

# Frequently Asked Questions

## Eligibility

### Is the Green Champion programme open to everyone?

Yes, however we will prioritise groups who have high numbers of young people who fall within the target demographic for Generation Green. The project aims to improve equitable access to the outdoors. This means providing support to groups who face social, financial, cultural or practical barriers to participation. Groups we will prioritise will:

1. Live in locations which either **Urban, Coastal**, in the **North** or the **Midlands** AND
2. Have young people who are **Black, Asian, or Minority Ethnicity**, OR have **physical/educational needs** OR live within areas categorised as **IMD1-3** OR face other **financial hardship**.

### How will you know if you are on the priority list?

We will ask you for relevant details of your group when you register. There is also a more detailed document with full details of our priority list available on the Generation Green pages of our website.

## What is included ?

### Do we have to pay anything?

The only cost to you is the cost of transport if you come to one of our centres. However if you do come to one of our centres you are welcome to spend the day with us. Our centres are safe outdoor environments designed for young people to have adventures. We can provide you with free activities and resources to help your young people get the most from their time in the great outdoors.

If you choose the in community option we will travel to you, and there will be no additional costs.

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### If we come to your centres can we do other activities?

Yes. If you choose to visit one of our centres we will provide you with somewhere to use as a base, and run the Green Champion programme for you. Then you can fill the rest of the day using our free adventure resources we have created for you. These include orienteering, nature trails and just bags of bats balls and games equipment!

### Does everyone get a badge and certificate?

Yes! We want our Green Champions to be proud of what they have done. Everyone who completes all 5 steps will receive their own certificate and badge for them to show the world.

## How does it work ?

### Do we have to come to one of your centres?

No, we understand that sometimes you just can't get to us or maybe there are too many of you to transport, so why not organise with us to come to your school/ scout hut.

### How long does it take?

The whole programme requires 2 to 3 hours of time directly led by an adult, then a further 3 hours spent with an adult supporting or supervising young people.

### Do Scout Adventures lead the whole programme?

No. We will always lead the first part of the programme (Steps 1) this will take 1 to 2 hours and we will provide all the resources. Step 2 is a practical project that takes one hour and can be lead by Scout Adventures or your groups Leaders/Teachers.

If you would like Scout Adventures to lead Step 2 then you will need to book a half day programme. If you would like to run the programme in an evening then we will deliver Step 1 and leave you with the materials to run Step 2 at your next meeting; including instructions so that you can run the activity yourself.



Step 4 and 5 must be completed in the community and under the supervision of the groups leaders or teachers. You have 3 months to complete a project which takes roughly 3 hours and builds on the work from the earlier steps. We will provide you with ideas and resources to support this part of the programme.



## Safety

### Who will run the programme?

The first part of the programme will be delivered by our volunteer instructors. All of our instructors have been DBS checked, are trained first aiders, have received Safeguarding training and have been trained to instruct young people.

The second half of the programme is supervised by leaders or teachers from the group. We will provide your with resources to help you run these sections safely.

Scout Adventures are recognised under the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge scheme.

### What about safety paperwork?

We risk assess all of our activities and provided suitable controls to minimise risk, however as with any activity, we can not eliminate risk entirely. In the booking process we will talk to you about any specific risks at your location.

We may organise a pre-programme visit from one of our team, and at the start of your programme a member of our team will work through our safety tool kit to ensure the venue is suitable. As a general rule – if your location is suitable for you to meet normally then it will be suitable for us to run the programme.

We will follow all COVID19 restrictions that apply at the time of the programme.

## What are the themes ?

### Option 1 – Birds, Bugs, and Bees

This theme is all about understanding the role that wildlife plays in ensuring there are healthy ecosystems in our communities. We explore why animals are useful and what they need to survive. The practical parts of this theme focus on improving local habitats to improve biodiversity.

We have activities to provide three routes through this theme – focusing on either birds, bugs or bees. This will largely depend on the environment where we run the session – we will pick the best route for your group.

### Option 2 - Growing Green

In this theme we focus on plants and the role they have in promoting healthy ecosystems. We also look at which plants are beneficial and how the introduction of invasive species can threaten natural balance of an ecosystem.

If you complete this theme at one of our centres then the practical project may involve working with us to improve the woodlands we care for.

### Option 3 – Plastic Pollution

This theme is ideal if you don't have a lot of Green space close to where you meet and you would like us to run the programme in your community (instead of one of our centres). The programme will still use outdoor activity as much as possible.

