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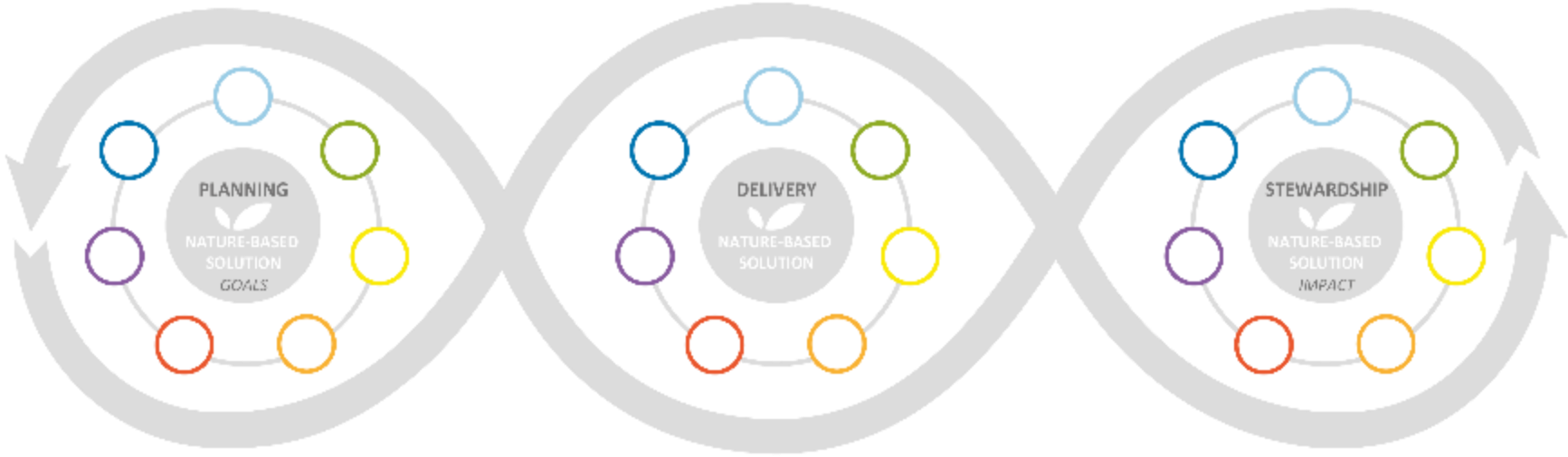
But what is a Nature based Solutions?



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- TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS
- GOVERNANCE
- FINANCING AND BUSINESS MODELS
- ENTREPRENEURSHIP
- CO-PRODUCTION
- REFLEXIVE MONITORING
- IMPACT MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT

It's about a lot more than Biodiversity

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What are nature-based solutions?

It's about a lot more than Biodiversity

1. Does it use nature/natural processes?

2. Does it provide/improve social benefits?

3. Does it provide/improve economic benefits?

4. Does it provide/improve environmental benefits?

5. Does it have a net-benefit on biodiversity?

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Source: Stuart Connop, UEL, 2019

