

**Little Woodhouse
Neighbourhood Plan**
2025-2033

Appendix D:
Green Corridors

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A Local Green Corridor Links

Provision of trees, natural habitats, cycle paths, parks and walkable green spaces helps promote physical and mental wellbeing, improves air quality and reduces perceived noise levels in urban areas

– Director of Public Health Annual Report 2014-15

Policy Context:

Leeds Core Strategy includes policies on Green Infrastructure, Green Corridors and Green Spaces. It defines these as follows:

- **Green Infrastructure:** An integrated and connected network of green spaces, which have more than one use and function. GI is both urban and rural and includes protected sites, woodlands, nature reserves, river corridors, public parks and amenity areas, and sport facilities, together with green corridors.
- **Green Corridors:** Green spaces, which can link housing areas to the national cycle network, town and City Centres, places of employment, and community facilities. They help to promote environmentally sustainable forms of transport such as walking and cycling within urban areas and can also act as vital linkages for wildlife dispersal. They often act as major breaks around and between parts of settlements.
- **Green Spaces:** A collective term to describe areas of open space and vegetation, whether public or private, used for formal or informal recreation. Examples include recreation grounds, parks, linear spaces alongside canal towpaths, grass playing pitches, bowling greens, tennis courts, pedestrian areas in the City Centre, small play spaces within housing areas, or woodland.
- In **Map 16 "Strategic Green Infrastructure" of the Core Strategy**, the river valley up to Kirkstall Road, is defined as Strategic Green Infrastructure, while an area roughly parallel to the Inner Ring Road in the east of Little Woodhouse is defined as a Strategic Green Infrastructure opportunity.

The Neighbourhood Plan provides the opportunity to define Local Green Corridors which extend the strategic green infrastructure locally, and to designate Local Green Spaces which are of particular importance to the community."

Green corridors in cities can be defined as linear natural infrastructure, such as trees and plants, that link up other green and open spaces to form a green urban network. These networks provide both ecological services, such as habitats and resources for urban wildlife; whilst also providing services to urban populations such as mobility networks and access to green spaces through the provision of sustainable and active transport routes that link transport with mixed land use (residential, commercial, education, recreation etc) and open spaces. <http://naturalwalkingcities.com/green-corridors-essential-urban-walking-and-natural-infrastructure/>

Green spaces in Little Woodhouse

The **green corridors of Little Woodhouse** form a network that reflects the history of development in the area: the streets have grown out of medieval pathways through fields, succeeded by nineteenth century estates of local merchants, terraced housing developments, and most recently student accommodation blocks.

- The network is marked primarily by its trees, which are mainly in the gardens of the larger Victorian Terraces rather than street trees. Viewed in the summer, these form a notable green canopy over most of the area and contribute significantly to its character. However, many of these trees are likely to be as old as the houses themselves, or else are mature shorter-lived trees such as sycamores. The gardens they are set in consist commonly of small lawns and hedges, often privet, with scattered examples of shrubs. There are occasional well cared for and diversely planted gardens but many would benefit from more planting and better maintenance. A few garden spaces have been overlaid by paving or tarmac, usually for offstreet parking. The opportunities for improvement will need the partnership of developers, landlords and tenants to preserve and enhance the planting and biodiversity of these corridors.
- Grass verges are the predominant feature of the green spaces in the more modern estates, where small back gardens are often fenced and do not contribute to public space. Again, the encouragement of more diverse planting will need to involve housing organisations, owners and tenants.
- Along the major traffic routes of Burley St/Burley Road and Kirkstall strips of greenery with some existing trees offer mitigation to traffic noise and pollution. At certain junctions, small spaces left after development offer opportunities for wild planting. The partnerships to improve these routes could involve developers, commercial businesses and planners, and would contribute to improved approaches to the proposed Innovation Arc in the city centre.
- Taken as a whole the area has a good framework for greenery but there are some routes where there is little or no greenery at present, such as the north-south pedestrian and vehicle routes. These would benefit from attention to maintenance and additional planting to encourage more pedestrian and cycle journeys.

It is appropriate that the heritage of trees and other greenery in private gardens and street verges is encouraged and improved to provide not only for the mitigation of air pollution and climate change but also to promote opportunities for community interaction and individual activity for health and wellbeing. New developments should also aim to include and enhance greenery in amenity spaces and public realm.

Links to the City Centre – Woodhouse Square - Little Woodhouse Bridge – Great George Street

See also below, page 6

Woodhouse Square (LSG2/ G161) plays a critical role in linking the City Centre and proposed Innovation Arc with the network of green corridors in Little Woodhouse. It links with:

Clarendon Road leading uphill and then crossing with Little Woodhouse Street and Kendal Lane, possibly the oldest medieval track from the town of Leeds to the Moor

Chorley Lane leading uphill to Little Woodhouse Street and down past Josephs Well

Little Woodhouse Bridge across the inner ring road tunnel was on the line of the old Clarendon Road linked directly with Gt George Street;

Woodhouse Square south side is now paved though in disrepair, previously gardens

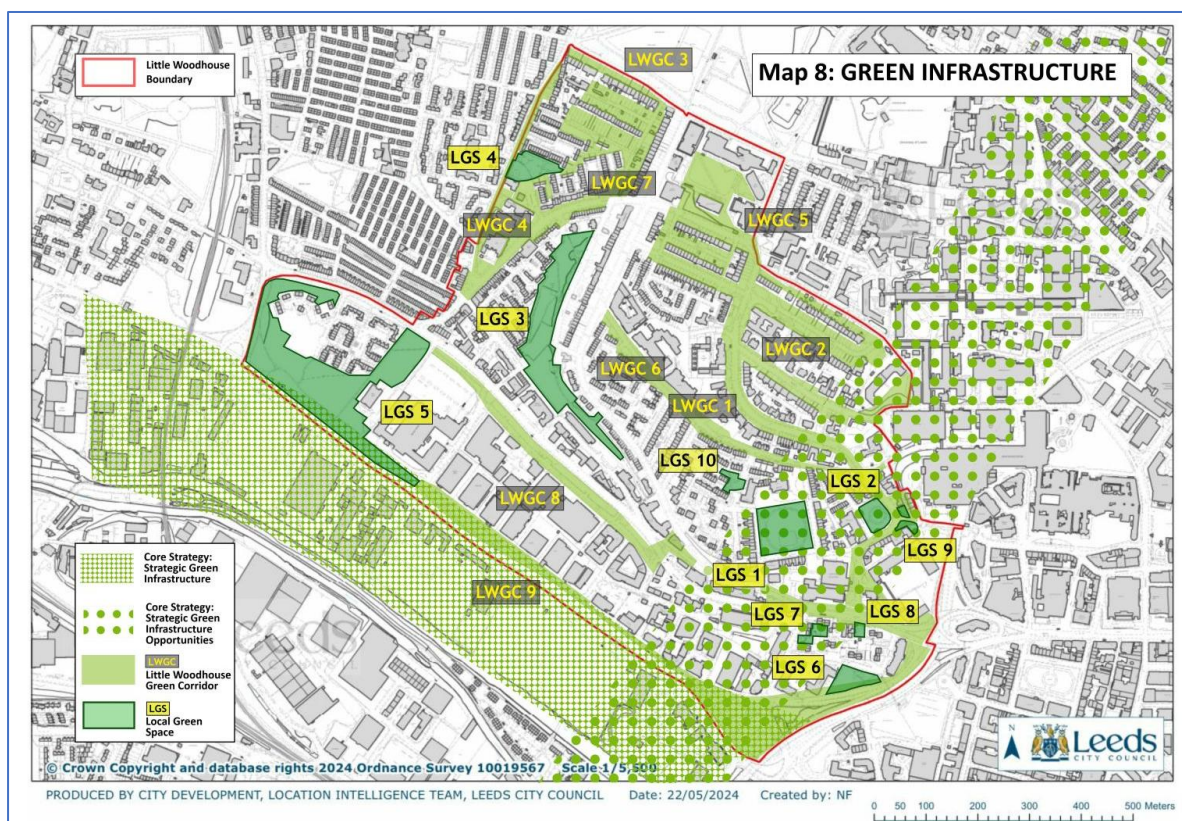
Hanover Way crosses the old line of Hanover Lane with setts still visible

