do you use them?



6.4.b TCPA staff - How valuable are they to you?



6.a For those resources that you use and feel able to comment on please make an assessment of their value and any improvements you would like to see

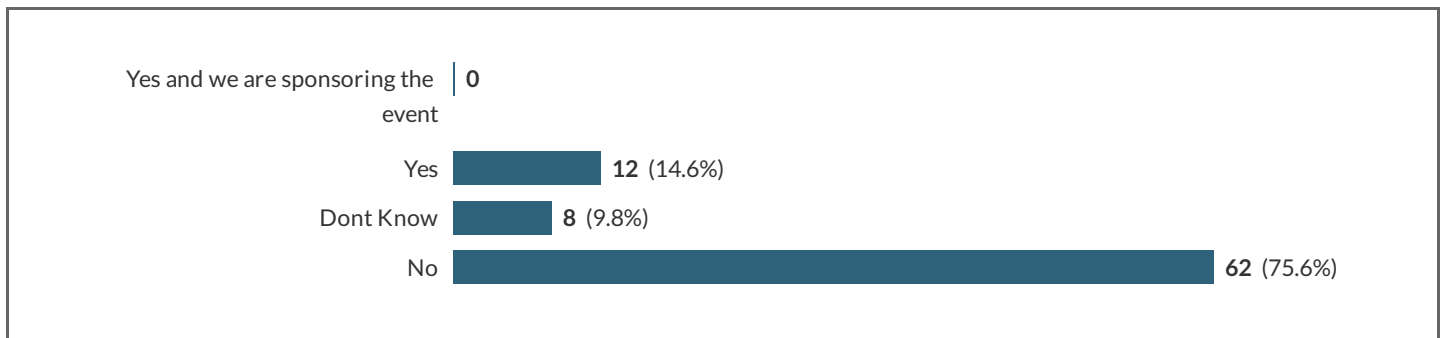
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Unfortunately it's yet another resource available that appears on the surface to work in isolation to the many other organisations associated with nature. I'd like to see Green Infrastructure Partnership approach the challenge in joining up the silos whereby the net result would be that the UK population understood it's inter dependence, delivery and value. Too many 'partnerships'.	475677-475668-47107829
It is good to see the list of resources, I will try and make more use of them.	475677-475668-47324879
I think the resources are good it's more lack of time at my end to make best I use of them	475677-475668-47338491
Good source of information	475677-475668-47424228
Due to work loads I'm only able to give a cursory read of the newsletter, occasionally use the website for reference and if I had time would probably make more use of the resource library. To date I have never felt the need to use TCPA staff although their presence as a point of contact is reassuring.	475677-475668-47522167
TCPA staff do not reach out to us	475677-475668-47549836
Very valuable digest	475677-475668-47551262
The newsletter is useful and covers the whole UK over a range of interest. The links are efficient	475677-475668-47553154
I very much welcome the TCPA focus on GI in Planning: lots of others claim GI as their topic (which is welcome) but their articulation of what they see as good GI may be different to the messages that are needed within a Planning context.	475677-475668-47555162
The newsletter is one of the better circulars. Generally an item or two on there of interest that I haven't picked up elsewhere. Well laid out making it easy to identify whats of interest.	475677-475668-47555381
Newsletter is very useful - content is appropriate.	475677-475668-47577082
Clearer and more systematized approach. GIRL is just a big list of loosely-related environmental reports.	475677-475668-47658057
I forget that the resource is there so i rarely use it	475677-475668-47692916

Valuable for looking across disciplines.	475677-475668-47739453
I most value the Sounding Board meetings - they're a useful forum to find out in more detail what's happening across the country, and help refine ideas for e.g. consultation responses.	475677-475668-47733053
I don't use the GI resource library very often, but maybe a reminder that its there in the newsletter every so often would be useful.	475677-475668-47755129
the issue with newsletter is that it is all old news by the time it comes out - social media is so fast these days - not sure what answer is. I use newsletter to mop up any items I missed on twitter staff is a funny one, I never thought I could approach them, so they could help me,. Either they approach me to help them or I approach them to sell them my consultancy services. If there is an offer that staff can be approached to help with questions/ ideas or similar, i think this needs to be clearer communicated. Comment on next question - i was a bit disappointed with that one. i think I have heard all the speakers speak (about the advertised topic) before. Too expensive to go just for networking/ drumming up business, so I am sorry to say I won't go this time	475677-475668-47792878
The resources may be very valuable, but I often have no time to read them.	475677-475668-48035212
Very valuable to have notification of events, publications etc. I wonder whether more could be made of using the same for inviting collaborations and future thinking around GI.	475677-475668-48169568
for me the web site is the key disappointment in the current offering of GIP,. It is not stand alone and has a clunky way to access materials. This is the priority resource that everyone uses and can be designed to link to social media thus killing several birds with one investment.	475677-475668-48490758
The website is a good resource, though not focussed on Scotland.	475677-475668-49072031
julia excellent but what if she leaves.	475677-475668-49134311
As most of my green infrastructure work to date has been focused on a non-UK context, I have had only limited engagement with the GIP resources. However when I have drawn on them, I have found them very valuable indeed.	475677-475668-49135007
limited use. library is a biit clunky hence its limited use.	475677-475668-49227986
I am a beginner on Green infrastructure so still finding my feet and find all the information useful when i get the time to refer to them	475677-475668-49353062
They are excellent resources and a great accumulation of knowledge and evidence.	475677-475668-49497915
Perhaps update design and layout	475677-475668-49646046
There is usually something of interest to me	475677-475668-50114891
Just a Newsletter list. What use are you really? Do I trust the TCPA? No, as you have not demonstrated that I can.	475677-475668-50117625
All excellent - a brilliant resource	475677-475668-50119053

An excellent & brilliant resource.	475677-475668-50119999
I look forward to receiving the newsletter and look at most of the links and item detail. That if the most value to me.	475677-475668-50120204
Only GIP feed that I have - so fairly valuable to me.	475677-475668-50120285
A brilliant resource. always something new and relevant and somewhere where I know there is a great library as a first port of call to look	475677-475668-50122392
The Newsletter is very useful	475677-475668-50123724
Feel that newsletter is comprehensive and easily readable in a relatively short period of time (with links for obtaining further information).	475677-475668-50123685
I mostly use the newsletter, sharing links to events with colleagues within our multidisciplinary company. The library is a useful resource when researching evidence to support integration of GI into a project.	475677-475668-50124148
It needs its own website, it really isn't easy to find.The events calendar works well but working for the VCS travel and ticket costs are prohibitive.I am aware that events are not run by the partnership.	475677-475668-50124732
Newsletter could be better presented so articles of interest stand out.	475677-475668-50125237
not all relevant to my field. A lot of it is generic. Teeth are needed to actually implement anything. It needs to be firmly established in the NPPF to become a material consideration in Planning	475677-475668-50125367
research and policy updates	475677-475668-50125945
news letter is a great succinct place for GI information. It would be great if you could plug yourself into other organisations, e.g. CIRIA who I am working with on a project to produce support and guidance on using GI to improve the performance of linear infrastructure. I think together you would all be more powerful.	475677-475668-50126960
I find the Newsletter very valuable and especially the links to new documents (Research/Policy) Perhaps 'curating' some of the documents that have similar themes and that have come out over time (say a couple of years) could be put together as a 'special edition' of the Newsletter with a commentary?	475677-475668-50126774
The newsletter and resource library include references to research and findings which are of interest to my work.	475677-475668-50128643
The e-newsletter I find is a vital resource to keep me abreast of the latest thinking, policy changes and opportunities available.	475677-475668-50129902
Simply because of my current employment	475677-475668-50139244
Newsletter excellent for latest news - don't always have time to read but I can find information on TCPA web site if looking for specifics.	475677-475668-50138546
I find the newsletter very helpful as it exposes me to new ideas from sectors that are not entirely familiar to me. Innovative practices, whilst they may not be directly applicable in my circumstances does challenge our current way of working and prompt changes.	475677-475668-50124632
The Newsletter is excellent	475677-475668-50145896

Curates egg	475677-475668-50146543
Quite new to the GIP. Tend to be lead by the newsletter (i.e. articles / information contained therein can sometimes lead me to discover other resources). Difficult to make an assessment on value and improvements as I'm still finding my way around.	475677-475668-50153741
The e. newsletter is something a look forward to receiving, along with the TCPA. The news source and professional knowledge are essential to modern conservation. I actually seek to set myself up as a sole trader for GI provision and advice, due to the multifunctional nature of GI and Ranger work, which I have over twenty years front line experience.	475677-475668-50164518
Newsletter and the links therein are very useful, and interesting.	475677-475668-50174430
The newsletter is one of the best in the sector, I just need more time to read it. I should make more use of your other resources too.	475677-475668-50202183
The newsletter is a fantastic compendium of what's going on across the country. It's one of the few newsletters I always make sure to skim all the headlines of to make sure I'm up to date. I use the resource library often to find reports, either those i forget the name of or to see if there is new research. The search function isn't always very intuitive, though.	475677-475668-50197838