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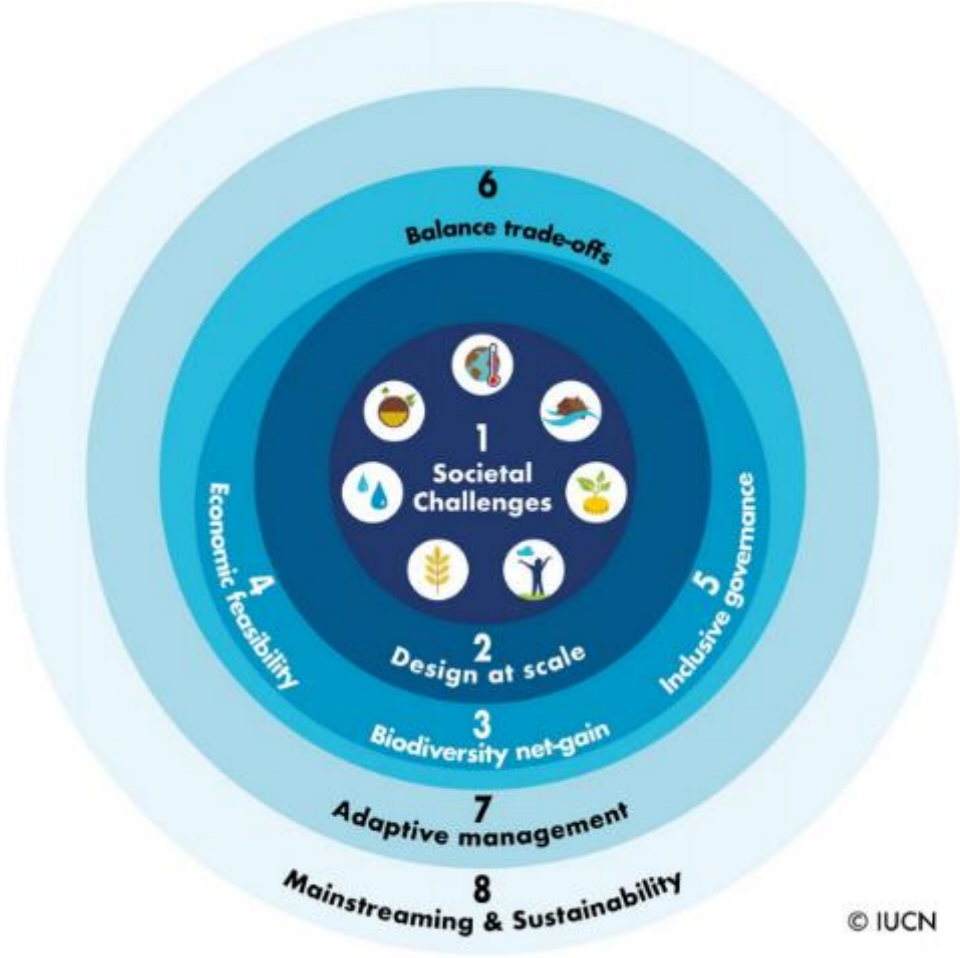
Place Based Approach with a nature Based Solutions Lens



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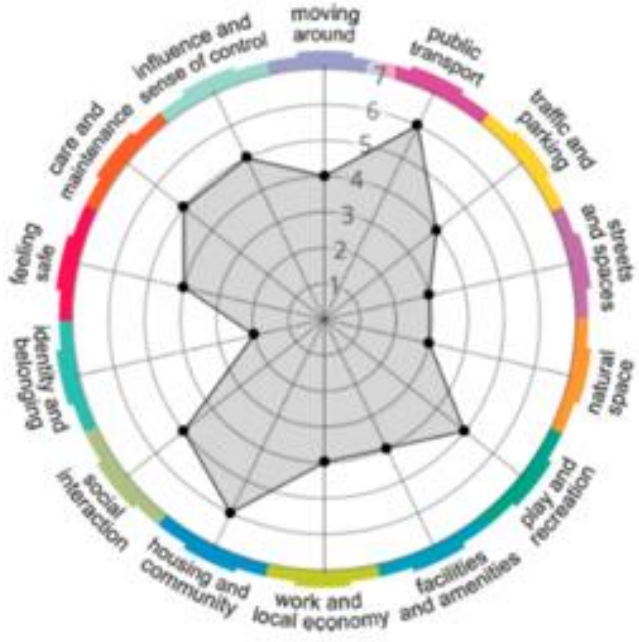
Think about Place

“Dull, inert cities, it is true, do contain the seeds of their own destruction and little else. But lively, diverse, intense cities contain the seeds of their own regeneration, with energy enough to carry over for problems and needs outside themselves.”

Jane Jacob

"Town Planning is not mere place-planning, nor even work planning. If it is to be successful it must be folk planning. This means that its task is not to coerce people into new places against their associations, wishes, and interest, as we find bad schemes trying to do. Instead its task is to find the right places for each sort of people; place where they will really flourish