Denison Road has terraced houses and a line of trees

Brandon Road an old occupation road is setted and has mature sycamore and wild planting

Woodhouse Square west side Sycamore House – green borders planted on back and side;

Claremont Avenue a setted street and **Back Claremont Grove** wild planting

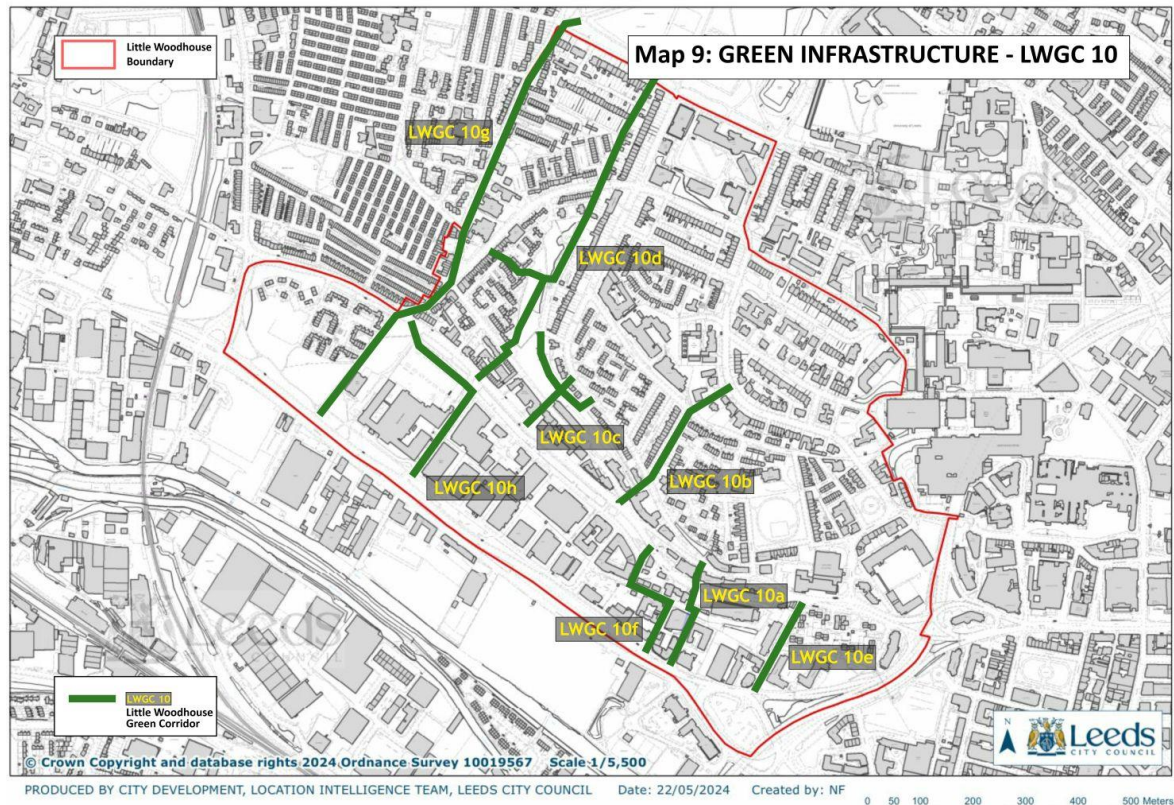


Green Infrastructure map [8](#) from Little Woodhouse Neighbourhood Plan Part 1: Policies

Key to Local Green Spaces and Green Corridors and Maps:

Local Green Corridors (LWGC) – For details see Tables B, C and D below

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Green Infrastructure map 9 from Little Woodhouse Neighbourhood Plan Part 1: Policies

Local Green Spaces (LGS) : for details see separate Appendix E

NP Ref	SAP ref	Address	Area (ha)
LGS1	G128	Hanover Square	0.9
LGS2	G161	Woodhouse Square	0.26
LGS3	G1820	The Rosebank Millennium Green	1.68
LGS4	G391	Hyde Park Rd / (Benson Court)	0.31
LGS5	G1075	The Willows / Kirkstall Rd Green Corridor	4.46
LGS6	G1900	Duncombe Street	0.3
LGS7	-	Marlborough Street	-
LGS8	-	Marlborough Towers	-
LGS9	-	Chorley Lane (2 areas)	-
LGS10	-	Kendal Grove	-

Maps :Aecom: Drawing Package – July 2021 and General Design Guidance Nov 2021

Drawing 001 Overview; Drawing 007 Connectivity; Drawing 008 Street hierarchy; Drawing 011 Green infrastructure

; Drawing 012 Local Nodes (destinations)

B Green Corridors – Summary of survey and observations

The following green corridors were selected through a series of outdoor walkabout workshops: 3 held in June 2021, 2 in July 2022 and 1 in November 2022. The walks used a pro-forma record: the criteria for description are below.