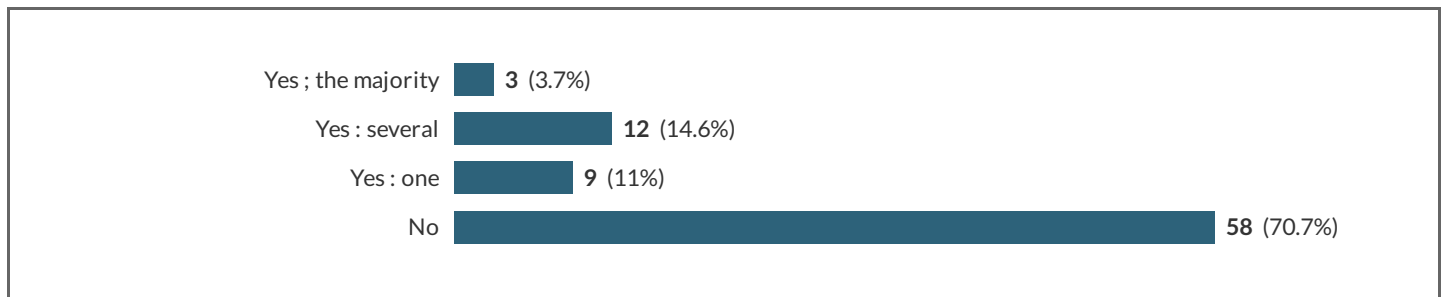
7 Are you attending the Green Infrastructure Partnership Annual Conference on 10 July 2019?



7.a If yes , what do you hope to gain from the event?

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Networking and raising awareness of our project	475677-475668-47256893
Contacts, an understanding of direction of travel of government, the chance to have a say	475677-475668-47552962
Opportunity to hear from others about their work and latest developments around policy, practice and research. Networking with a wider range of people that are involved with GI.	475677-475668-47577082
Information, learning, contacts	475677-475668-47658057
We will be represented at the event. We would see it as an opportunity to learn from and share emerging good practice	475677-475668-47755129
Informed insights into current and emerging policy and practice; where new work is required.	475677-475668-48169568
How to embedd green infrastructure in new developments	475677-475668-49353062
Latest on research and development in gi, case study information	475677-475668-49558590
knowledge and connections	475677-475668-50119053
networking/ latest best practice	475677-475668-50138546

8 Have you attended previous annual conferences?



8.a What observations would you make on the events you attended in terms of your expectations?

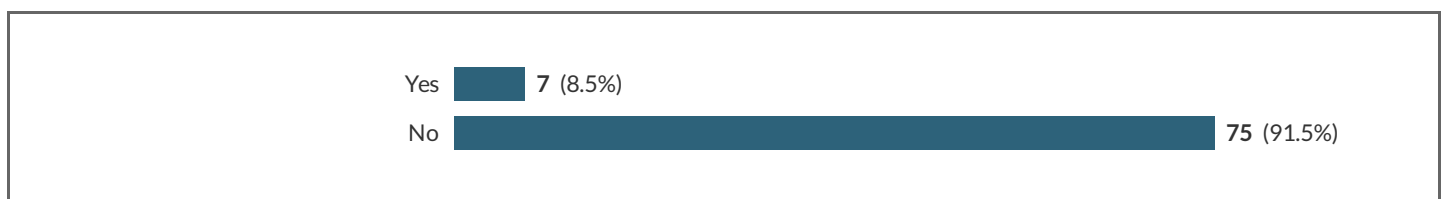
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Very inspiring but often preaching to the converted.	475677-475668-47324879
They are largely forums for sharing ideas between existing stakeholders. I'm not sure if they reach out to wider audiences	475677-475668-47338491
They have been very helpful informative and excellent networking opportunity	475677-475668-47522167
Well worth it as a networking event	475677-475668-47552962
Generally useful events, but will wait to see the speakers list before booking. Like to see policy updates and best practice presentations from the UK. International case studies of less interest. Would welcome more	475677-475668-47555381

from the TCPA and areas they are working in.	
Very useful.	475677-475668-47577082
Good content, well attended	475677-475668-47658057
I attended as part of a former role - it was useful at the time, but there is less time and budget available in my current role to attend now.	475677-475668-47733053
A good chance to share good practice and network. Content is always very good, with good quality speakers.	475677-475668-47755129
well organised, good quality venues in convenient location, good speakers; because I think I am well in the loop/ informed, it sometimes seems the amount of new info/ case studies/ projects is limited; improvements: more formal networking opps - EUGIC had company speed dating slot; I'd like more "implementation" and less strategy/ academic stuff. When I say implementation, I mean examples that are presented in a way that they help others to move forward to implementation, we used this approach, this is our learning, these are lessons learnt. I heard a number of talks that were nice and interesting, but I did not walk away thinking, ok, this is what I need to do in Oxfordshire to make more GI delivery happen. They are not the kind of events, where I ring up the senior env manager from OCC and say, you must go, you are going to get so many great ideas how to push the agenda in your county	475677-475668-47792878
Good though not perhaps as forward thinking as possible.	475677-475668-48169568
Always in London - please move them around the UK	475677-475668-48228736
generally see the events as good networking opportunity BUT they are preaching to the converted. Is there a role to engage with the difficult audiences who have not yet accepted the role of GI.	475677-475668-48490758
preaching to the converted	475677-475668-49134311
Very useful to hear of successfully projects and research. Useful to network and speak to practitioners on their lessons learnt.	475677-475668-49241675
Very good.	475677-475668-50119053
I thought the event was very well run and had a good mix of delegates from different professional backgrounds	475677-475668-50119743
Useful and well organised	475677-475668-50123685
Interdisciplinary	475677-475668-50126473
Met my expectations- always make useful contacts and follow up afterwards	475677-475668-50138546
I have always enjoyed the presentations and made useful contacts there.	475677-475668-50202183

8.b What was most valuable and beneficial to you in those events?

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Good opportunity to have a sense of the state of the political debate.	475677-475668-47256893
Networking.	475677-475668-47324879
Networking	475677-475668-47338491
To be brought up to date with the latest knowledge in GI	475677-475668-47522167
Networking	475677-475668-47552962
Policy updates and explanations. Better to hear it from the horse's mouth than read the policy document. Also good networking.	475677-475668-47555381
learning about the work of others, not only the presenters but also other delegates during the breaks.	475677-475668-47577082
Contacts and content	475677-475668-47658057
The networking opportunities.	475677-475668-47733053
Sharing good practice and networking.	475677-475668-47755129
inspiration at times sorry, struggling to recall anything specific	475677-475668-47792878
Networking with like-minded people	475677-475668-48228736
1. the networking opportunity 2. chance to communicate my NERC KE work 3. chance to elicit views from the audience.	475677-475668-48490758
networking	475677-475668-49134311
Good presentations and workshops	475677-475668-50119053
Quality of speakers and quality of other delegates and networking	475677-475668-50119743
Hearing about case studies and networking	475677-475668-50123685
Creative Commons licenses making tools accessible and transparent	475677-475668-50126473
Contacts that have led to close working eg with Alister Scott - matrix, Julia Thrift Geen Cities, Krista Patrick - GM approach to net gain - Gemma Jerome etc	475677-475668-50138546
I have always enjoyed the presentations and made useful contacts there.	475677-475668-50202183

9 Have you collaborated with the Green Infrastructure Partnership on running, presenting or sponsoring any event, seminar, or activity?



9.a Outline the nature of your collaboration(s)

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Asked to speak or present at a range of seminars/workshops	475677-475668-47338491
Spoke at a seminar about 5 years ago	475677-475668-47549836
Presenting at key events to share key policy and delivery developments.	475677-475668-47755129
Contributed to discussions on the future of the GIP, how GI evidence could be made more widely available.	475677-475668-48169568
Landscape Institute partners TCPA	475677-475668-48228736
Presentations : key notes at conference Presentations to GIP sounding board Interactive exercises with GIP events Using GIP sounding board to help my NERC work Help shape links to strengthen GIP work alerting them to work in Scotland and Wales.	475677-475668-48490758
joint presentation at conference and helped with venue/invites etc with Green Cities event Sept 19	475677-475668-50138546

9.b What comments would you make about the value of such collaborations?