Sir Patrick Geddes



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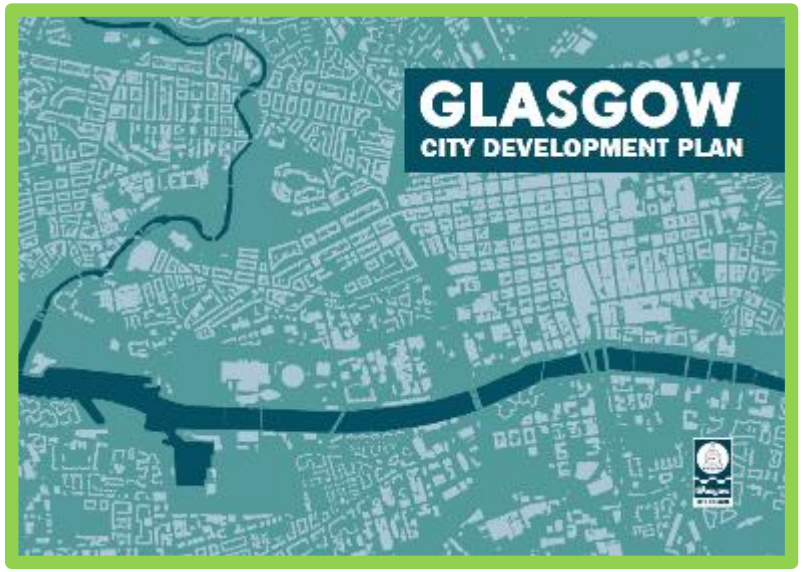
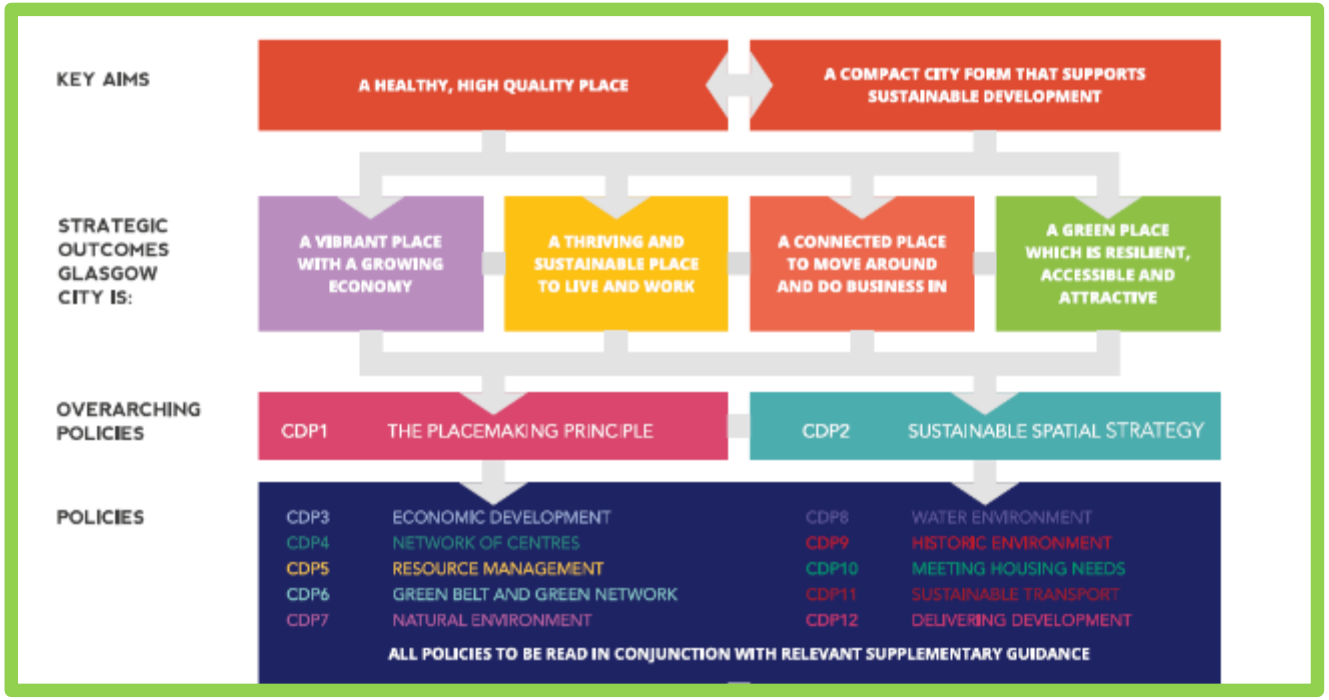
Development Plan Context to Nature based solutions





