

Dan Graham: ABUNDANCE PROJECT

https://veganorganic.net/abundance-manchester/

Abundance Manchester is a free, volunteer-led project that harvests surplus fruit from gardens, allotments and community spaces and shares it with local community kitchens, food clubs and shelters. Abundance Project reduces waste, cuts food miles and brings neighbours together — all on a non-commercial, community basis.

Tudor Baker: Manchester City Council Climate Change Officer

Manchester City Council has a target of being a zero-carbon city by 2038. The Council is working to lower carbon emissions from our buildings and services. The Council has local <u>climate action plans</u> for each ward, which show how the Council will support local projects and organisations that work with it. The plans respond to place-based needs and are unique for each area.

If you're involved in local activity to reduce carbon emissions, you may be eligible for <u>Neighbourhood investment funding</u>.

For more info or if there is a project you'd like the Council to support, contact your Climate Change Neighbourhood Officers:

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CHERRY CHUNG

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Cherry Chung is a Manchester-based willow weaver and basket maker, creating sculptures and installations, weaving nature into spaces. She generally uses native materials including willow, bark and rushes to make woven structures, basketry and sculpture, and enjoys finding new ways of combining materials and techniques. Cherry teaches, in schools and at her workshop at GRIT Studios in Stockport, undertakes commissions of all sizes, and works with clients to deliver bespoke training and workshops.

FRIENDS OF RYEBANK FIELDS

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The Friends of Ryebank Fields (FORF) was formed by local people, some of whom have acted as informal custodians of Ryebank Fields since 1996.

The next event at the Fields will be the launch of the annual festive trail on 21st December 3-4.30pm.

FORF is always happy to welcome new people to the campaign. People can ask to be added to mailing list, and/or WhatsApp community for people who want to be actively involved. You can sign the petition and follow them on Facebook / Instagram / YouTube



Nicola Scott and Celia Hooson: CIRCULAR CITY CIC

https://circular-city.org/
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Circular-City is working in Greater Manchester to create sustainable and socially just solutions to help to address the climate and biodiversity crises and build a greener future for all. Circular-City aims to work with local people and communities and to work in partnership with with local government, health, education and voluntary sector organisations.





Sajida Ismail: GRASS ROUTES MOVEMENT grassroutesmovement@gmail.com

Grass Routes Movement creates activities with and for marginalised people to break down barriers to urban and green spaces, to connect with the outdoors and access opportunities, and to explore and experience joyfulness through movement. Grass Routes does this in partnership with organisations working with people who are marginalised, including asylum-seekers, refugees and displaced people. Grass Routes aims to create positive change for those who have been most affected by social and climate injustice.

ANTONY HALL

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Antony Hall (MMU/ SODA Future Media Production) is an artist and academic working at the intersection of science and art. His practice encompasses installation and participatory practices. Hall's research has traversed a broad range of subjects, from the communication signals of electrogenic fish and the phenomenology of hallucination, to listening to the sound of moss and ecological surveys.

Sophie Jones: IN OUR NATURE

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In Our Nature has worked with communities across the city to connect the climate crisis to practical actions we can all take. You can join the In Our Nature Community Champions Network, which has bimonthly meetings to share ideas – and food!

There are also lots of top tips at the In Our Nature Resource Hub: https://www.inournature.uk/resource-hub, and a newsletter which people can sign up to through the website.

HELMUT LEMKE

http://www.sound-art.de

Helmut Lemke is a sound and environment artist whose work is driven by a passion to listen, and to respond to, and to share with, the environment. He performed an excerpt from *More Than Us*, a work that tells of his concern for, and his awe and love of, the natural environment.

The words and sounds of More than us are responses to the abuse of land and air and water and of the marginalisation of the more-than-human communities who live on the land, breathe the air and depend on that water.