Criteria for description: exploring Little Woodhouse green corridors

- Connections with green spaces; street hierarchy
- History and character
- Access
 - Topography
 - Traffic
 - Walkability, Cyclability eg, pedestrian crossings, parking, bin obstructions
 - Bus routes
- Greenery
 - Trees
 - Gardens
 - Paved areas including car parking
 - Shrubs and hedges
 - Biodiversity (***) needs further advice on species)
- Opportunities
 - Future developments
 - Maintenance
 - Ideas for projects

The walkabout surveys benefitted from the routes explored and documented in information booklets prepared by Freda Matthews: in particular, *Exploring Green Spaces in Little Woodhouse, Burley and Hyde Park (2004)* and *Little Woodhouse Ways, a Heritage Day walk, 2020*. These illustrated walks describe the development of Little Woodhouse which is reflected in the layout of the streets, from fields in medieval estates, to merchant mansions and grounds, to Victorian property development, twentieth century housing and currently student accommodation.

The results of the walkabouts are set out in the following tables:

Table B Summary of Observations of Green Corridors

Summarises each corridor identified through the walkabouts and describes the links to green spaces and other destinations, identifies access issues, the state of greenery and opportunities for improvements. Importance of Woodhouse Square link with Gt George St and city centre.

Table C Green corridors – Key issues summary – ideas for projects

Organises the observations into themes: Obstructions, Pavements, Traffic problems, Bus access, Placemaking, Pocket Parks, Play spaces, Trees, Maintenance and Biodiversity. For each theme there are suggestions for projects and potential partners.

Table D Observations – Little Woodhouse Green Corridors (LWGC)

Records the results of the walkabout surveys, set out under each green corridor.

Table B Summary of Observations of Green Corridors

This table summarises each corridor identified through the walkabouts and describes the links to green spaces and other destinations, identifies access issues, the state of greenery and opportunities for improvements. In addition, it comments on the importance of Woodhouse Square in forming a pedestrian and cycling link with the city centre and opportunities to develop the whole setting of the Square and Bridge as a major entrance to Little Woodhouse.

Links to the City Centre – Woodhouse Square - Little Woodhouse Bridge – Great George Street

Woodhouse Square (LSG2/ G161) plays an important role in linking the City Centre and proposed Innovation Arc with the network of green corridors in Little Woodhouse. The settings and small green spaces around the Square should be considered as an integral part bridging the gap into the green corridors.

- **From the north side of the Square**
- **Clarendon Road (LWGC1)** leading uphill and then crossing with Little Woodhouse Street and Kendal Lane, (**LWGC6**, the oldest medieval track from the town of Leeds to the Moor) and linking through Hyde Street to Hyde Terrace and Springfield Mount (**LWGC2**)
- **From the south side of the Square**
- **Chorley Lane (LGS9)** pocket park and an occupation road leading uphill to Little Woodhouse Street and down past the mills which preceded Josephs Well
- **Little Woodhouse Bridge** is a pedestrian and cyclist bridge which runs across the inner ring road tunnel on the line of the old Clarendon Road which previously linked directly with Gt George Street; a mature chestnut is situated on the gable end of 2 Woodhouse Square. There is an opportunity for additional planting around the tree and potential for trellis planting to discourage the graffiti which disfigure the gable end.
- **Woodhouse Square south side** previously had gardens outside the row of early nineteenth century terraces which make up Swarthmore Education Centre. It is now paved but in disrepair and some planting or planters could be considered in a future repair scheme.
- **From the west side of the Square**
- **Hanover Way leads to Park Lane/Burley Rd (LWGC8)** crosses the old line of Hanover Lane where setts are still visible. A mature chestnut tree on a small green island matches the one at the other corner of the Square.
- **Denison Road** terraced houses on one side and trees along the other. Retention or replacement of these is suggested in the Design Code for Park Lane site. Leads to **Hanover Square (LGS1)**
- **Brandon Road** is an unadopted setted occupation road and has a border of wild planting with a mature Sycamore tree
- **Back Claremont Grove and Sycamore House west side** – a back alley joins with Brandon Road has more wild planting and some garden plants in the backyards of Claremont Grove, including a witchhazel and self seeded oak, with many buddleia. These together with border planting around Sycamore House serve to screen the student accommodation block.
- **Claremont Avenue** – a setted road leading to the Claremont Streets and Kendal Lane (**LWGC6**)

Table B Summary of Observations of Green Corridors

Street names	Links to Local Green Spaces (LGS) and local destinations <i>Street hierarchy</i>	Access notes	Greenery – key points	Problems and Opportunities (*pocket park)
LWGC1 Clarendon Road	Little Woodhouse Bridge – Chorley Lane - Woodhouse Square – - Clarendon Road - University Western campus – Woodhouse Moor - Moorland Rd to Hyde Park area <i>Arterial movement</i>	Steep and bends Moderate traffic Pavement narrow - bins & access issues	Chorley Lane & Bridge area landscaping has improved but lacks coherence Mature trees Limited variety of planting in lawns & hedges Retain open access space on western campus (former playing field)	Placemaking - *pocket parks on LW Bridge and LW St entrances Speed calming Replace bins in bin spaces Tree replacement plan needed Garden m'ce to Increase biodiversity *LW Bridge & *Hanover Way have matching chestnut trees
LWGC2 Hyde Terrace/ Springfield Mount	Woodhouse Square – - Hyde Terrace – Springfield Mt – Mt Preston St - Woodhouse Moor – to University western campus <i>Local residential</i>	Sloping Settled roads Low traffic – no through traffic Parking Problem of link to Uni via private land Access to University unclear	Mature greenery in gardens sets character Springfield Mt – mature trees More variety of planting would enhance	Garden m'ce Increase Biodiversity Reduce street parking Signage to University
LWGC3 Moorland Rd and Avenue/ & St Johns Grove / Rosebank Road	Woodhouse Moor – Rosebank Millennium Green – Woodsley Rd Local Centre Woodhouse Moor – Green space of Western Campus – Clarendon Rd <i>Arterial/residential</i>	Bus route 56 Level on Moorland Rd, sloping down to Woodsley Rd High traffic on Moorland Rd Pavement is too narrow for high pedestrian use Steps through Rosebank Green to Woodsley Rd shops	Mature trees and gardens Limited greenery in Moorland Ave Views from St Johns Grove Loss of back gardens – paved for parking on Moorland Ave	Traffic sightlines on Moorland Rd corner with St J Terr/BVRd Garden m'ce Increase Biodiversity Opp for road closure: * pocket park on Rosebank Rd in the middle to link ginnel and steps to Woodsley Rd centre