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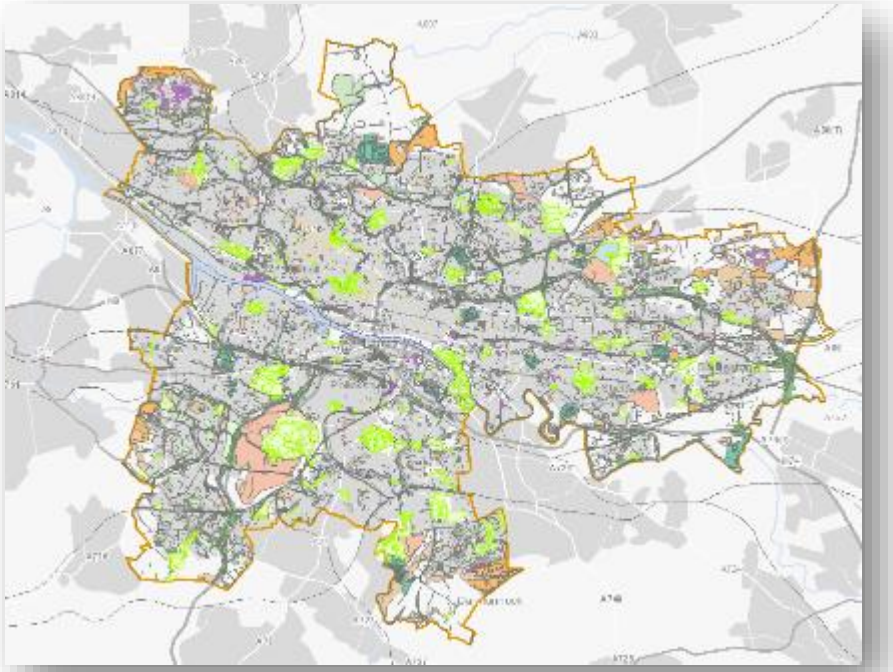
Glasgow's Open Space Strategy



PAN65 Open Space Map
(https://glasgowgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=a968a2a7fa514eb1ac66abc571949c2e)

Glasgow's Open Space Strategy, 2020
(https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/openspacestrategy)

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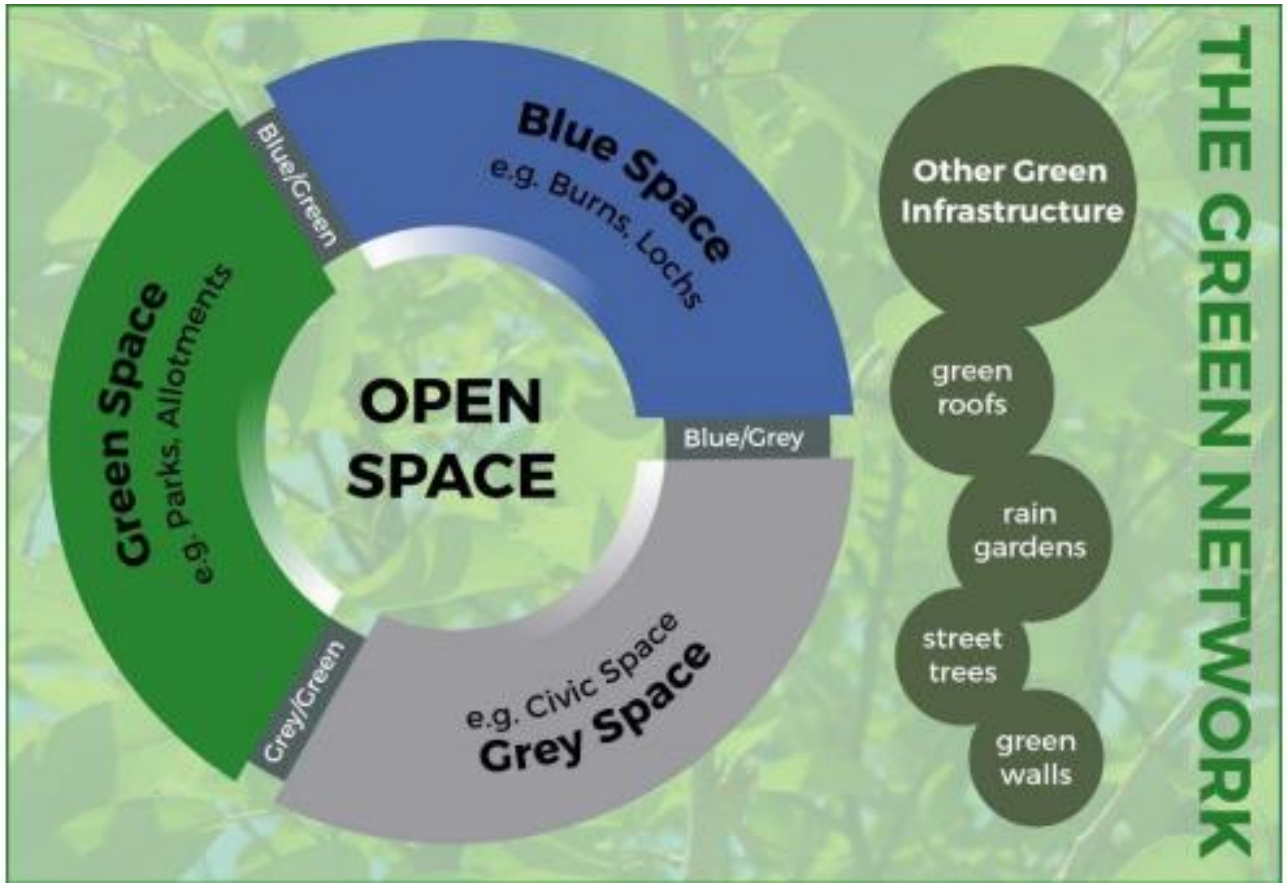