Judith Emanuel: LET'S TALK CLEAN AIR WHALLEY RANGE

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Watch their 3 minute film to find out about current activities - https://youtube.com/shorts/7-YADS1Zu6s?si=x TPTGZVBAJ9qPdX

Organisations based in Whalley Range can join the hub of over 30 local organisations in order to contribute to our activities and campaigns. Communication is via a WhatsApp group, email list and meetings - so email details if you would like your group to be added. Let's Talk Clean Air welcomes interest in joining its steering group and/or planning group for Clean Air Day 2026

Sajida Ismail, Ingrid Hanson, Ghada Soliman: MOVEMENT, MIGRATION AND MANCHESTER grassroutesmovement@gmail.com

Movement, Migration and Manchester ran between December 2024 and June 2025 and was a collaboration between University of Manchester students, academic staff, people from the community who have experiences of migration to the city, Grass Routes Movement CIC, Manchester Museum and Castlefield Gallery. Through a series of six urban walks (one silent) and six creative workshops, participants moved and made together - sharing experiences of free movement, reflecting on restrictions to the right to roam on domestic, bordered land and co-producing the project exhibition which captured poetry, nature journals, embroidery, free movement zines, photography and voice.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES HULME

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A group of local residents in the Hulme ward working to support improvements in sustainability, safety and wellbeing in shared spaces, for example by changing roads, organising community clean-ups, and building green spaces.

Liz Godfrey: MUMS FOR LUNGS

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In Greater Manchester, levels of NO2 are now 1.3 times the current UK legal limit, and over 5 times the World Health Organisation limit.

Mums for Lungs is an organisation of people across the UK campaigning for cleaner air to safeguard the health of children. The Mums for Lungs Greater Manchester group aims to raise awareness of the health impacts of air pollution, help people to reduce their exposure and contribution to air pollution, and bring about positive change. Mums for Lungs would love more volunteers and offers a positive inclusive group that has plenty of opportunities for everyone no matter what your time constraints are.

JANE MORRIS - local resident and environmental activist

Jane leads bee walks in Birchfields Park and nature walks for Friends of Platt Fields. Jane is involved in Birchfields Park Forest Garden, which has a regular volunteer session on the 3rd Sunday afternoon of each month, 1 to 3pm Find volunteer opportunities at your local community garden via https://www.goodtogrowuk.org/

Catherine Waddington: NORTHERN ROOTS

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Northern Roots is a new Urban Farm and Eco Park across 160-acres of green space in the heart of Oldham. Due to open in summer 2026, Northern Roots is using regenerative land management techniques to transform uncared for space into a unique community hub and visitor destination that is 'of' the local community and for everyone; creating opportunities for people to connect around food, growing, nature, learning, creativity, sport, work and play.

See https://northern-roots.uk/opportunities/ for opportunities to get involved, follow them on Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, or sign up to their Newsletter.

Nicola Scott: PATHWAYS TO LAND

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Pathways to Land works with Landmatch England's scheme in NW England to help landseekers from under-represented backgrounds (e.g. BPOC, or from low income families) to access land to grow sustainable food. Pathways to Land can also provide marginalised growers with training about collectively stewarding land.

SCOTT PEDLEY

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Scott Pedley is a senior lecturer in ecology specialising in peatland and saltmarsh restoration; part of his research is at Dovestone, near Oldham. His focus is on understanding how patterns of community assembly and physiological traits can be used to aid landscape-scale restoration and species conservation. Scott's research interests reach across multiple taxa (invertebrates, plants, mammals, and birds) but he has a particular interest in spiders. Through large-scale field experiments he has demonstrated how to add ecological value to forestry and peatland landscapes.







Miriam Biran and Sarah Branson: RSPB DOVESTONE

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Miriam and Sarah are both trained Forest Therapy Guides. Miriam is Lead Project Officer for the delivery of the Ella's Kitchen/RSPB project Little Creators for Pollinators - a new community initiative designed to inspire the next generation to protect birds, bees, and bugs through practical and creative activities.

Sarah works with Miriam on Little Creators for Pollinators and is also a Forest School leader, Forest Therapy Guide, outdoor well-being provider, organiser of the Arts in the Landscape element of Holmfirth Arts Festival and involved in providing a creative element to other projects such as the Pennine Way Project.

Miriam can run onsite and outreach sessions on pollination, particularly Little Pollinators sessions for families and children.



Dan Graham: VEGAN ORGANIC NETWORK https://veganorganic.net/

Vegan Organic Network is an environmental charity promoting the growing of organic food free from any animal inputs. VON puts on public events, delivers talks and educational workshops, connects people via Vegan Organic World Map, supports growers and publishes a magazine.

Charlie Baker, Phoenix Barnett: YOUR HOME BETTER https://yourhomebetter.co.uk/

Your Home Better is an award winning, not-for-profit Community Interest Company (CIC) providing a retrofitting one stop shop. Your Home Better has a network of trusted contractors to improve your home - as hassle free as possible.



Remember Nature '25 took place on 4 November 2025.

National Project Website

Castlefield Gallery Remember Nature page

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