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LWGC4 Woodsley Road / Hyde Park Road	Woodsley Rd – Gryphon University Sports centre - Local centre shops etc – Health centre – Leeds Grand Mosque - Hyde Park Rd/Benson Court – Woodhouse Moor <i>(lower) Arterial movement (all) Residential</i>	Steep Reduced traffic since blocking at corner with Belle Vue Rd. No buses eg to Health Centre Shopping area pavements are poor	Upper Wdsley Rd– neglected gardens Paved areas have replaced some gardens Benson Court green space is important for St Johns Close / Woodsley Green and Hyde Park estates	Lack of bus access between Moorland Rd and Burley Rd *Planting on roadblock area *corner Woodsley Rd/Belle Vue Rd Improve shop centre pavements (widen, more seats, planting)
LWGC5 Kelso Road/ Kelso Gardens	Clarendon Road – Kelso Rd - Rosebank Millennium Green <i>Local residential</i>	Sloping roads Setted back streets Bins on pathways Parking issue	Views from Kelso Rd over valley Private gardens – trees hedges Some neglected / replaced with paved areas and walls demolished esp Kelso Gdns	Garden m'ce Biodiversity Bins on streets Neglected/redundant ginnels in Kelso Gardens – opp for planting two *pocket park(s)
LWGC6 Little Woodhouse St - Kendal Lane/St Johns Rd	Chorley Lane - Woodhouse Square – Claremont Streets - Hanover Square – Kendal Grove - Rosebank Millennium Green <i>Arterial movement</i>	Gentle slope Low traffic Access narrow at east end of Kendal Lane Bins block paths Parking problem on LW St corner LW St site of old hamlet – now owned by NH Trust estate, service road for LGI	H Sq Terraces – some well tended gardens Estates – grass verges are tended but dull Claremont terraces retain setted streets, small back yards and some narrow front gardens – some planted	Remove parking and paving to develop *pocket park on LW St corner with Clarendon Rd Restore pavement outside Swarthmore More Biodiversity on yards & verges *pocket park Kendal Grove Improve signage to hospital & univ & Celebrate heritage LW St /Kendal Lane

Street names	Links to Local Green Spaces (LGS) and local destinations <i>Street hierarchy</i>	Access notes	Greenery	Problems and Opportunities <i>*pocket parks</i>
LWGC7 Belle Vue Road/St Johns Terrace and Rosebank Road	Park Lane/Burley St corner - Hanover Square – Oak House Bank - Rosebank Millennium Green – Woodhouse Moor <i>Arterial movement</i>	Gentle sloping along ridge, steep at north end down St J Terr Low traffic but some speeding Victorian Steps – pedestrian north-south movement Victorian ginnels	Views across valley Mature trees Access to Rosebank MGrn Private gardens Estates have green verges Oak House bank – restored and maintained by Unipol	<i>*pocket parks on two corners Park Lane/ Burley St</i> Biodiversity on verges and lawns Bins on StJ Terr. Tree replacement in older terraces BV Rd Traffic calming BV Rd Better signage to Rosebank Green
LWGC8 Burley Road (south side)	Park Lane Marlboroughs – Willows <i>Strategic route</i>	Bus routes to west 49 50 & Hdgle 19 Level but narrow in parts High traffic Car parks Poor Signage to School – warning to vehicles – no 20mph zone Rosebank School has bus stops and crossing over Burley Rd – but pavements are narrow	Damage to green verges outside Marlboroughs and in front of Marsden House by parking Shrubs screen road & carparks Willows LGS5 gives protection from air pollution and traffic noise Willows green – lacks diversity but important to Willows estate	Expand planting on verges – recognise importance of greenery on south side of Burley Rd - <i>*pocket park</i> Promote more use of service road for walkers & cyclists 20mph zone for school Develop Willows green open space– explore possible use by school
LWGC9 Kirkstall Road (north side)	Duncombe Street green space - Marlboroughs – Willows green Employment and entertainment nodes <i>Strategic route</i>	Bus routes Level Very high traffic Lack of pedestrian crossings, esp for new developments on south side	Duncombe St air pollution buffer Boulevard strip K Rd has few trees And car parking in places Willows greens & trees – important soak area	Restore and replant <i>K Rd boulevard* as a *pocket park</i> Marlboros – m’ce of green spaces Crossings over K Rd Biodiversity around Willow

Street names	Links to Local Green Spaces (LGS) and local destinations <i>Street hierarchy</i>	Access notes	Greenery – key points	Problems and Opportunities *pocket park
LWGC10 North/ South routes via Victorian Steps NB pedestrian only	a. Kirkstall Rd – Bingley St – Rutland St – ‘Victorian’ steps – Burley Rd – Rutland Mount – Park Lane – Belle Vue Rd <i>PBSAs Tannery, Foundry The Highland pub Sentinel Towers PBSA Coop Store PBSAs - Oak House, Trapezium</i>	Pedestrian route from PBSAs on Kirkstall Rd via Victorian steps to Burley Road Pedestrians only – steep steps and uphill Road crossing Burley St to Coop	Bingley St is a canyon with high rise blocks no space, no views, no greenery Rough green space next to steps has some trees Rutland Mount has new green bed	Shared surface for streets – Bingley, Abbey and Cavendish to allow vehicles only for access Improve green space next door Abbey Road with planters *pocket park next to ‘Victorian steps’ replace with wider and improved steps
LWGC10 b pedestrian	b. Burley St – Westfield Rd – ‘Victorian’ 99 steps – Belle Vue Rd – Victoria Terrace - Victoria Rd – Clarendon Rd <i>PBSAs Concept House, Trapezium, Iconic the Edge, Roomzz Takeaways</i>	Well used route for pedestrians heading for universities Pedestrian only steep steps up to join Belle Vue Rd and uphill via Victoria Terrace	Greenery on sides of 99 steps Gardens in Victoria Terrace Airedale Mount – garden paved over for car park	Maintenance of plants alongside the steps Add more plant variety Enforce 20mph on Kendal Lane
LWGC10 c pedestrian	c. Burley Rd – Rosebank Primary School - Westfield Rd – ‘Victorian’ ‘School steps’ and Rosebank M Green paths – Belle Vue Road	Pedestrian steps uphill between Burley Road and Belle Vue Rd – well used route to school	Steps form boundary of Rosebank Millennium Green Upper steps retain Victorian materials Leeds Fed HA has tended the lower green border	School uses the Rosebank and helps activities
LWGC10 d pedestrian	d. Burley Rd – Westfield Crescent Rosebank M Green paths and Woodsley Rd - Rillbank Lane – Millennium Way steps – Rosebank Rd – Woodhouse Moo	Millennium Way is on site of Victorian Steps Steep steps uphill Several paths of varying steepness	Through trees and plants Orchard planting Exercise opps	Rosebank MGT volunteers maintain Rosebank - needs funding to support Tree planting to increase biodiversity for wildlife