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Useful to promote our particular agenda and to get useful feedback - but again primarily from within the sector	475677-475668-47338491
As I say TCPA do not reach out to us	475677-475668-47549836
Collaboration with GIP is very helpful. There is a sense in which the GIP is a critical friend, particularly in a policy context. This can be a tough role to play well. It is important to get the balance right between recognising the good work achieved and looking to what improvements can be made in the future. Perhaps best described as a combination of encouragement and prodding in equal measure.	475677-475668-47755129
Very positive and constructive.	475677-475668-48169568
Very valuable sharing of resources	475677-475668-48228736
These are really good opportunities.	475677-475668-48490758
Really beneficial for myself, my authority and region- direct working, new partnerships, shared best practice. Put our own work on the map that in turn has attracted greater interest and commitment to our work both locally and by other partners and organisations and govt bodies eg NE and DEFRA.	475677-475668-50138546

10 What do you see as the principal role(s) of the Green Infrastructure Partnership to be?

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Not sufficiently experienced or knowledgeable to comment.	475677-475668-47107829
Promoting the role of GI beyond the usual suspects. Great to share best practice.	475677-475668-47324879
Providing a network and forum for discussion and developing common approaches. Could be used better by Defra and the statutory agencies to provide leadership and information.	475677-475668-47338491
Sharing info and shaping policy	475677-475668-47424228
An informal network exchanging view and comment on GI which may inform TCPA of issues it might consider appropriate to raise through its own advocacy.	475677-475668-47522167
Continue to disseminate information, good practice etc. Bring people together	475677-475668-47549836
Co-ordination and communication	475677-475668-47551262
Setting the agenda, lobbying at the highest level of government (Treasury)	475677-475668-47552962
Information sharing, influence policy, influence and improve practice	475677-475668-47553154
To advocate and champion best practice in GI within a Planning context	475677-475668-47555162
Disseminating information. Allowing cross sector working and learning to flourish.	475677-475668-47555381
Answering the question about maintenance of GI - who will maintain it? If we solve that problem we can install loads more!	475677-475668-47557987
Sharing of knowledge, practice and education between partnership members. Promoting the benefits of GI.	475677-475668-47577082
I have never heard of them prior to this survey that was sent to me by a colleague.	475677-475668-47582602
Bringing the UK GI sector together (for instance to make connections, identify shared concerns, etc). Like any umbrella network, it should enhance, rather than compete with, the organisations it exists to serve.	475677-475668-47658057
Not sure	475677-475668-47692916
networking, knowledge and opportunity sharing	475677-475668-47732551
Acting as a trusted intermediary - academics to LA's and Planners, and across disciplinary boundaries.	475677-475668-47739453
A convener A forum where particular issues relating to GI can be discussed widely and freely.	475677-475668-47733053
Demonstrating the effectiveness of GI in different contexts and the potential for scaling up	475677-475668-47754329
1. Bringing together people from across the industry and across different	475677-475668-47755129

<p>1. Bringing together people from across the industry and across different sectors who all have an interest in GI and enabling partnership, good conversation and stimulating new thinking.</p> <p>2. Showing what is possible through sharing of good practice, not just with the converted few, but with those outside the environment sector where GI can deliver wins wins.</p> <p>3. Helping to embed GI policy into practice as widely as possible, particularly in those areas where the need is greatest, but also in areas where there is significant opportunity for enhancing GI.</p> <p>3. Potential role for GIP in building cohesive investment opportunities - joining up multiple funding mechanisms for bigger, better GI.</p>	475677-475668-47755129
<p>knowledge sharing & dissemination facilitating networking, the right partners finding each other to do business together best practice for implementation developing tools and approaches to drive forward GI delivery enable practitioners to make case for GI investment</p>	475677-475668-47792878
Raising awareness amongst policy makers and the public	475677-475668-47938579
Networking with other professionals, coordinating responses to relevant government consultations, sharing research	475677-475668-47981805
Continue pushing for mainstreaming for GI.	475677-475668-48035212
Encouraging collaboration and sharing of knowledge; bringing expertise together, helping to identify and develop future solutions and applications of GI.	475677-475668-48169568
Pool of knowledge and GI resources, collating and sign-posting training and networking opportunities, communicating research, case studies and guidance provided by others to members	475677-475668-48228736
no basis for comment	475677-475668-48417643
network and influencer partner organisation champion of good GI	475677-475668-48490758
Sharing knowledge.	475677-475668-49072031
info and knowledge exchange	475677-475668-49134311
Knowledge brokering and knowledge exchange (especially at the academia-practitioner-local government interface)	475677-475668-49135007
Spread best practice Promulgate research evidence and evaluations Act as a link between members	475677-475668-49185691
all that is advocating GI and that helps with evidence and technical guidance of what needs to be done, where and how.	475677-475668-49186664
knowledge exchange	475677-475668-49227986
Promoting Green Infrastructure & networking/providing information/signposting good examples	475677-475668-49230940
Advising and reviewing best practice	475677-475668-49241675
Bringing together best practice, spear heading more research in how to	475677-475668-49353062

mainstream GI	
A forum for collection and dissemination of knowledge, and a collective mouthpiece for policy influence in related issues	475677-475668-49497915
Networking facilitation Information dissemination Practitioner support	475677-475668-49558590
Information and practice exchange	475677-475668-49646046
Information and dissemination, networking	475677-475668-50114608
Monitoring national policy, as a resource for decision makers, promoting best/innovative practice	475677-475668-50114891
Credible assessments of issues with the underlying evidence. Encouraging collaboration Helping to host sessions on key topics Assistance with finding partners, or solutions	475677-475668-50115154
Communication and advocacy	475677-475668-50114617
Shake off the business of merely extrapolating from yesterday. Work back from 2031. If you are not clear as to why 2031, then you have not understood the IPCC 1.5C warming report.	475677-475668-50117625
Awareness raising; connecting knowledge and practice	475677-475668-50119053
A forum to bring people together with a shared interest in policy, practice and research. Does it/ should it also have a lobbying function? Could it in future with funding with more funding have a function to support/ co-ordinate physical demonstrations?	475677-475668-50119743
I would like the GIP to keep plugging away at the benefits of green infrastructure especially as it relates to nature rather than other forms of green infrastructure.	475677-475668-50120204
Connecting the myriad of different players involved or potentially involved in GI Disseminating news and best practice articles	475677-475668-50120285
research and dissemination, enabling other organisations and individuals to act on the findings	475677-475668-50122392
Informing projects Coordinating partners and options Sharing best practice and news	475677-475668-50122837
Information and best practice dissemination	475677-475668-50123724
Promotion of benefits to both government and the general public	475677-475668-50123685
To promote GI, support research and implementation of GI across a variety of scales. To educate current decision makers, and emerging / future advocates. There is a big push on STEM activities in schools and students are well aware of the 'climate emergency'. Can GI get a bigger presence within STEM? Can you reach out to other organisations like scouting / DofE to engage volunteers and inspire the next generation?	475677-475668-50124148

Sharing best practice and innovation Influencing future policy	475677-475668-50124732
Sharing best practice.	475677-475668-50125237
Pressure group / information source	475677-475668-50125367
campaigning for better GI and knowledge sharing/training.	475677-475668-50126053
promoting research, policy & events	475677-475668-50125945
Information dissemination and providing opportunity for networking and collaboration	475677-475668-50126473
Information sharing, best practice raising, as before it would be good if you could collaborate with other organisations like CIRIA, if you are not already: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PPRPRWZ And record centers, e.g. GiGL	475677-475668-50126960
Information dissemination Networking	475677-475668-50126774
To promote GI and to share relevant research and opportunities that are available.	475677-475668-50128643
To inform those working in the green sector.	475677-475668-50129902
The dissemination of information, ideas and opportunities around GI	475677-475668-50128248
sharing and promoting good practice advocates for GI	475677-475668-50138987
Delivery of GI strategies projects/principles	475677-475668-50139244
Facilitate shared learning and practice to embed /deliver good GI Support and maintain case for continuing GI related research Raise at a national level case for GI to ensure on Govt and others agendas to ensure appropriate policy and funding	475677-475668-50138546
To champion best practice and lobby for recognition / resources.	475677-475668-50124632
I don't really know what its principal role is.	475677-475668-50145896
Knowlegde dissemination and good practice	475677-475668-50146543
Dissemination of information; providing access to resources; networking	475677-475668-50153741
A resource of information and a forum for discussion for and between GI professionals.	475677-475668-50154773
Promote and share good practice	475677-475668-50156534
To continue to provide up to date information on pan European GI advancements and theories.	475677-475668-50164518
Linking like minded people and a source of information and expertise.	475677-475668-50174430
Bring the sector together, disseminate information and share best practice	475677-475668-50202183
Knowledge sharing. Connecting GI professionals to each other. Promoting new work, research and case studies.	475677-475668-50197838

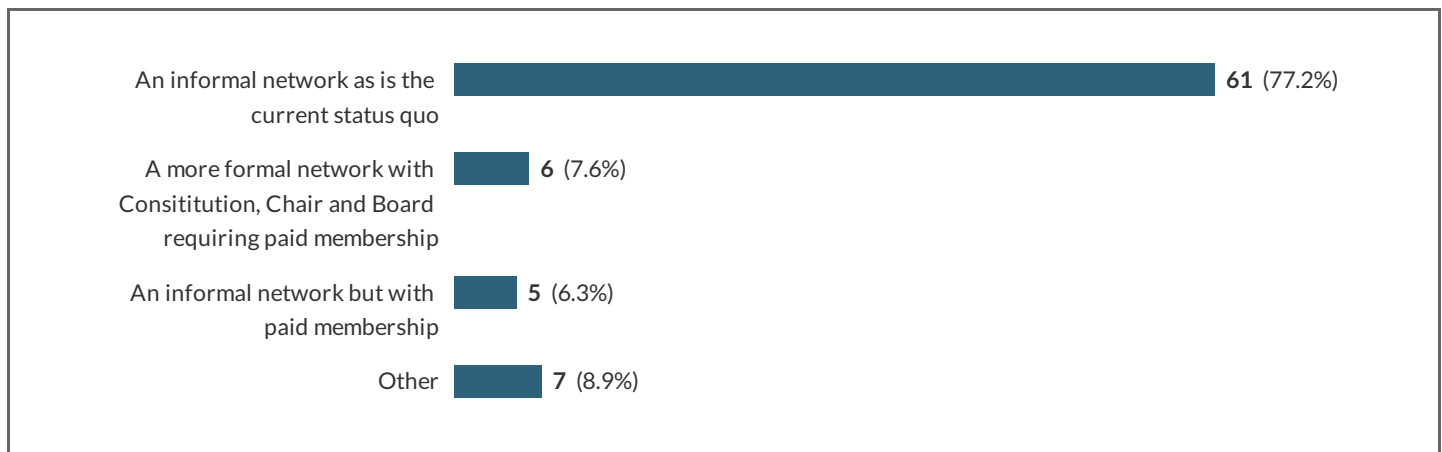
10.a As a voluntary partnership with no direct funding are there any other roles you think it should be undertaking? Please justify your answer.