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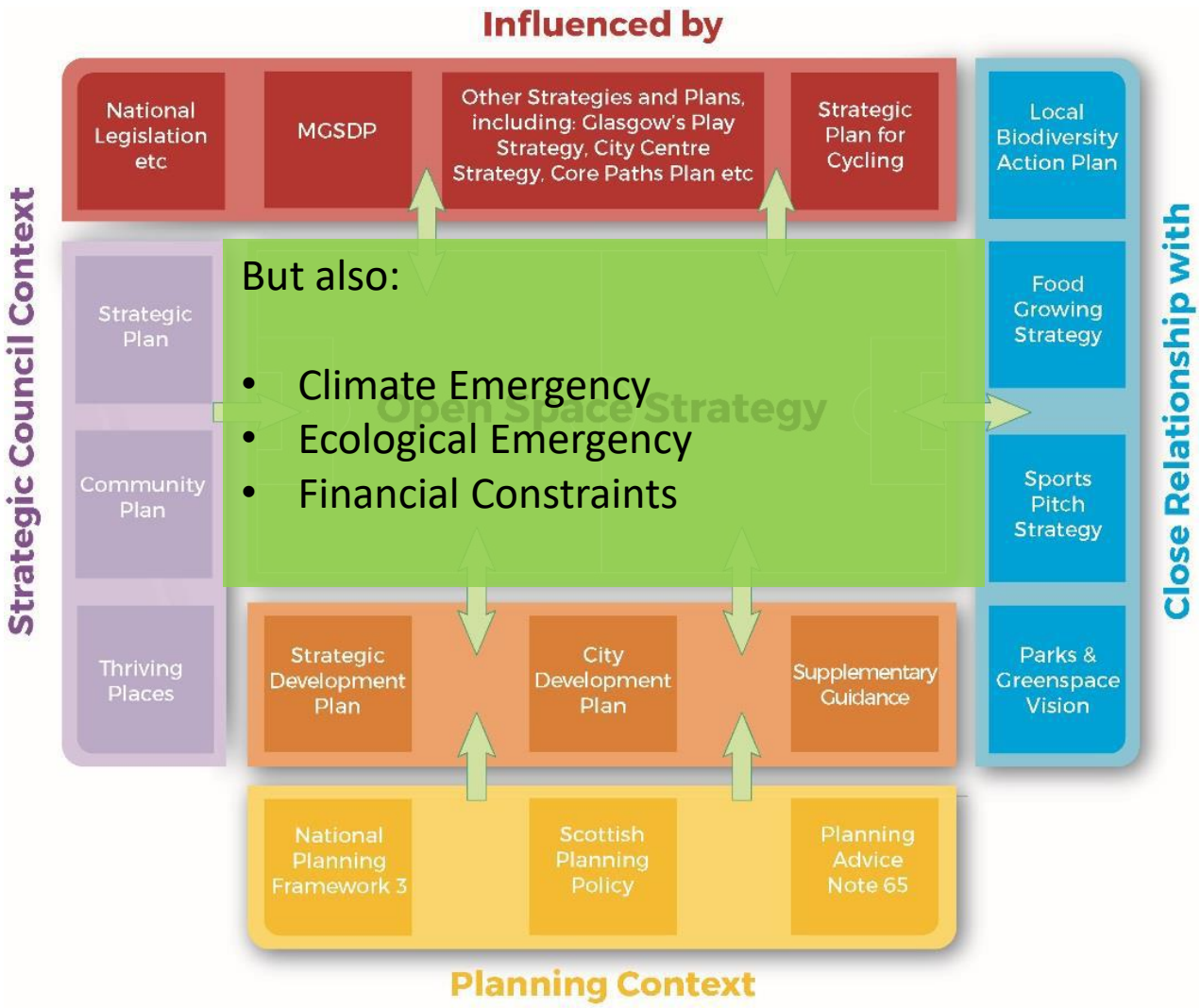