Street names	Links to Local Green Spaces (LGS) and local destinations <i>Street hierarchy</i>	Access notes	Greenery – key points	Problems and Opportunities (*pocket park)
Vehicle routes – north south LWGC10 e Vehicle/pedestrian	e. Kirkstall Rd – Marlborough St - Burley St – Park Lane (V) <i>Hotel and PBSAs</i> <i>Fox & Newt pub</i> <i>Bus stops west - east</i>	Steep hill Narrow pavements Cycle route from Kirkstall Rd Top junction is dangerous	Shrubs and verges on lower right side, small gardens of Marlboroughs	Review junction of Burley St/Park Lane/ Marlborough St Any development on left side Marlboro St should be set back and include greenery
LWGC10 f Vehicle/pedestrian	f. Kirkstall Rd – Bingley St – Cavendish St – St Andrews Hill – Burley Rd	Narrow streets and pavements overlooked by tall blocks	Kirkstall Road – green verges on s side Otherwise none	Potential boulevard Shared surface and build out planters
LWGC10 g Vehicle/pedestrian	g. Kirkstall Rd – Willows LSG – Woodsley Rd - Hyde Park Rd – Woodhouse Moor – University of Leeds	Pedestrian green space between two high traffic routes	Grass banks and trees Buffer for air pollution and traffic noise	Wider range of plants Burley Rd side – improve park area
LWGC10 h Vehicle/pedestrian	h. Kirkstall Rd – Studio Rd – Burley Rd – Woodsley Rd – Woodhouse Moor	Well used route for traffic, the turn into Burley Rd can be problematic	Studio Rd car parks have none South side of Burley Rd has planting on verges	Small tree planting could line carparks without blocking sight lines

Table C Green corridors – Key issues summary – ideas for projects

Key issue	Proposed improvement aims	Areas affected (examples)	Project	Who else to involve
1.1 Obstructions	Identify obstructions to walkers, wheel users and take steps to improve access	Bins on Pavements Clarendon Road and Woodhouse Square (LWGC1) and St Johns Terrace (LWGC7) and Kelso Rd and Gdns (LWGC5) are examples Parking causing obstruction to pedestrians – eg Little Woodhouse St corner	Identify and discuss approach to owners and LCC Streets team	LWCF LCC Streets
1.2 Pavements	Identify areas for improvement of surfaces and sources of funding	Pavement outside Swarthmore College (LWGC1) Pavements outside shops on both sides of Woodsley Road Local Centre (LWGC4)	Would need a survey plan and costings Possible s106 or CIL	Highways Shops
1.3 Traffic problems	Identify problem areas and raise with Highways	Sightlines – Moorland Road especially traffic turning into Belle Vue Rd (LWGC3) Lack of pedestrian crossing places on Kirkstall Rd (LWGC9) – especially with new developments on S side	Raise issues with Highways Possible s106 or CIL	Highways Developers Dev Planners
1.4 Bus access	Improve access by bus transport especially for uphill routes	No bus routes on uphill routes between Burley Road and Moorland Road: Woodsley Rd/Hyde Park Rd (LWGC4) and Belle Vue Rd (LWGC7)	Raise issues with WYCA transport authority Funding hugely depends on central govt funding model	LWCF WYCA
2.1 Placemaking	Identify character areas and highlight green space uses	Encourage better signage of existing local green spaces, especially Rosebank	Explore funding sources eg for Information Boards	Cllrs Conservation team

Innovation Arc	NB Innovation Arc entrances to Univ & LGI	(LWGC 3) Chorley Lane/Bridge (LWGC1) And potential “pocket park” spaces (see below) Entrances to Univ & LGI	Promote opps with Innovation Arc	Parks & Countryside Univs LGI
2.2 Pocket parks	Identify potential sites for very small green spaces and develop an action plan	Middle of Rosebank Rd – divide street to link ginnel with steps (LWGC3) Woodsley Rd blocked corner with Belle Vue Rd (LWGC4) Little Woodhouse St corner with Clarendon Rd (LWGC1 &4) Triangle next to electricity substation Corner Park Lane and Burley St (east end) Triangle “Burley Beach” corner of Park Lane/ Burley St (west end) (LWGC7) Little Woodhouse Bridge and Hanover Way each has a chestnut tree and island Two Kelso Gardens Ginnels running between houses and along back lane	Initially this needs working group to make a project plan with costings and sources of help Innovation Arc Innovation Arc	Parks & Countryside Hyde Park Source Owners - Health Trust & LGI Plan ? owned by Electrical substation? Ex LCC now sold - New owners? LCC Josephs Well Swarthmore Owners / occupiers
2.3 Play spaces	Improve usage of green/play spaces and identify other appropriate spaces	Little Woodhouse Local Green Spaces LWGS1 - 10	Needs a working group to develop community links	LCC Tenants Officer Parks & C
3.1 Trees	Identify ages of mature trees and need for replacements	Most areas of Victorian villas and terraces with gardens have mature trees, which need	Explore previous tree surveys and identify ways to	LCC Tree Officer for advice

		detailed surveying and mapping by tree expert	encourage safe replacement and new planting	
3.2 Maintenance	Identify sources of advice for owners to encourage low maintenance plants for gardens	Most areas of Victorian terraces and post war estates have some neglected gardens, especially where there are short stay tenants.	Develop a planting and maintenance guide for owners and tenants	Unipol Tree officer
3.3 Biodiversity	As above – to encourage a greater range of planting and garden use	A range of different garden sizes – from plant pots, backyards to large gardens.	Develop a suggestions guide for planting and maintenance for a range of different size plots, including herbs, annuals, shrubs, veggies, small trees etc	Univ of Leeds and LBU Incredible Edible etc

Table D Observations – Little Woodhouse Green Corridors (LWGC)

LWGC1 Clarendon Road		
Connections	See LGS2 Woodhouse Square LGS9 Chorley Lane Chorley Lane - Woodhouse Square – Woodhouse Moor – Moorland Rd via campus Woodhouse Square – the Bridge – Gt George Street and city centre Arterial Movement channel (Aecom Drawing package 007 Connectivity 008 Street Hierarchy)	A main road for access to University and Hospital **and Park, it provides a perimeter between university and residential areas and a through link for traffic from Woodhouse Lane to Burley Road
History	- Put through in 1840s as a speculative development road, diverting from Kendal Lane to Woodhouse Moor - Listed buildings C18 – Claremont, Little Woodhouse Hall, Springfield House - C19 Victorian villas – first was Woodsley, now Fairbairn House 1840, and 22-24, 40 67 etc. Terraces 12- 16 and 1-7 are examples	Examples of grand villas built piecemeal throughout the C19 set the character of the Little Woodhouse area
Access	- Slopes uphill with bends obscuring sightlines - Considerable 2way traffic - Pedestrian crossings only at bottom (Woodhouse Square) and top (Mount Preston Street) - Pedestrian bridge to Gt George Street has steep approach on city centre side - Walkable for able bodied, difficult for wheels on narrow pavements, cyclable for fit - Bins on pavements - Bus stop at bottom – No 5 circular one way to Little Woodhouse Street then city centre - Buses at top No 56 Moorland Road to Headingley – Woodhouse Lane to city	Gradient and bends make it difficult to cross for pedestrians Pavements are too narrow in places - Bins permanently on pavements obstruct access Speed calming measures are required Pedestrian Bridge access to Gt George St – recently improved by street art
Greenery	70+ trees (below Kelso Rd) - Sizeable gardens in front of large Victorian houses - Hanover Square - Back gardens and back terraces - Many with mature bushes and variety of mature trees give shade and improve outlook - Some paved as carparks or covered with chippings	Tree cover is a great asset to the character of the street Maintenance of some gardens is neglected Encourage more variety of lawn and hedge plants – planting guide
Opportunities	- Garden maintenance and vary planting - Tree survey – age of trees?	Landlord information project Pocket parks – LW Bridge and LW Street