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Would ask the question as to why no funding and whether this maybe in part due to duplication in effort?	475677-475668-47107829
Principally a liaison role - drawing together different actors from different sectors to try and support sharing of good practice and learning	475677-475668-47256893
-	475677-475668-47324879
No	475677-475668-47338491
Not at this point	475677-475668-47424228
Make partnerships with a wider range of organisations. I don't think it is necessary to justify this suggestion!	475677-475668-47549836
interface with academics to bridge the gap between the research and practitioners?	475677-475668-47553154
Highlight good practice - to give it wider exposure within the Planning community	475677-475668-47555162
Focus on the core basics.	475677-475668-47658057
Not sure	475677-475668-47692916
No	475677-475668-47739453
It is really for the GIP to determine this itself. I would see it playing a role in the above, particularly helping to address inequalities in provision/distribution of GI and ensuring that it meets the needs of those that need it most.	475677-475668-47755129
in answer to next question: please, please don't make it a more formal network! that would be such a waste of time and turn-off. I can see merits in paid membership. What would I be willing to pay? To be honest, if it helped me to secure one consultancy contract p.a., it would be well worth £200 p.a. I am just translating https://gruenstattgrau.at/ . Once it is published in English, please have a look. very interesting model. It brings together businesses, researchers, LA etc on green walls and green roofs (I may get permission to share word doc of website translation if you are interested)	475677-475668-47792878
No - I think it does fine as it is!	475677-475668-47981805
No, overstretching the organisation would be counterproductive.	475677-475668-48035212
As a member living in the NW, I don't find it easy to attend London events so I support and attend meetings of the GIP North (Mersey Forest). It would be helpful if the GIP could encourage more regional and devolved nation partnerships, and diversify activities away from London.	475677-475668-48228736
No comment	475677-475668-48417643

no its needs to achieve these roles more explicitly securing a wider partnership base. Danger that membership is the usual suspects that support GI.	475677-475668-48490758
lobbying for change	475677-475668-49134311
I guess the answer to this depends on the resources that are available to do more in a context of a voluntary partnership with no direct funding (e.g. time, willingness). Without knowing that it is hard to comment.	475677-475668-49135007
Share draft responses to consultations where relevant - most probably from a member that has been quick off the mark or feels it is of national or pan national importance	475677-475668-49185691
no needs to get this better web site is key	475677-475668-49227986
Identifying opportunities for funding from centra gov.	475677-475668-49241675
not sure	475677-475668-49353062
No	475677-475668-49497915
Awareness raising for the 'unconverted' - in order to help overcome barriers to gi implementation	475677-475668-49558590
Keep being a credible source of knowledge, opinions and connections	475677-475668-50115154
Get the story out.	475677-475668-50117625
It should be advocating for delivery funding	475677-475668-50119053
Not without funding!	475677-475668-50119743
Lobbying local authorities to do more, partly by advocating best practice and those ahead of the pack!	475677-475668-50120204
Lobbying government	475677-475668-50120285
linking up more with other bodies re nat cap, etc	475677-475668-50122392
No	475677-475668-50123724
Feel that above objective should be the main focus	475677-475668-50123685
Working with partners to raise public understanding.	475677-475668-50125237
widen collaboration with bodies such as- LAs; landscape institute; TDAG (trees and design Action Group); links with health and NHS and lobby for NPPF	475677-475668-50125367
lobbying government	475677-475668-50125945
Working with CIRIA https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PPRPRWZ	475677-475668-50126960
Facilitating with partners areas that need further work Data gathering on specific subjects (expert opinion/case studies) in collaboration with other bodies that can access funding	475677-475668-50126774
With its limited funding it does a good job.	475677-475668-50128643
The fact the GIP has no direct funding and is run on a shoestring supports my contention that the sector as a whole is under-resourced.	475677-475668-50128248

Our organisations has no staff and no direct funding and we operate on a budget of around £30k per annum. We are able to generate £300k+ per annum of investment through effective partnership working, building a network of interested parties in all organisations. This is a long term strategy which requires the patient building of relationships with all who have an element of common interest. I can only suggest GIP do the same (and if you are already doing it do more of it)	
Collaboration with other charities e.g. Fields in Trust, Wildlife Trusts, Sport England	475677-475668-50139244
not that I can think of.	475677-475668-50138546
In addition to supporting the dissemination of knowledge and practical experiences/best practices linked to GI, I would also like to see the GIP help establish collaborative research projects, by setting up meetings for researchers, funders and other GI stakeholders where research gaps and needs can be established and new projects jointly developed.	475677-475668-50145896
Not sure. LNPs have the same problem. Perhaps an alliance to seek greater funding for these - or even an amalgamation of sorts.	475677-475668-50146543
As a voluntary organisation you already seem to be doing a lot (Well Done!)	475677-475668-50153741
Advocating model forms of GI policy and stewardship.	475677-475668-50154773
Not sure at the moment. Maybe an chance to become more influential to business and policy making.	475677-475668-50164518
Within its existing remit, it could do more to champion diversity in the industry. This can be done in small ways by amplifying lesser heard voices, making sure any events organised by the partnership are gender and/or ethnicity balanced (pledge to not do any all male panels), sharing articles/reports from fields adjacent to but relevant to GI (including non-academic literature) and giving platforms to people who might not be the highest level people in their orgs to speak at events/co-author articles, etc. Future of London has good advice: https://www.futureoflondon.org.uk/networks/diversity/ .	475677-475668-50197838

10.b What kind of structure do you favour for the Green Infrastructure Partnership?



10.c The Green Infrastructure Partnership is free to join as an informal network. Because there is no formal structure the Green Infrastructure Partnership does not try to represent the views of its membership - for instance, responses to consultations are not submitted on behalf of the Partnership. Do you prefer the current free-to-join informal network or would you prefer a more formal organisational structure? Please justify your answer with suggested mechanisms and finance as appropriate.

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Cannot comment	475677-475668-47107829
It is important to understand why a more formal structure would be beneficial and for whom? Clearly, a paid institution might give the partnership more resources but it might also exclude some organisations and individuals who have a valuable contribution to make. In terms of increasing the recognition of GI in the political arena a more formal structure might be useful. However, the partnership has already been quite successful in doing so without a formal constitution.	475677-475668-47256893
I think an informal structure is much more welcoming and better for engaging people.	475677-475668-47324879
I think it should be free to join but underpinned with additional resources from Defra to ensure it can create a slightly more formal structure which guarantees more regular and consistent participation by key stakeholders	475677-475668-47338491
Informal network ok	475677-475668-47424228
I don't think the partnership should try to represent the views of its members but by charging a fee it can be more effective	475677-475668-47549836
Prefer current network - most useful as a networking resource and we don't need another formal organisation that creates work	475677-475668-47551262
As it is	475677-475668-47553154
Most important role is to advocate to as wide an audience as possible. So keep it free to keep widest reach. Good GI at implementation level may rely on lots of small good decisions being made by people with limited wider understanding - a paid membership would unfortunately reduce exposure of good GI to this important audience, probably limiting it to GI specialists whose main day job is already GI focussed.	475677-475668-47555162
It would be difficult for such a broad partnership to speak with one voice. As partners are free to respond to consultations themselves, what is the GIP adding by responding? Responses may be watered down in order for everyone to sign up to and therefore of less value. Paid membership will lead to a drop in members. We certainly wouldn't have a budget to pay for membership.	475677-475668-47555381
Current free to join informal network is preferred. Attracts a range of organisations some of whom may not join if a fee were payable and their insight could be missed.	475677-475668-47577082
free to join	475677-475668-47582602
Free-to-join informal network should remain the default structure.	475677-475668-47658057
Free to join is good. Just needs a different way of working. Should link up	475677-475668-47692916