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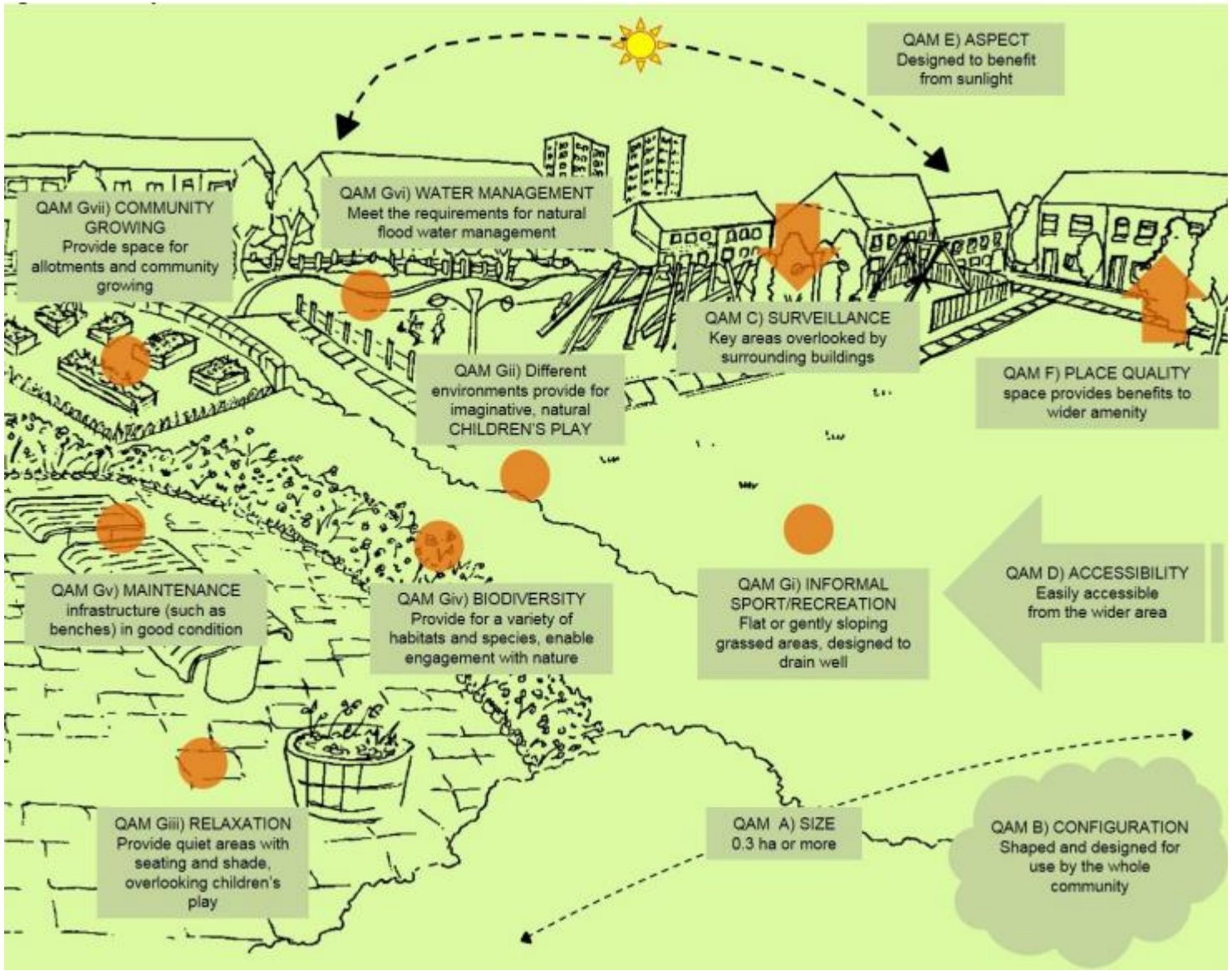