**** NB The proposed Innovation Arc identifies as significant two entrance points to the University & LGI – entrances to LW Street and the pedestrian LW Bridge leading to Gt George St.**

LWGC2 Hyde Terrace – Springfield Mount		
Connections	Woodhouse Square – Clarendon Road - Woodhouse Moor Faversham Garden – Chancellors Court Local residential	Quiet streets linking the University campus with Clarendon Road and the residential area beyond
History	• Purchased in 1836 by Newman Cash who developed Springfield Mount into mixture of terraces and villas • Springfield Mount - No 19 built 1839 is listed; No.s 21-23 developed in 1908 as St Wilfrids Priory by Temple Moore, now student flats • Hyde Terrace – listed are No.s 30-32, 34, 36, 38, 40 • Woodsley Terrace – listed No.s 34-38 Springfield Mount (1836)	Hyde Terrace ran down to Little Woodhouse hamlet (site of present Clarendon wing) Buildings of interest – No.s 2-32, 7-17, 46, 48 Springfield Mount The Faversham, 1 Springfield Mount The Lodge, Springfield Mount
Access	• Gentle slope, no through traffic though parking on both sides • Car entry from University end only • Pedestrian only access at top by Woodsley Terrace • Setted road surface on Springfield Mount; pavements stone, some replaced by tarmac	Traffic restricted by entry keeps Springfield Mount quiet, less so in Hyde Terrace <i>NB The proposed Innovation Arc identifies as significant the entrance point to the University (corner of Chancellors Court) at the bottom of Mt Preston St.</i>
Greenery	• 50+ trees (Hyde Terrace) 60 (SprMt) • Generous front gardens with mature trees and hedges, lawns, some paving	Quiet and pleasant area, gardens enjoyed by residents
Opportunities	Hyde Terrace has seen considerable development recently – some greenery has been restored	• Maintenance of gardens • Restoring surfaces and greenery • More variety of planting

LWGC3 Moorland Road and Moorland Ave / St Johns Grove		
Connections	Woodhouse Moor – Rosebank Millennium Green – Benson Court Woodhouse Moor – Western campus – Clarendon Rd/Woodsley Rd Moorland Road – Arterial movement Moorland Avenue/ St Johns Grove – Local Residential	Moorland Road runs along the edge of Woodhouse Moor and is a very well used pedestrian route from Hyde Park area to University Road Bus route 56 runs from Clarendon Road to Hyde Park Road into Hyde Park
History	Facing onto Woodhouse Moor (acquired by Leeds Corporation as a public open space in 1855) Leeds Grammar School was built in 1857, Moorland Road developed by Eastwoods in 1860s onwards with large villas and front gardens and outbuildings at the back. Almost all are now in multiple occupation. St Johns Grove facing over the valley and St Johns Terrace (top of Belle Vue Road) also developed by Eastwoods. The western end of Moorland Avenue has been in part commercial use with small garages and now has an incongruous student accommodation block on the site of former tennis court.	Buildings of interest – 18 Moorland Road especially outbuildings at the rear – old stables The former Grammar School and Chapel are listed and now form part of the Western Campus of the University of Leeds housing the Business and Legal Schools. Modern buildings of note surround the central green area (former school playing grounds).
Access	• Level along the side of Woodhouse Moor from uphill Hyde Park Rd, St Johns Terrace • Moderately heavy traffic • No pedestrian crossings at HP Rd and StJT • Bus route 56 runs along Moorland Road	High pedestrian use at times, plus pathway for pedestrians is only on the south side: parking can obscure sightlines: there is a need for pedestrian crossings across Hyde Park Road and St Johns Terrace and / or speed restriction measures along Moorland Road
Greenery	• Mature gardens but lack of diverse planting • Approx 78 Trees – 40 in front Moorland Road and 12 in back Moorland Rd 14 Moorland Ave 12 St Johns Grove • Western Campus – 40+ small trees newly planted along Moorland Rd and around central green area	Lack of variety of planting in gardens- mainly bare lawns and mature trees Front character walls need attention and protection
Opportunities		Protection of walls Low maintenance planting in gardens to increase diversity

LWGC4 Woodsley Road		
Connections	LGS4 Benson Court/ Hyde Park Rd Woodsley Road links from Clarendon Rd, crossing Belle Vue Rd, to Hyde Park Road and Burley Road at the bottom of the hill, near the line of the boundary between the former parishes of Leeds and Burley cum Headingley. Lower half – Arterial movement Upper half – Local residential	Upper Woodsley Road is now separated from the lower half by a road block to cars preventing through traffic (passable by cyclists and pedestrians).
History	Sir Peter Fairbairn bought St Johns Trust lands to build the proposed Woodsley and Belle Vue Roads which were built up piecemeal from 1860s onwards to 1900. Houses on Upper Woodsley Road share Back Kelso Road as a back street with Kelso Road. On lower Woodsley Road the Rillbanks and St Johns estates were built in the 1970s replacing small Victorian terraced streets The parade of shops forming the Local Centre are Victorian with much altered shopfronts. The old Boundary stone of the parish of Leeds was sited at the corner of Boundary Terrace, now xx Burley Road.	Grand Mosque (formerly Sacred Heart RC Church) was built in 1960s. Hyde Park Surgery /Woodsley Health Centre and the Methodist Church and Community Shop are in a similar style. Gothic style former bank at the junction of Hyde Park Rd and Woodsley Rd is a notable building.
Access	• Steep • Reduced traffic since blocking at corner with Belle Vue Rd. • Shopping area pavements are poor • Single pedestrian crossing with lights • No buses to serve local centre and the health centre etc which is uphill from Burley Road routes	The NDS (2011) plan for improvement – shorter wider pedestrian crossing, shared surface on west side, improved paving, removal of shutters and barriers. In addition NP proposes improvement in the shopfronts
Greenery	• Upper north side – boundary wall of western campus with trees and bushes gives green aspect • Upper south side – few trees, many hedges also character walls and gateposts • Some neglected gardens and paved areas have replaced some gardens	Planting on roadblock area *corner WRd/BV Rd More planting in shopping area

