



Case Study

Greenwich Peninsula Ecology Park

Location: **London**

Size: **1.72 hectares**
Client: **Homes & Communities Agency (HCA)**
the Land Trust's Role: **Long term management**
From: **Former gas works site**
To: **Ecology Park**

Greenwich Peninsula Ecology Park was developed as part of the early phase of decontamination and regeneration of the peninsula to recreate and re-establish part of the original marshland heritage and provide an asset for the local community.

It is now a thriving urban oasis, providing a haven for wildlife and serving as a key ecological site within a major redevelopment area.

This oasis will be even more important when redevelopment plans are realised, comprising over 1,300 new homes and commercial spaces in the coming years.

The Ecology Park was established in 2002 and to ensure the park remained an asset to the area, the Land Trust took ownership in 2011, investing an endowment received from the HCA to secure its long term maintenance and sustainability.

The Ecology Park plays a crucial role within the area, providing community benefit through educational, volunteering and training opportunities; contributes to improving the health and wellbeing of people; provides refuge for vital wildlife and ecosystem services, supporting important biodiversity and acts as a sustainable urban drainage systems (SUDS) for the surrounding area.

In the first 10 years, the Park was managed on a daily basis by the Trust for Urban Ecology (TRUE), now The Conservation Volunteers, and has welcomed over 100,000 visitors since opening, including 15,000 school children. They continue to deliver hands-on environmental education to people of all age ranges, connecting them with nature and the outdoors and providing Greenwich with a real asset to the community.



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