

Salix Programme

Newsletter



Leicester
City Council

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Salix Programme newsletter. This time, find out all about Great Big Green Week and read about recent progress at Salix project sites in Leicester.

Great Big Green Week 2021

Organised by the Climate Coalition, the [Great Big Green Week](#) will run from 18 to 26 September, and will be the largest event for climate and nature ever seen in the UK. Thousands of events will celebrate how communities are taking action to tackle climate change and protect green spaces, and encourage others to get involved too.





In Leicester, the Environmental Education team will be hosting a week of activities aimed at children and young people, which will launch on Monday 20 September with a four-day green-themed film festival at Phoenix Cinema. You can buy tickets for 50p from the [Phoenix Website](#).

On Tuesday 21 September, the city council will be hosting a UN-style climate conference where young delegates will present their nation's pledges on climate action in the morning, before taking part in activities based on Leicester's Climate Emergency Action Plan in the afternoon.

To mark the end of the week, schools will take part in a climate march to a celebratory plastic-free picnic in Abbey Park on Friday 24 September. Schools will come together from across Leicester and march from the bottom of the golden Mile to Abbey Park from 12 noon. At the park, schoolchildren will have the opportunity to make pledges on green hearts to drive action on tackling climate change, before they assemble to spell out 'Green Week' for a drone photo.



THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK		SCHEDULE
		(ALL DATES ARE IN SEPTEMBER 2021!)
MON 20	Film festival begins at Phoenix Cinema	
TUE 21	Secondary schools' conference	
WED 22	Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots "Letter to the Future" competition winner announced	
THU 23	Eco-Schools and Food For Life celebration	
FRI 24	Great Big litter pick and climate march	
WED 29	Documentary Media Centre news day event	

COP26 Green Hearts From Leicester Campaign

Next week, the city council's Sustainability Team are launching the #GreenHeartsFromLeicester campaign as part of Great Big Green Week.



The Green Hearts From Leicester campaign is based on The Climate Coalition's Show the Love campaign, which encourages us to use our voices to celebrate the things we don't want to lose to climate change.

Later this year, the UK is hosting the United Nations Climate Conference in Glasgow, also known as COP26. Now is the time to use the power of green hearts to make pledges to take action for climate change, and challenge our world leaders at COP26 to make a difference.

Works Carried Out

Over the past two weeks, ESL (Energy Saving Lighting) has been working to install new LED lighting at Alderman Richard Hallam Primary School. Existing light fittings in the school building are being replaced with more energy efficient LED lightbulbs, which will help to reduce the school's energy costs as well as their carbon footprint.

Existing lighting
(right), and new
LED lighting
(below)



Contact us

Each site has a dedicated project manager (Alan Evans or John Squires), however if you have a general question or need to get in touch with the Salix Project Team email us at

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