We look at the items we use in everyday life and what happens to them after they stop being useful to us. Considering how to recycle items within our communities.

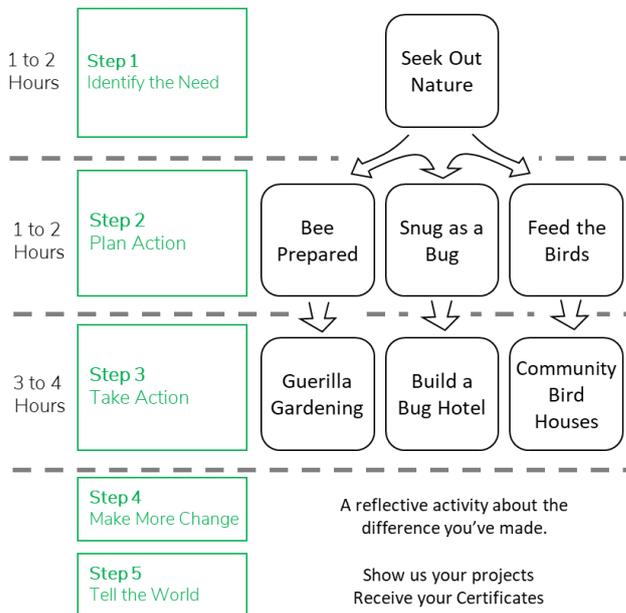


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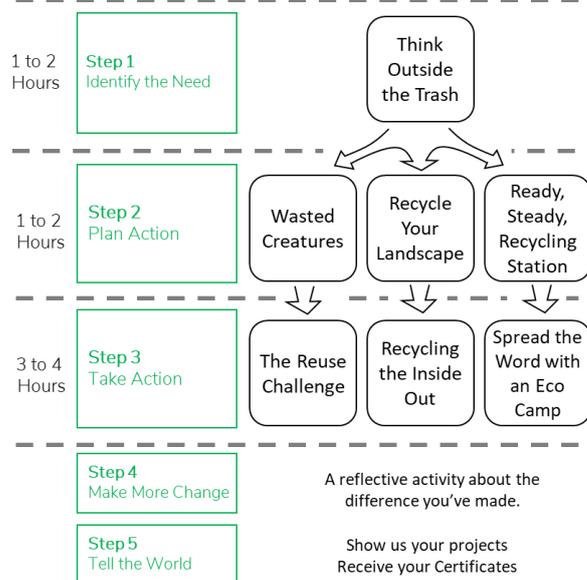
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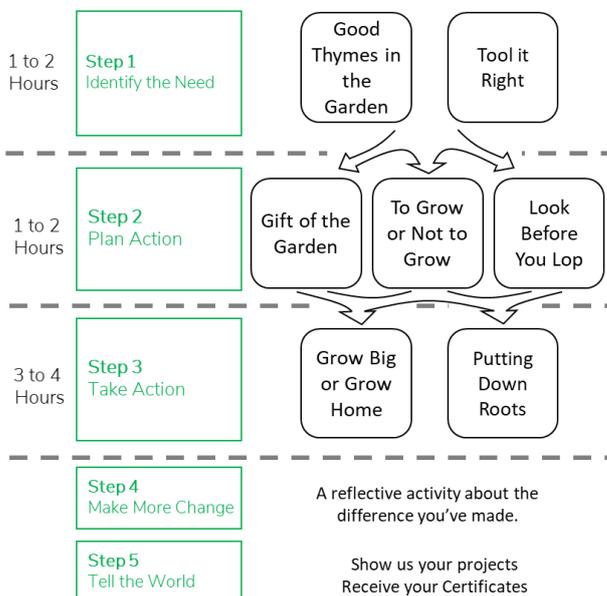
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## Option 2 – Growing Green

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## Learning Outcomes and Method

### Learning Outcomes

All versions of our Green Champion programme share common outcomes:

- To connect young people to the space and place in which they live, taking an active role in their communities.
- To encourage young people to understand, respect and care for the natural environment.
- To prepare young people with skills for life - including planning, dealing with risk, communication, team working, resilience and dedication.

### Our method

We use the Scout methods that have been proven for over a 100 years by over 37 million people around the world:

- Making choices
- Taking responsibility
- Enjoying what you're doing
- Learning by doing
- Working in groups
- Learning outdoors