LWGC5 Kelso Road/ Kelso Gardens		
Connections	Local residential Kelso Road links Clarendon Road and Belle Vue Road with cross streets to upper Woodsley Rd and Kelso Gardens	The views from the top of Kelso Road are significant – look westward to opposite side of valley
History	The Kelso streets were built on Fairbairn estate (Sir Peter Fairbairn was the first Lord Mayor of Leeds 1858 and died in 1861). Kelso Road is first mentioned in directories in 1881 and appears completed by 1900. It shares a back street Back Kelso Road with Upper Woodsley Road. Kelso Place is a back street to houses on Belle Vue Road. Kelso Gardens (including frontage on Belle Vue Road) appears blank on OS maps until 1933 when allotment gardens are marked. Development is shown in 1938 and all houses built and occupied by 1939. Footpaths from Kelso gardens linked to St Michaels College on St Johns Road on one side and to Clarendon Road on the other (now closed).	Kelso Rd is good example of large Victorian terraces. At gardens with trees hedges and front low walls with brick and stone coping give character to street. Example of 1930s housing built for families with small front and back gardens
Access	• Sloping straight road Kelso Rd • Sloping cul de sac – Kelso Gardens • Setted back streets • Stone flags replaced with tarmac • Bins are an obstruction on pathways	Bins on streets
Greenery	• Large front and back gardens to large terraced houses – Kelso Rd • Many trees and hedges – Kelso Rd • Small front and back gardens – Kelso Gardens – many neglected, loss of front walls • Green ginnels (now blocked) from K Gdns link to green space between St Michaels and Fairbairn House •	More variety of planting especially for lawns and hedges (low maintenance plant guidance) Possible *pocket parks – ginnels between 50 – 52 and 34 -36 Kelso Gardens(large open space at back)

LWGC6 Kendal Lane/St Johns Rd		
Connections	See also LGS1 Hanover Square LGS10 Kendal Grove LGS3 Rosebank Millenn. Green Woodhouse Square – Hanover Square – Rosebank Millennium Green Arterial movement Links through Victoria and Consort Terraces are part of well-used route from student blocks to university	A direct route for pedestrians linking Woodsley Road shopping area via Rosebank steps to the Bridge and city centre. It links three major green spaces in Little Woodhouse
History	Kendal Lane was originally a medieval track from the hamlet of Little Woodhouse to the common land of Woodhouse Moor. After 1858 Sir Peter Fairbairn diverted its route to protect his grounds from overlooking and in 1866 the Eastwood brothers created a continuation in St Johns Road, linking with Belle Vue Road.	Rosebank Millennium Green was created in 2000 as a millennium green maintained by volunteers Rosebank steps – one of three Victorian steps linking the top of the ridge with the valley
Access	• Mainly level roadway and wide carriageway after the initial narrow passage at Clarendon Road end • Mixed surfaces to pavements – tarmac and stone; Tarmac road surfaces • Occasional traffic but speeding • Bins can be an obstruction • Some gradients on dropped curves are difficult on otherwise level route	Speeding traffic is problem Check dropped curves
Greenery	• 40+ trees • Few or very small individual gardens • Grass and shrub verges, larger gardens on corner plots provide green aspect • Victorian garden walls at risk • Mature trees on corner gardens and in front of former St Michaels • Kendal Close is good space linking to Hanover Square • Paved area in front of Airedale Mount completely covers previous garden area.	More trees on verges Information to owners of garden walls Develop Kendal Close as community space – herbs, wildflower etc, community events Replace benches in Kendal Close
Opportunities		• Pocket parks - Verges could be planted with small standard trees The Bridge, LWSt corner and Kendal Close – **pocket parks

LWGC7 Belle Vue Road/ St Johns Terrace and Rosebank Road		
Connections	See LGS3 Rosebank Millennium Green Hanover Square – Rosebank Millennium Green – Woodhouse Moor Belle Vue Road - Arterial Movement channel Rosebank Road – Local residential	Good route for pedestrians (steeper for cyclists) leading from Burley Road to Woodhouse Moor Unfortunately traffic treats it as a short cut too and because of relatively light traffic, some drivers speed through traffic calming bumps
History	Belle Vue House was built in 1793 and survived many changes until refurbished in 1978 Belle Vue Road, developed from 1861 on BV lands by the Eastwoods, follows the line of the ridge and old field boundaries.	Two of the three sets of Victorian steps run down the slope from Belle Vue Road to Burley Road. The middle set retain the original Victorian ironwork. The third set joins the ginnel between No.s ??? BV Rd and Rosebank Road.
Access	• Gentle slope upwards, steeper when it nears Woodhouse Moor • Wide carriageway • Parking on both sides in middle stretches • Junction with St Johns Road is difficult sightline for pedestrians • BV Rd - Speeding traffic despite bumps	Speeding traffic measures Rosebank Rd – problems with speeding traffic, suspect drug sales
Greenery	• 14 trees up to BV Stores • Good sized gardens in middle and upper BV Rd • Many mature trees esp. upper BV Rd (St Johns Terrace) • Generous verges – Consort estate • Shrubs and small trees – Consorts • Neglected gardens in private Consorts • Green slope and hawthorn hedge in front of Kendal Walk provides some protection to housing from noise and air pollution (Oak House maintains this now)	Kendal Walk residents face the overdevelopment of student blocks No internal green space in Oak House 46 Burley St Trapezium Improve biodiversity on verges and lawns • Bank behind Concept Place student block is good for wilderness planting but needs better litter control
		Control Bins on St J Terrace Tree replacement plan on St Johns Terrace *pocket park by splitting Rosebank Road in two

LWGC8 Burley Road (south side)		
Connections	See LGS5 Willows LGS7 Marlborough Street LGS8 Marlborough Towers Marlboroughs – Willows Strategic route east- west, bus routes to City, Bramley, Horsforth, Headingley	Burley Street / Road is a major arterial route out from Leeds city centre Bus routes – several including 49 and 50 cross the city centre
History	Park Lane was the original main road between Leeds and Bradford (including site of former toll gate house and parish border stone corner Woodsley Road and Burley Road). It ran uphill at St Peters Hill and was replaced by Burley Street, built on a hidden viaduct with Victorian arches.	
Access	• Service road runs in parallel to Burley Rd carriageway from Opals to Willows • Heavy traffic, single lane with bus lane on south side • Several pedestrian crossings • Bus routes: • Parking on north side is a problem outside student blocks causing double parking by delivery vehicles • Several junctions (Studio Road, Woodsley Road, Westfield Road) can cause holdups • Pavements too narrow • Litter problem from takeaways	Promote service road as alternative route to Burley Road for walkers and cyclists More planting Control parking on green verges next to St Andrews Hill
Greenery	• 50+ trees • Mature trees screen large BT building between Fox and Newt and Sentinel House • Secondary service road south of main carriageway has many planted areas of grass, shrubs and mature medium sized trees • Car park area is well screened by shrubbery hedge opposite the School •	More planting around carparks (Council owned) Area of trees and grass opp. Westfield Cres /Rd is good example of planting Develop LGS Willow Green eg benches, planting, explore school use
Opportunities	Park Lane site development Is PO building a potential development site	*Pocket park strip on s side *pocket parks Triangle at corner with Park Lane and Park Lane/Burley St near Park Lane Campus

