

Proposed Garden at East End Campus

The Brief

Glasgow Kelvin College wants to design and build a College community garden at the East End Campus. The aims of the Garden are to provide an inspiring space that can help to deliver exciting, interactive outdoor learning experiences for learners; and help to improve the College's awareness of and relationship with the surrounding natural environment.

The proposed development is in line with the College's continued working towards creating a healthy and diverse natural environment, as outlined in its Climate Change Action Plan, and its integrated approach to delivering services that support learner health and wellbeing, as well as progress in learning.

It is intended that the Garden will benefit students by providing enhanced learning and development opportunities i.e. woodwork and brickwork projects for our construction students and further STEM related subjects; a herb garden and fresh produce for our catering students; and a welcome area to relax and enjoy the wonders of nature.

Environmental sustainability is a key aspect of the proposed Garden design. As outlined by the UK Government's Climate Change Risk Assessment report (2017), and evidence reported in the 2020 Challenge for Scotland's Biodiversity shows, more action is needed to protect and promote Scotland's natural habitats and biodiversity as a result of the risks posed by future climate change. Accounting for these predicted effects has been a driving factor in the design strategy, which ultimately aims to form a positive and engaging relationship between nature and the community.



Proposed site

Figure 1A highlights the area being considered for the design proposal. At present, this is a disused section of land at the rear of the College, adjacent to Carntyne Road. Further images of the current condition of the proposed site are shown in **Figures 1B** and **1C**.



Figure 1A



Figure 1B



Figure 1C

Design Proposals

Currently, there are a number of proposals being considered for the final design. Some of these ideas are shown in the images below, and include: a housed area for vegetable and fruit growing (**Figure 2A**); a sensory garden and free planting area (**Figure 2B**); and a grass and wildflower meadowland (**Figure 2C**).



Figure 2A



Figure 2B



Figure 2C

Contact Us

We are keen to engage with the student and staff community in order to hear about any questions or ideas you may have about the proposed development.

Our Environmental and Sustainability Officer is Anastasios Markopoulos who can be contacted as follows:

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Many thanks, and we look forward to hearing from you.