Free to join is good, just needs a different way of working. Should link up with www,oppla.eu which is trying to do something very similar	475677-475668-4752910
The ability to respond to Government consultations and inquiries would be invaluable.	475677-475668-47739453
Membership fees (with perhaps different levels so as not exclude current wide membership) would enable some (but hopefully not a heavy top down) organisation possibly with opportunities to carry out small pieces of work to answer policy relevant questions.	475677-475668-47754329
everybody wants something for free. The current model is excellent value for money (quite a bit for free), but it limits the nature, direction, impact and future growth of partnership. It sometimes feels a bit like a self-help group, finding like-minded people to give you a bit of comfort that nobody else understands you. Can we transform to something more assertive!? If you switched to paid membership, you would lose all the talking-shop people. people who are willing to invest money, are more serious about doing business. What would you offer in return? If you got a third party to pay you to build up an improved service offer, ran it for free for a year to demonstrate benefits/value and then switched to paid membership (or always give people 3/6 months free membership), get the produces of GI infrastructure & GI consultants on board, Scotscape, deeproot, Greenbluurban, greengage, big consultancies (WYG, ARUP, LUC, water utilities, developers, infrastructure Network rail & others who have big GI estate, gardentowns, Ebbsfleet & co, would make LEP & growth board pay an annual membership fee?!)	475677-475668-47792878
The current situation works well, as developing consultation responses on behalf of multiple organisations is often more trouble than it's worth! An informal network works well where general shared positions can be developed and then integrated into separate organisational responses.	475677-475668-47981805
Prefer current free to join so that younger professionals can take part and bring fresh ideas without another professional membership cost.	475677-475668-48035212
The informal network does not necessarily need to change but it could invite the members to combine more formally and to reference the GIP as the valuable mechanism by which these combinations came about; ask that they acknowledge/credit the GIP parentage/origins so decision makers and other stakeholders can register its importance.	475677-475668-48169568
Stay the same, free membership and email updates; events to bear a small charge to recoup costs; Object to introduction of a formal structure as members come from very different backgrounds. Though we all benefit from the exchange of ideas, we do not necessarily share the same outlook and views. Any attempt to collate (for example) consultation responses that the whole membership would be willing to sign up to would be problematic.	475677-475668-48228736
no its flexibility is its key strength	475677-475668-48490758
Preference is free to join and informal. A more formal organisation will carry costs, which individuals may be reluctant to pay and will therefore be discouraged from joining.	475677-475668-49072031
keep as is but be realistic about what it can achieve	475677-475668-49134311
An organisation able to formally raise the visibility of green infrastructure through, for example, evidence driven responses to consultations would	475677-475668-49135007

through, for example, evidence-driven responses to consultations would certainly be valuable. Perhaps membership with different levels of fees for, say, private sector, academia and third sector would be a way to facilitate this? I am not familiar with the inner workings of the TCPA, however I wonder if the provision of Masters projects (or even ESRC Collaborative/Case studentships with in-kind support) would facilitate some of this evidence-based engagement on an ongoing basis?	
Prefer current structure as it does not exclude anyone for reasons of cost or policy	475677-475668-49185691
Keep informal and free as formality and making a charge will limit the number of people who can remain engaged. eg if a paid subscription is needed, staff on the fringe of GI would be excluded, and an organisation might only pay for one subscription or one person to attend meetings - which doesn't reflect the broad interest in GI from multiple different people across an organisation.	475677-475668-49186664
free to join	475677-475668-49227986
Only more formal if there is a need for another organisation to promote GI and provide consultation responses - not sure if there is	475677-475668-49230940
Prefer the current arrangement if it is financially sustainable. Paid memberships tend to skew agendas and views to those who can afford to pay, which is not always the most objective situation.	475677-475668-49497915
I like the informal free to join network as it is inclusive. However the lack of funding limits how much the organisation can do. If it were to be fee paying it should remain informal and be low-cost to join.	475677-475668-49558590
Its current structure is reflective of the lack of support from government. Its a bit of a chicken and egg scenario. Would creating a more formal structure encourage a greater profile for green infrastructure or is the formal structure only beneficial when green infrastructure has a greater profile	475677-475668-50114608
Could GIP develop a 'think-tank' strand, and in particular discovering and promoting good practice from other countries. Something New Economics Foundation has done a bit. Will need funding for paid researchers	475677-475668-50114891
Some benefits to being an established entity. Understand the issue over funding. Sponsors often with their own agendas. Any value in a lottery bid?	475677-475668-50115154
Current system seems to work well	475677-475668-50114617
Sit down and work out what you want to do. Then do it.	475677-475668-50117625
Actually I have no preference to free or paid membership	475677-475668-50119053
I think the LETI network - that I am active in provides a good model for how a voluntary network can do this to very good effect.	475677-475668-50119743
For a volunteer this structure is best. I could not afford a subscription and would be reluctant to pay but I do get benefit from what I receive and it helps me to keep our own LA on its toes!	475677-475668-50120204
I prefer the current free-to-join informal network but don't see why such a	475677-475668-50120285

arranging cannot lobby NE / Defra / DfT / Government etc?

grouping cannot lobby NE / DfID / DF / Government etc. Mechanism for finance via Grant bids for specific research and events?	
as now a more formal partnership risks over structure and eating resources whilst it would be great to submit responses to consultations, these eat time and money and I think encouraging organisations and members to use the GI info to provide responses is the right way, rather than changing to do that itself	475677-475668-50122392
Not sure, but I would be happy to contribute some time if a decision is made to make it more formal	475677-475668-50122773
Free and informal to reach the maximum number of people	475677-475668-50122837
Prefer the informal network	475677-475668-50123724
A more formal structure might create stronger links between its member organisations and lend more weight to government focussed representations.	475677-475668-50123685
As a free to join organisation I think you attract a wider membership and thus achieve a larger hive mind of learning and ideas. If the Partnership were to formalize membership what additional benefits would members receive? Would you explore opportunities for professional recognition? For members like me working in a primary discipline outside GI, we may not be supported in membership of a sidestream interest and the Partnership may lose those members and their contributions.	475677-475668-50124148
I don't know if you need it to be a paid membership to be able to represent a shared voice?	475677-475668-50124732
Informal works for me.	475677-475668-50125237
yes	475677-475668-50125367
yes	475677-475668-50125945
Current situation suits me as a retired, but still interested, member - but for those working in the area I suspect something more formal which can express an opinion and give evidence to (say) Parliamentary Select Committees/Royal Commissions would be useful.	475677-475668-50126774
Personally I would prefer the current informal network. It would be difficult to justify paid membership. Submitting responses on behalf of the Partnership could be tricky as members could well have very differing views. It's focus and policy objectives would have to be very clearly defined as it's not such a narrowly focused organisation as some.	475677-475668-50128643
Yes. If we had to pay to participate we would drop out as we could not afford it. We are a very small charity.	475677-475668-50129902
Presumably this model has evolved due to need and circumstance and I would not want to suggest how it can be changed. The partnerships we are involved with are similar in nature and have to operate largely informally and below the radar. The best ones turn this to their advantage by enabling them to make rapid decisions, form informal alliances and share out the credit for any successes with others. If it is a given turn it into an advantage	475677-475668-50128248

into an advantage	
Any costs or formal network may mean less membership and so it is a balancing act for the partnership. IF GI became a chartered status/qualification then it should become a formal network	475677-475668-50139244
I feel the informal partnership works as TCPA as a body responds to consultation that includes GI related issues as do local authorities and others. However if partnership was at risk of lack of funding paid membership would have to be an option. Our LA has recently reviewed membership fees so there is no guarantee the authority would pay.	475677-475668-50138546
At present I feel the structure / arrangement works well. It appears efficient and well organised. We only have so many hours in the day, making it more formal places more demands on peoples' time.	475677-475668-50124632
Not sure I know enough about this.	475677-475668-50146543
This is a challenging topic, hence the "other" response to part (b) of this question. Moving to a more formal structure with paid membership might limit membership to only those professionals very directly involved and might mean that the GIP becomes more of a competitor organisation to other professional institutions. Paid membership would also need to deliver value for money for members, which may mean formal training / chartership type options might need to be developed. Potentially a voluntary donation or partial subscription type approach might be worth a try to see if that encourages greater engagement or whether it sees a drop off in membership as access to certain resources / events becomes limited to members only.	475677-475668-50153741
The GIP could have a role in acting as a champion and advocate for GI in general across the full spectrum of GI objectives whereas much of the sector is made up of bodies that champion specific interests e.g. wildlife or recreation.	475677-475668-50154773
As it is	475677-475668-50156534
If a more formal paid structure is to be introduced then membership should have professional benefits, such as a recognised identification.	475677-475668-50164518
My organisation would not pay for membership . I pay for my membership of TCPA so if there was paid membership maybe TCPA members could go free, or pay a very small fee.	475677-475668-50174430
There are enough formal organisations out there to do things like respond to consultations. Perhaps what the partnership can do is to provide a forum in which people can coordinate amongst themselves if they want to do joint responses or lobbying. Formalising the structure begins and introducing a payment mechanism means it will be more difficult for people to join.	475677-475668-50197838

- 11** The Green Infrastructure Partnership is currently managed by the Town and Country Planning Association <https://www.tcpa.org.uk/>. Have you any observations on these management arrangements? Please justify your answer