LWGC9 Kirkstall Road (north side)		
Connections	See also LGS6 Duncombe Street LGS5 Willows Duncombe Street - Marlboroughs – Willows Strategic route east-west out of centre to Kirkstall; entry to Inner City Loop Runs parallel to River Aire corridor	Kirkstall Road is a major traffic artery, feeding from Kirkstall to motorways and city centre
History	- Previously an industrial and manufacturing corridor, Kirkstall Road has several large brown sites in the process of redevelopment on its south side. - The north side has media and leisure industries, hotels and student blocks. - The area was flooded in 2015 – green banks protected Willows estate.	The new developments will greatly increase residential use on southside. Need for new facilities eg green spaces (and access to blue spaces on riverbank) also retail, health and education. Traffic – need for crossing points for pedestrians
Access	- Level – flood plain - River side - No access to blue corridor - Wide shared pavement for pedestrians/cyclists - Parts of main carriageway are marked as cycle path (not continuous) - Junctions cross at Studio Road and Holiday Inn?? Road - Strip interrupted by building up to edge – KMRE development - Lack of pedestrian crossing points especially with new developments	New developments are piecemeal, no overall plan for riverside – could improve public access to a blue corridor Width could allow both pedestrian and cycle ways
Greenery	50+ trees offer air pollution filter - The north side has a “boulevard” strip of green space. - Mainly grass, some shrubs and small trees in verge approx. 15m wide - Carparks have taken up some areas - No greenery – KMRE development at east end	More planting for better air and noise screening Designate a Walkway and Cycleway along boulevard on north side
Opportunities		Boulevard greenery Explore access to riverbank through new developments

LWGC10 North/ South routes via Victorian Steps NB pedestrian only	Links to Local Green Spaces (LGS) and local destinations <i>Street hierarchy</i>	Access notes	Greenery – key points	Problems and Opportunities *pocket park
LWGC10 a Pedestrian only	a. Kirkstall Rd – Bingley St – Rutland St – ‘Victorian’ steps – Burley Rd – Rutland Mount – Park Lane – Belle Vue Rd <i>PBSAs Tannery, Foundry The Highland pub Sentinel Towers PBSA Coop Store PBSAs - Oak House, Trapezium</i>	Pedestrian route from PBSAs on Kirkstall Rd via Victorian steps to Burley Road Pedestrians only – steep steps and uphill Road crossing Burley St to Coop	Bingley St is a canyon with high rise blocks no space, no views, no greenery Rough green space next to steps has some trees Rutland Mount has new green bed	Shared surface for streets – Bingley, Abbey and Cavendish to allow vehicles only for access Improve green space next door Abbey Road with planters *pocket park next to ‘Victorian steps’ replace with wider and improved steps
LWGC10 b Pedestrian only	b. Burley St – Westfield Rd – ‘Victorian’ 99 steps – Belle Vue Rd – Victoria Terrace - Victoria Rd – Clarendon Rd <i>PBSAs Concept House, Trapezium, Iconic the Edge, Roomzz Takeaways</i>	Well used route for pedestrians heading for universities Pedestrian only steep steps up to join Belle Vue Rd and uphill via Victoria Terrace	Greenery on sides of 99 steps Gardens in Victoria Terrace Airedale Mount – garden paved over for car park	Maintenance of plants alongside the steps Add more plant variety Enforce 20mph on Kendal Lane
LWGC10 c Pedestrian only	c. Burley Rd – Rosebank Primary School - Westfield Rd — - Victorian ‘School steps’ and Rosebank M Green paths – Belle Vue Road	Pedestrian steps uphill between Burley Road and Belle Vue Rd – well used route to school	Steps form boundary of Rosebank Millennium Green Upper steps retain Victorian materials Leeds Fed HA has tended the lower green border	School uses the Rosebank and helps activities
LWGC10 d Pedestrian only	d. Burley Rd – Westfield Crescent Rosebank M Green paths and Woodsley Rd - Rillbank Lane – Millennium Way steps – Rosebank Rd – Woodhouse Moor	Millennium Way is on site of Victorian Steps Steep steps uphill Several paths of varying steepness	Through trees and plants Orchard planting Exercise opps	Rosebank MGT volunteers maintain Rosebank - needs funding to support Tree planting to increase biodiversity for wildlife

Vehicle routes – north south	Links to Local Green Spaces (LGS) and local destinations <i>Street hierarchy</i>	Access notes	Greenery – key points	Problems and Opportunities (*pocket park)
LWGC10 e Vehicle/ pedestrian	e. Kirkstall Rd – Marlborough St - Burley St – Park Lane (V) <i>Hotel and PBSAs Fox & Newt pub Bus stops west - east</i>	Steep hill Narrow pavements Cycle route from Kirkstall Rd Top junction is dangerous	Shrubs and verges on lower right side, small gardens of Marlboroughs	Review junction of Burley St/Park Lane/ Marlborough St Any development on east side Marlboro St should be set back and include greenery
LWGC10 f Vehicle/ pedestrian	f. Kirkstall Rd – Bingley St – Cavendish St – St Andrews Hill – Burley Rd	Narrow streets and pavements overlooked by tall blocks	Kirkstall Road – green verges on north side Otherwise none	Develop potential boulevards and/or Shared surface and build out for planters
LWGC10 g Vehicle/ pedestrian	g. Kirkstall Rd – Willows LSG – Woodsley Rd - Hyde Park Rd – Woodhouse Moor – University of Leeds	Pedestrian green space between two high traffic routes	Grass banks and trees – flood protection Buffer for air pollution and traffic noise	Wider range of plants Burley Rd side – improve park area
LWGC10 h Vehicle/ pedestrian	h. Kirkstall Rd – Studio Rd – Burley Rd – Woodsley Rd – Woodhouse Moor	Well used route for traffic, the turn into Burley Rd can be problematic	Studio Rd car parks have no greenery South side of Burley Rd has planting on verges	Small tree/shrub planting could line carparks without blocking sightlines