



# GLASGOW: A CHANGING CITY

## PLACES AND GREENSPACE

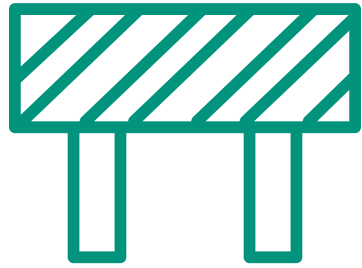
### Key stats.....

**6 in 10**

people in Glasgow live within 500m of vacant and derelict land



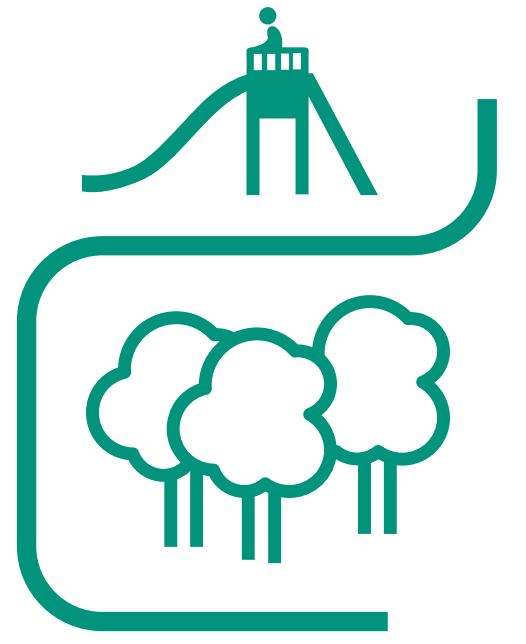
this is **double that** in other cities in Scotland



There are

**91**

public parks in the city, covering nearly 6% of land in Glasgow



### Covid-19 impact.....



The pandemic has highlighted the **importance of local neighbourhood environments** for health and wellbeing



But there are **inequalities in access to and use of greenspace**



There is desire among many people to **spend more time outdoors** for leisure and exercise, and to walk and cycle more



During the pandemic restrictions, people from more **socially disadvantaged backgrounds** and **older people** were **less likely than before** to access green spaces

### Our recommendations.....

The transition to net zero is an opportunity to **tackle inequalities and climate change**



The focus on a **just and green recovery** must be maintained



**Equitable access to good quality greenspace** is needed in every community

We support the aims of the Glasgow City Food Plan to build a **thriving and sustainable local food economy**, including making use of **vacant land sites for food growing in the community**



It is crucial to continually monitor and report on both longstanding inequalities and emerging trends to inform population health debate, policy choices and service planning

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