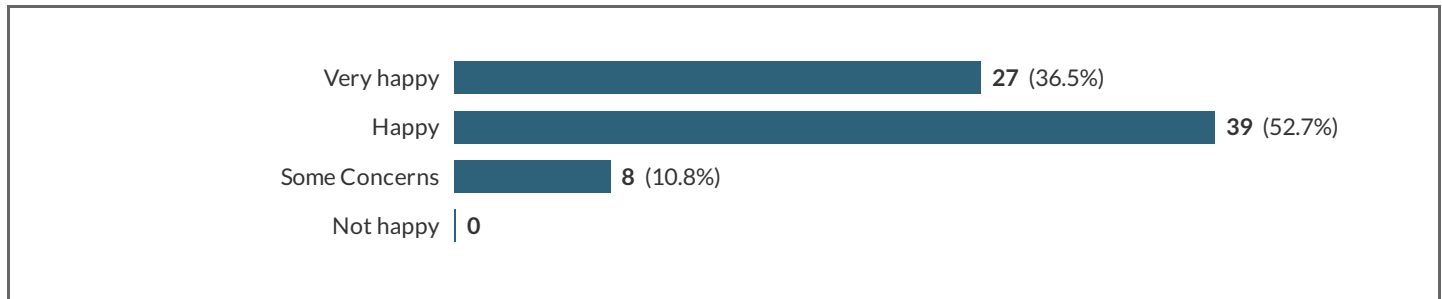
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Great to see this support where I believe, rightly or wrongly, without it the Green Infrastructure Partnership might not exist.	475677-475668-47107829
From an external point of view it seems effective.	475677-475668-47324879
TCPA provide a good service and don't drive a particular agenda or viewpoint thus allowing constructive debate and discussion.	475677-475668-47338491
Seems fine.	475677-475668-47424228
As far as I can tell links with consultancies, engineering and industry could be stronger	475677-475668-47549836
Be good if TCPA can be funded to manage the GIP	475677-475668-47551262
None	475677-475668-47553154
No	475677-475668-47555162
Since the TCPA took over the GIP it has been better run and organised. While there are fewer events, the communication is much better and the number of people engaged much higher. I'd suggest continuing with the same arrangements if you can continue to find sponsors. I'm not adverse to more sponsors messages on the newsletter if that helps support the partnership.	475677-475668-47555381
Works well and gives credibility. TCPA reaches across sectors. It is therefore well placed to bring together a range of relevant organisations into the partnership and to identify emerging research and initiatives in the field of GI.	475677-475668-47577082
I am unclear to what extent the GIP is owned by TCPA for the TCPA's benefit, and to what extent it is owned by the sector for the sector's benefit.	475677-475668-47658057
N/a	475677-475668-47692916
It appears sub-ordinate to the TCPAs focus.	475677-475668-47739453
No	475677-475668-47754329
It seems to be working well.	475677-475668-47755129
They are a high reputation, fairly independent broker (some work on garden cities could be seen as campaigning) - I am happy with that arrangement, but I think you need to test out with e.g. developers, consultancies & businesses)	475677-475668-47792878
Seems to work very well.	475677-475668-47981805
Very happy with TCPA management, very helpful email updates, wide-ranging choice of events and activities offered	475677-475668-48228736
no the management is good however it may be better to have management roles ascribed to other members that support it. so for example i could have a research role? feel also that perhaps there needs to be more delegation to members of the partnership to do things.	475677-475668-48490758
No comment.	475677-475668-49072031

thats good but perhaps more agencies should take active work roles in it.	475677-475668-49134311
N/A	475677-475668-49135007
None	475677-475668-49185691
Planning is a good place in which GI to sit: much is achived through good planning,. bear in midn that non T&C Planning initiatives are also needed - eg forestry, agriculture, recreation sectors.	475677-475668-49186664
seems OK	475677-475668-49227986
None	475677-475668-49353062
Excellent	475677-475668-49497915
Obvious connections are not made between nature based solutions, natural flood management, landscape and nature partnerships, catchment partnerships. Many people are interested in achieving very similar goals but there is no coordination	475677-475668-50114608
Fine	475677-475668-50114891
Not familiar enough to comment except TCPA a well regarded body.	475677-475668-50115154
Do a good job	475677-475668-50114617
As above how do I know I can trust the TCPA?	475677-475668-50117625
seems excellent	475677-475668-50119053
I've sometimes felt my views diverged from the TCPA - on new new towns or the legacy of the original new towns movement.... in particular given the important role that large developers play in funding TCPA.... I've not found this has come into Green Infrastructure Partnership activities.	475677-475668-50119743
Awesome - keep it up!	475677-475668-50120285
seems great to me, always impressed with what comes out and is achieved. well done	475677-475668-50122392
No	475677-475668-50123724
No observations.	475677-475668-50123685
No observations. I am not a member of TCPA. It is great that I can be a member of the GI Partnership without first being a TCPA member.	475677-475668-50124148
Just that it needs a standalone website. No views on how they manage it as don't know the detail. I receive the newsletters and if something catches my eye I click the link, or the continual hunt for training/events relevant to those working with communities and not from a statutory body.	475677-475668-50124732
no.	475677-475668-50125237
good	475677-475668-50125367
excellent!	475677-475668-50126053
n /a	475677-475668-50125945
Seems to have worked well - might be useful to have a collective advisory board from a wider range of disciplines?	475677-475668-50126774

board from a wider range of disciplines:	
No - only gratitude that TCP are willing and able to do what they are doing	475677-475668-50128248
From the past I believe it is a proactive relationship	475677-475668-50139244
Think it sits very well with the TCPA - respected and well known body in field of planning and increasingly in other sectors eg health	475677-475668-50138546
can't think of any - would like to suggest something but have enough worries in trying to keep the LNP going. same problems I would suggest but at a different level.	475677-475668-50146543
No comments. I'm not a planner or member of the TCPA, but can see that GI delivery potentially needs to be planning lead.	475677-475668-50153741
I think the TCPA have done a good job in keeping the partnership going - I am unsure whether there is any other organisation has the national reach and cross-sector policy-influencing role.	475677-475668-50154773
Seems good to me.	475677-475668-50164518
Seems to be running fairly well	475677-475668-50197838

11.a How happy are you with the TCPA management of the Green Infrastructure Partnership?



12 What in your opinion are the core strengths of the Green Infrastructure Partnership? Please justify your answer.

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No comment	475677-475668-47107829
Learning and sharing of good practice. I have picked up useful contacts as well as case study examples.	475677-475668-47256893
Access to key contacts and resources.	475677-475668-47324879
It provides an opportunity to get useful insight, advice and views on key issues. I think Defra and the statutory agencies could use it more effectively than they do.	475677-475668-47338491
Breadth of voices and informaiton	475677-475668-47424228
Objectives are good	475677-475668-47549836

Non-hierarchical, respected and knowledgeable co-ordinator	475677-475668-47551262
A coherent body of opinion and like minded individuals.	475677-475668-47552962
see previous answer re opportunities	475677-475668-47553154
Free dissemination of news on GI and events	475677-475668-47555162
Broad range of organisations and interests which form the partnership, but all interested in GI. Means that things come through this network which I don't pick up elsewhere. backing of the TCPA gives it more permanence and authority.	475677-475668-47555381
The range of GI interests represented. The opportunity for the sharing of information and the promotion of GI.	475677-475668-47577082
Building connections and bringing the sector together under a common purpose	475677-475668-47658057
not sure	475677-475668-47692916
See 10.	475677-475668-47739453
Not been sufficiently involved to comment	475677-475668-47754329
As already described Convenor Enabler of partnership Sharing of good practice Stimulator of new thinking	475677-475668-47755129
free like-minded people - constructive at times can-do attitude high consensus on general approach of value & benefits of natural environment central hub = TCPA, some visibility with outside world ?!	475677-475668-47792878
Good attendance and range of participants, interesting presentations, friendly and open discussion format	475677-475668-47981805
Nationwide network.	475677-475668-48035212
Collaboration of expertise and knowledge sharing.	475677-475668-48169568
As above, gathering and sharing information is key. Most member organisations have their own agendas and programmes for influencing key decision-makers and the GIP could not represent them all well.	475677-475668-48228736
Network and providing succinct information. the TCPA staff (Julia) great organisational skills.	475677-475668-48490758
Sharing information / knowledge.	475677-475668-49072031
focus on GI matters and policy	475677-475668-49134311
-Visibility of green infrastructure on social media; -Focal point for those with interest in green infrastructure in the UK; -Repository for case studies and documents for academics and practitioners.	475677-475668-49135007
See answers to 10	475677-475668-49185691

single focus and palce for GI expertise and information	475677-475668-49186664
One stop shop for GI	475677-475668-49227986
Independence and openess	475677-475668-49497915
Its recognition by the major organisations involved in the environment, planning and development. Its access to expertise, its searchable database and its provision of networking events and opportunities.	475677-475668-49558590
Breadth of information	475677-475668-49646046
Inclusivity	475677-475668-50114891
The network, including its people	475677-475668-50115154
Sharing knowledge and information	475677-475668-50114617
Reasonable name. You have kept the newsletter going, not known to be a core strength though.	475677-475668-50117625
Awareness raising; connecting knowledge and practice	475677-475668-50119053
In hosting events and bringing people together	475677-475668-50119743
I find most of what I receive in the newsletter adds to my knowledge and offers value.	475677-475668-50120204
Collaboration / coordination across the sector. Dissemination of news, events and research items.	475677-475668-50120285
research and information dissemination	475677-475668-50122392
Information sharing. Great source of insight	475677-475668-50122837
The breadth of information sent out	475677-475668-50123724
Its broad base	475677-475668-50123685
Sharing best practice and innovation	475677-475668-50124732
Breath of contributors and high level of evidence based practice.	475677-475668-50125237
don't know enough to comment	475677-475668-50125367
research & policy updates	475677-475668-50125945
Accessible and collaborative	475677-475668-50126473
Independence, access to global information on best practice.	475677-475668-50126960
Primarily information dissemination	475677-475668-50126774
The expertise and clarity of what is being shared.	475677-475668-50129902
promoting good practice and training	475677-475668-50139244
Free so anyone can join thus attracts diverse range of bodies/interests - [possibly could be wider) Its active - delivers new research/updates/events Its effective for networking those working in GI	475677-475668-50138546