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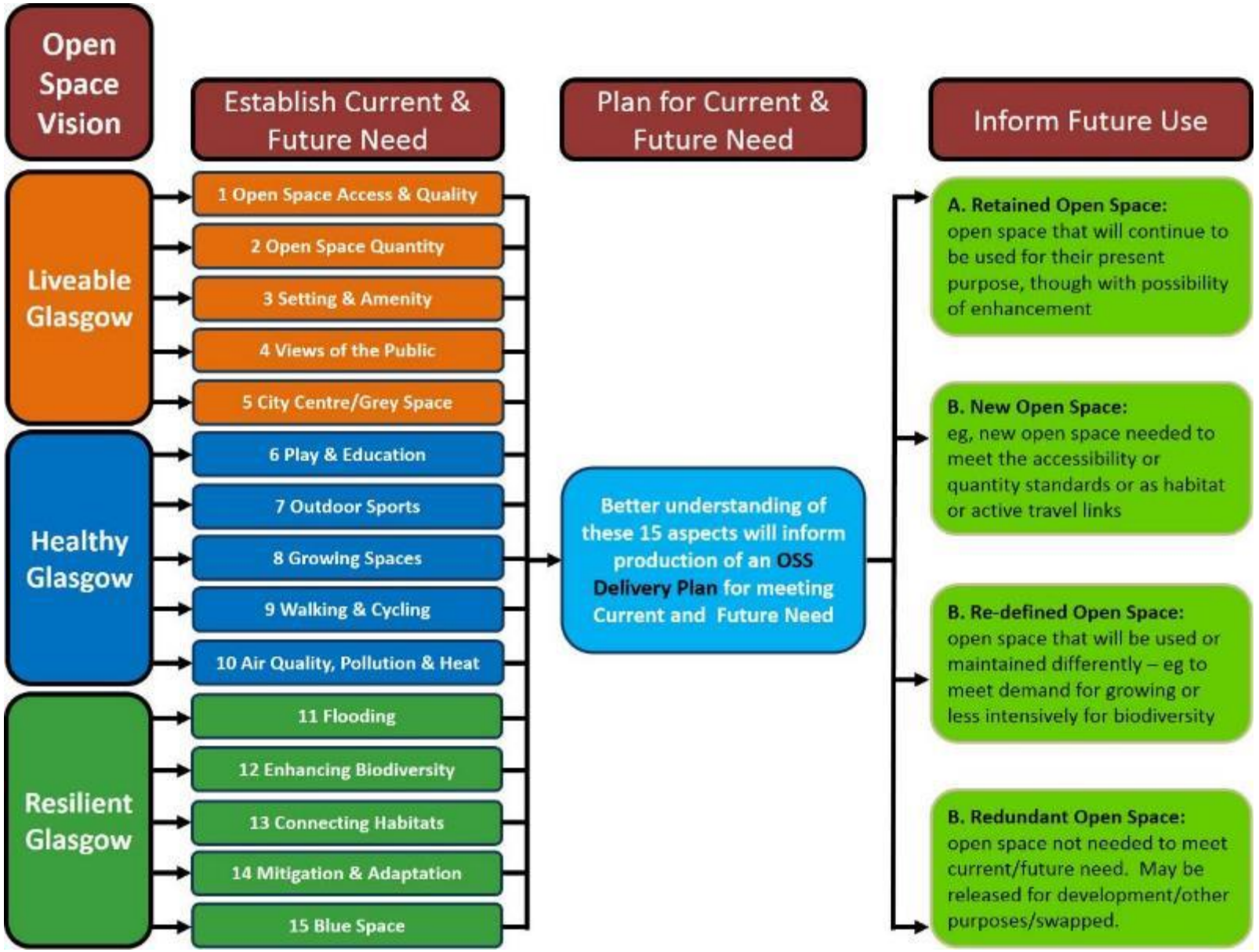