The core strengths are the diverse range of practitioners involved and their commitment and enthusiasm for the issues concerning GI. It is responsive and energetic.	475677-475668-50124632
Sharing information through its excellent newsletter	475677-475668-50145896
Not sure - as above - sorry.	475677-475668-50146543
As noted earlier, still finding my way around. The newsletter is really good and has already helped me find some really valuable resources and make new connections.	475677-475668-50153741
It represents the range of objectives and interests that fall within GI - e.g. biodiversity, heritage, recreation, etc - rather than primarily leading on one of these, which many of its members will do.	475677-475668-50154773
Sharing and promoting good practice	475677-475668-50156534
The ability to link land management to relevant social causes.	475677-475668-50164518
Wide range of membership roles.	475677-475668-50174430
The newsletter - this is the resource I use most regularly to read and post	475677-475668-50202183
Seems to be very up-to-date on what's happening in the industry and sharing that info.	475677-475668-50197838

12.a What do you think the single greatest impact/achievement of the Green Infrastructure Partnership has been?

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No comment.	475677-475668-47107829
Increasing the recognition of the term GI amongst a planning audience.	475677-475668-47256893
Getting people talking!	475677-475668-47324879
Helping to develop and promote a more coherent narrative about GI	475677-475668-47338491
Only been involved a short time	475677-475668-47424228
Searchable database of information	475677-475668-47549836
Making accessible a wide range of up to date resources and funding opps	475677-475668-47551262
Getting itself higher up the agenda in local authority terms - now it is recognised as a beacon of good practice it needs to ram home that point and the economic benefits that come with a healthy environment for man and beast.	475677-475668-47552962
Helping to connect otherwise isolated people trying to tackle similar GI challenges.	475677-475668-47555162
Growing the partnership - must be doing something right.	475677-475668-47555381
Facilitating a network for the sharing of GI information and the promotion of GI.	475677-475668-47577082
CIDI	475677-475668-47658057

GIRL	475677-475668-4756657
no idea	475677-475668-47692916
Hard to discern.	475677-475668-47739453
Not been sufficiently involved to comment	475677-475668-47754329
Sharing of good practice across multiple sectors.	475677-475668-47755129
creating a national platform, people talking to each other (that is great, but we need to move on now!) I am not sure about impact? What is different? What would not have happened without the GIP? I don't think we have a clear evidenced narrative for that.	475677-475668-47792878
In the early days of my involvement in the GIP (2015?) the RTPI, TCPA and Landscape Institute used the partnership it as a vehicle to get meetings with MHCLG on the need to update various parts of planning practice guidance, and helped draft the new text	475677-475668-47981805
By continuing the original work of Defra and its agencies, the GIP has kept GI to the forefront of government thinking and created platforms for engaging ministers.	475677-475668-48169568
Gathering together a very wide range of members and contributors with a professional interest in promoting GI, and enabling a regular/ frequent exchange of ideas.	475677-475668-48228736
the NPPG saga where working with NT and LI government changed its mind over deleting GI guidance	475677-475668-48490758
knowledge exchange	475677-475668-49134311
As above, the establishment of the Green Infrastructure Resource Library as a 'one-stop shop' for GI-related information and materials, which is a real service to the UK green infrastructure community.	475677-475668-49135007
Connecting geographically and experiential you diverse members	475677-475668-49185691
giving a prominent name that mutiple different specialisms feel they can relate	475677-475668-49186664
Raising awareness of what can be done now, and what we need to be doing in the future.	475677-475668-49353062
Influencing 25YEP	475677-475668-49497915
Supporting a transition toward mainstreaming gi.	475677-475668-49558590
Providing a somewhat central repository of resources	475677-475668-49646046
Don't know, I only work at a local level	475677-475668-50114891
Creating a body and getting visibility	475677-475668-50115154
Not sure	475677-475668-50114617
To have some awareness of north east London.	475677-475668-50117625
Awareness raising; connecting knowledge and practice	475677-475668-50119053
I'm not sure I know enough to have a definite view	475677-475668-50119743

N/K	475677-475668-50120285
evidence of benefits of GI	475677-475668-50122392
Providing a free service	475677-475668-50123724
Don't know.	475677-475668-50123685
Don't know	475677-475668-50124732
No idea.	475677-475668-50125237
don't know	475677-475668-50125367
raising awareness of policy & research	475677-475668-50125945
Information and research dissemination	475677-475668-50126473
easy access to useful information.	475677-475668-50126960
Information dissemination	475677-475668-50126774
The E-newsletter and raising the profile of Green Infrastructure up the agenda. Possibly more could be done given the current 'Extinction Rebellion' and other climate change interests.	475677-475668-50129902
I don't know enough to say	475677-475668-50128248
Giving GI more recognition when CABI was around!	475677-475668-50139244
Promotion of research and current/latest good practice that has achieved increased recognition of the value of investing in GI	475677-475668-50138546
Raising awareness of a whole range of issues surrounding GI, and sign posting to areas of interest that may be outside of someone's immediate professional sphere.	475677-475668-50124632
Providing a network for people involved in GI	475677-475668-50145896
Getting the principle out there. Local communities now use it and want to plan for it.	475677-475668-50146543
Not able to comment.	475677-475668-50153741
Hard to say but the dissemination of information and bringing together a resource library is valuable to those of us out in the field.	475677-475668-50154773
Continuing to champion GI	475677-475668-50156534
To demonstrate how important natural asset management is on a global scale.	475677-475668-50164518
Reliable place to look for information	475677-475668-50197838

13 What should the Green Infrastructure Partnership change or focus on for the next 5 years to be more effective? Please justify your answers with reference to the challenges and opportunities for green infrastructure you identified in Section A including identifying possible funding routes.

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Identify what it can deliver now and then in five years time. Reverse engineer the 5 year goal.	475677-475668-47107829
GIP should seek to engage a wider audience in the conversation about what is GI and what is it for? The conversation has been largely anthropocentric and needs to allow for a more eco-centric perspective into the debate (focusing on biodiversity outcomes for their own sake - not simply for direct human benefit). Potential funding might lie with adopting academic and industry research partnerships and seeking funding through the funding councils.	475677-475668-47256893
Link into the climate change better.	475677-475668-47324879
See my comments about Defra and the agencies. I think the partnership could provide more oversight and critique in the implementation of the 25 Year Environment Plan.	475677-475668-47338491
To get Green Infrastructure considered as an essential part of the design, planning and management of cities.	475677-475668-47424228
Charge for membership and promote cross-over collaborations/initiatives	475677-475668-47549836
Ecosystem services, green investment bonds and how big business and government need to be not just greenwashing	475677-475668-47552962
Continue to facilitate dissemination of research, improvement in practice methods, sharing them	475677-475668-47553154
Training and advocating GI officers in Forward Planning roles in local planning authorities - for now we have a good national policy context, it is at the local planning level that the skills gaps and ambition lacks. New posts really mean more funding - we cannot magic this into life without making the time and having the necessary professional skillsets in house. It is not an add on to sneak into an existing Planner's job description, it needs each Planning Authority to have one or more people whose main day job is GI Planning.	475677-475668-47555162
More events, held regionally on specific topics. Possibly the creation of a forum to allow members to discuss with each other. This may help with the reduction in expertise in Local Authorities.	475677-475668-47555381
Supporting the mainstreaming of policy and evaluating what is working and what is not in terms of policy and practice.	475677-475668-47577082
Improved meetings and opportunities to collaborate	475677-475668-47658057
Nature based solutions and talking in plain language	475677-475668-47692916
Securing funding for LAs to have in house expertise, and for GI investments.	475677-475668-47739453
Continue to promote GI and justify its use. Encourage research Councils perhaps through new funding or through new Landscape Decisionmaking call to include GI - but need ot act fast on this as call being formulated now	475677-475668-47754329
Helping to address key challenges around climate change, biodiversity loss and health and wellbeing, through the roles set out above. Key role is bringing together unusual groups/sectors to explore new ways of using GI to address challenges. Working with groups outside the environment	475677-475668-47755129

sector, such as health sector, insurance sector, retail sector, developers, infrastructure providers, water sector, land managers etc.	
<p>make GI a significant delivery mechanisms for CC mitigation & CC adaptation</p> <p>facilitate the establishment of GI/ NC investment (beyond the investment plan stage)</p> <p>industry -research-public sector -voluntary sector partnership with focus on implementation</p> <p>funding: membership (demonstrable financial or other benefits to members)</p> <p>subsidies/ grants should only be used for the transition to a new phase in P'ship</p> <p>a long-term strategy needs to be free of dependence on grants/ subsidies</p>	475677-475668-47792878
<p>Exploring best practice in public sector green infrastructure governance (e.g. the necessary working relationships between planners, landscape architects, developers, ecologists, drainage engineers etc.) and campaigning for the resources and skills necessary to achieve successful delivery through partnerships.</p> <p>Embedding green infrastructure into the discussion around how the built environment should be radically reshaped to acheive net zero carbon and climate resilience.</p>	475677-475668-47981805
see above. Additionally, I suspect that a structured project to organise and make available GI evidence would be very valuable; RC funded perhaps?	475677-475668-48169568
<p>Principal focus over next 5 years should be climate change resilience/adaptation via GI;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Address lack of awareness within government and public agencies (esp Treasury) by identifying key contacts, adding them to the GIP newsletter circulation lists, and sending them personal invitations to relevant events and activities; - Set up a series of events with all the key actors (MHCLG, Design Council, Homes England, etc, to promote GI in housing and encourage them to shift the focus of house-building numbers towards liveability and sustainability; - Collate a library of case studies that demonstrate how GI can successfully and viably be incorporated into housing developments; 	475677-475668-48228736
<p>web site</p> <p>establishing a greater role for members working on GIP projects and initiatives,. currently too much done by TCPA</p>	475677-475668-48490758
Be more bold about the climate emergency and the urgent need to improve BGI delivery, particularly retrofit.	475677-475668-49072031
prioritise fewer issues	475677-475668-49134311
<p>-Links with climate change adaptation policy and practice, especially understanding what the role of green infrastructure can be in an equitable and fair response to climate change at the local level;</p> <p>-International collaboration and mutual learning/knowledge-sharing, to learn from elsewhere in the world and transmit knowledge to UK researchers and practitioners.</p>	475677-475668-49135007
Greater focus on accommodating and mitigation of the effects of climate	475677-475668-49185691

change	
more advocacy guidance and case studies to show how where and what we should all be aiming to do. To raise expectations and standards	475677-475668-49186664
Uk remit ; leaning lessons across different parts.	475677-475668-49227986
Data awareness/intelligence. Working to demystify concepts of the natural environment (ie NRN, net gain, ecosystem services) Offering advisory services to LPAs and CAs	475677-475668-49241675
Lobbying to embed GI features in planning, development and management practices across sectors (big ask I'll admit!)	475677-475668-49497915
Embedding gi as part of general infrastructure, supporting practitioners in good practice	475677-475668-49558590
Set some SMART goals for itself, after consultation	475677-475668-50114891
The economic value of acting now. Example of best practice More visibility of the network	475677-475668-50115154
Don't think GI is just a nice place for a walk as an adjunct to an housing estate.	475677-475668-50117625
delivery funding; getting planning legislation to align;	475677-475668-50119053
I think we should wait a bit longer to see what is going to happen... setting ambitious targets that relate to changing national government or policy in the next five years could just lead to disappointment.	475677-475668-50119743
Monitoring the net gain principle and its loopholes and lobbying depending on the results - grant funded research?	475677-475668-50120285
as already said, integrating GI more with nat cap, biodiversity offsetting, climate change mitigation calculators etc. It is all part of the same thing really but confusing to have so many different names and calculators etc	475677-475668-50122392
More of the same	475677-475668-50123724
Promotion of creating up front strategic GI as much falls through the gaps when sites / areas are parcelled up for individual developers	475677-475668-50123685
gaining public support for it's cause.	475677-475668-50125237
as above	475677-475668-50125367
policy & research	475677-475668-50125945
Contributions and endorsements from other professional institutes in planning and development fields	475677-475668-50126473
Improving GI within planning in the UK, what additional support will planners need to help implement and monitor GI and Biodiversity net gain.	475677-475668-50126960
Cannot comment on funding, do not wish to repeat myself - see comments in section A	475677-475668-50126774
Perhaps the role/focus of CABE be brought back as part of the GIP and TCPA i.e. a new organisation including MLA	475677-475668-50139244

Leadership - national event/training aimed at leaders Communication strategy that reaches wider audience - investors in GI Net Gain - how GI integrated with delivery of Nature recovery networks/delivery of net gain possibly something around Monitoring of change - investment in GI and impact of that investment and new local plan policies.	475677-475668-50138546
I feel the GIP should follow its current trajectory. The range of issues explored / highlighted are all very pertinent.	475677-475668-50124632
I would also like to see the GIP help establish collaborative research projects, by setting up meetings for researchers, funders and other GI stakeholders where research gaps and needs can be established and new projects jointly developed.	475677-475668-50145896
Keep promoting the principles and engage communities. My experience is that they want this to be planned for and at the centre of what LAs, developers, statutory bodies etc seek through the planning system	475677-475668-50146543
Not able to comment.	475677-475668-50153741
How to achieve long term, financially sustainable stewardship of GI in the public interest. We need to influence national policy and work to support and promote organisations that can act as exemplars in this process.	475677-475668-50154773
Helping LPA's and others to deliver GI on the ground. Through sharing good practice and challenging barriers including in central government.	475677-475668-50156534
To continue to focus on the 'people' effect of GI. Certain things can't be ignored anymore.	475677-475668-50164518
Responding to consultations and holding government to account.	475677-475668-50174430
The Partnership should pivot more to providing a forum for enabling collaborative working (including joint funding bids or co-funding of projects). Perhaps as part of this, it can take a small cut of any of the requests to help it continue. Another potential future role for the GIP (this would take a few years of establishment first) could be to act as a hub for green finance investment, aggregating projects to take out for financing.	475677-475668-50197838

14 Please add any other comments to feed into this review concerning the future direction and evolution of the Green Infrastructure Partnership

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Is the review survey just being reviewed by those people who are aware of the Green Infrastructure Partnership or should we all be assisting in obtaining the views outside this given circle? Phase 2?	475677-475668-47107829
Not just about planning but also maintenance/retrofit	475677-475668-47549836
Well done so far, and well done for this survey to collect views - I think you are already going in the right direction. Keep up the good work. You might want to try to raise your profile further though: there are numerous GI themed groups about: is it worth linking up with some? And also with	475677-475668-47555162

Professional bodies that cover Planning, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Engineering, Horticulture, Ecology, Arboriculture, Hydrology, Recreation and Active Travel, Health and Social Care, and Education. I'm sure they'd all be very supportive.	
For future reference: a survey full of open text boxes is time-consuming and produces hard-to-aggregate qualitative feedback of questionable use.	475677-475668-47658057
N/A	475677-475668-47692916
More natural science involvement.	475677-475668-47739453
Suggest more regular, short simple reviews, setting out what the GIP intended to achieve over a period of time and asking members to rate how successful they have been in achieving these outcomes.	475677-475668-47755129
exciting times. The more I reflect on it, the more I think we need to move forward (as in more ambitious, thinking bigger, being more assertive, more mainstreaming, multiplying investment and implementation), otherwise there is a risk we just become stagnant. happy to be part of the conversation. TCPA/ Julia are doing an excellent job with the very limited resources they've got. Very grateful. Apologies if some of the previous observations/comments sound a bit harsh.	475677-475668-47792878
I have not really been aware of the work of the GIP. Getting noticed so strong branding might be useful to actually let people know that the group exists.	475677-475668-47938579
see above. I wonder whether the GIP could work with other bodies - HMT, BEIS - to help increase awareness of GI as part of future infrastructure and non-environment thinking? Use Innovate UK funding?	475677-475668-48169568
As a member I think it works well, so don't break it	475677-475668-48228736
Julia has been the rock of GIP. Who would take it over if she left.	475677-475668-48490758
web site needs to be rebuilt.	475677-475668-49134311
N/A	475677-475668-49135007
Important that links with our European colleagues are maintained	475677-475668-49185691
Keep up the good work.	475677-475668-49186664
Role of LNPs as contributors to the partnership.	475677-475668-49227986
Thank you for work done so far. Looking forward to more	475677-475668-49353062
In developing guidance for gi in linear assets I am interested in the potential future direction of LINet	475677-475668-49558590
Flattered to be consulted	475677-475668-50115154
Get with the IPCC reports. And Gen Z, they'll be the ones kicking us if we don't get on with this.	475677-475668-50117625
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n/a	475677-475668-50120285
keep it up please and thanks to everyone who puts time in so people like	475677-475668-50122392

me can benefit...	
N/A	475677-475668-50123685
Higher profile based on Climate Change Emergency	475677-475668-50125367
n /a	475677-475668-50125945
Link with and support commonwealth countries who are behind in terms of GI planning. Make links through ecosystem services and natural capital groups	475677-475668-50126473
Promoting best practice, lobbying and engaging people would be my priorities. Establishing a constituted body may take away some of the energy and responsiveness of the organisation. (Apologies, not very well worded)	475677-475668-50124632
The GI must receive fixed regular income from relevant funders	475677-475668-50145896
best of luck	475677-475668-50146543
No further comments	475677-475668-50153741
Ensuring GI is understood by other disciplines i.e. ecologists as an essential tool to deliver sustainable development	475677-475668-50156534
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