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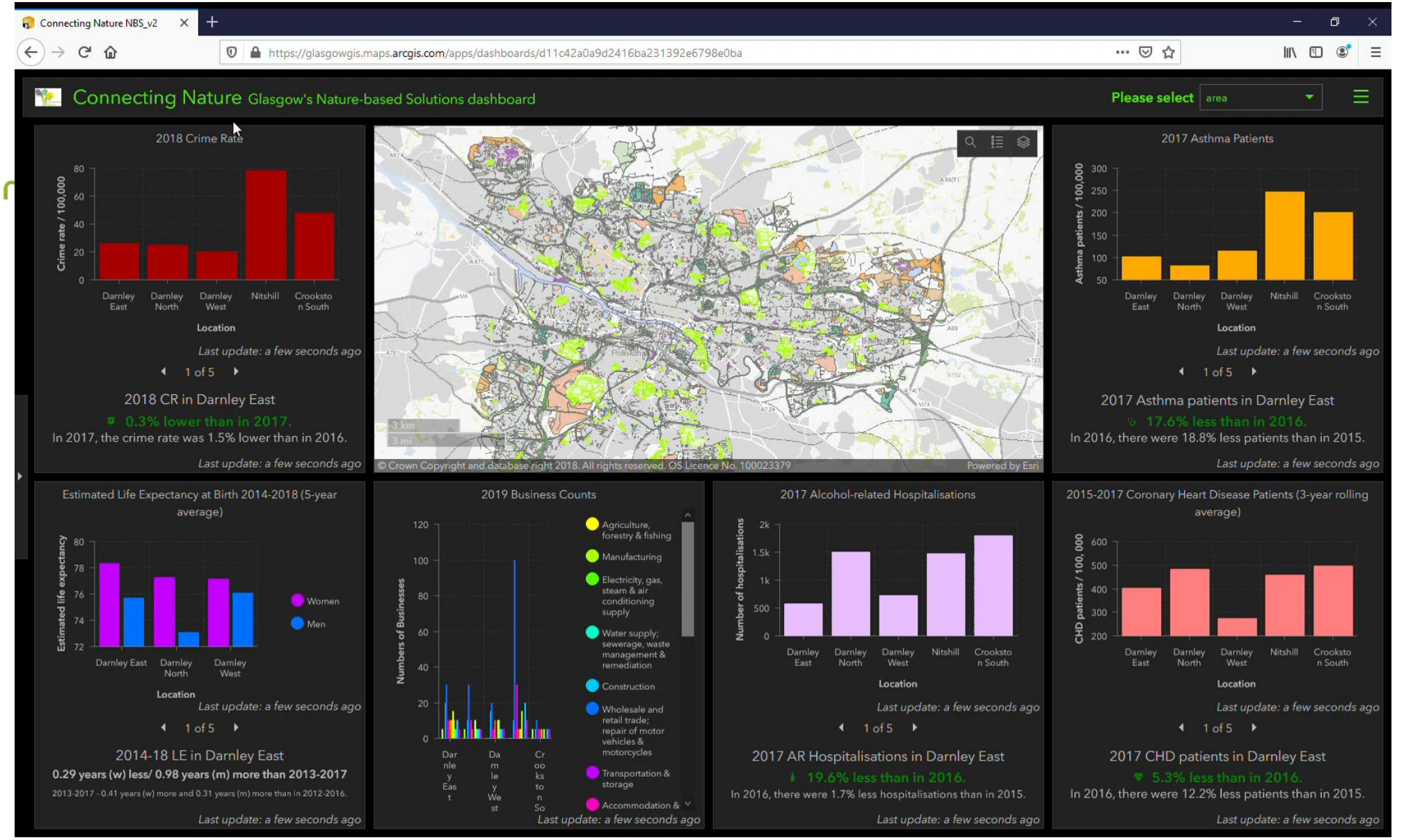

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