

# L8 Living Sustainably Lessons Learned

- Project overview
- Partnership development
- Community engagement
- What's worked, what hasn't

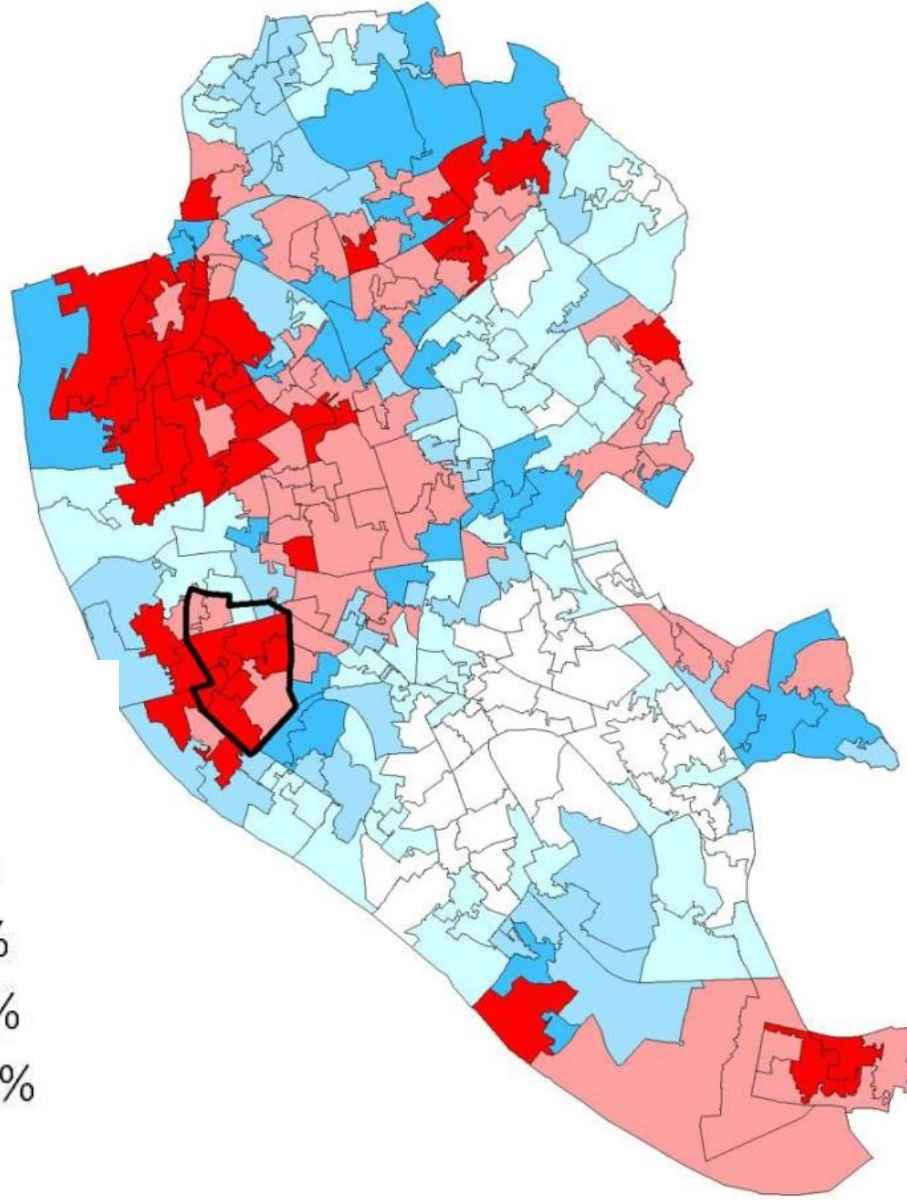
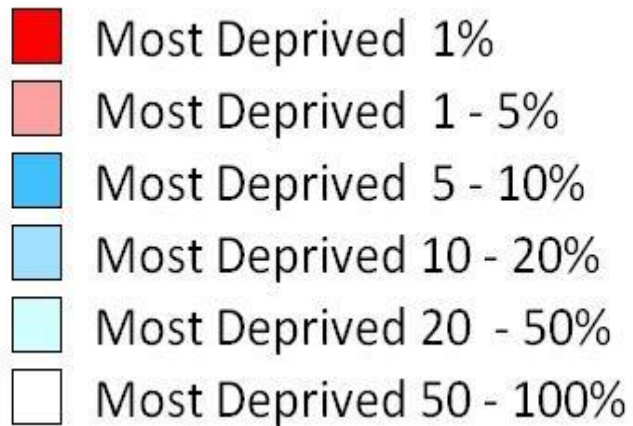
# Project Overview

- Sustainability through Food and Energy
- Liverpool 8 (Toxteth) *18,500 households*
- £917,000 over 5 years *mainly revenue*
- *1.2 hectares cultivated*  
*£50,000 of local food sold*  
*8,000 people benefitting from workshops etc*  
*20Mw renewable energy generation*

# Neighbourhood Overview

- Diverse neighbourhood *40+ languages*
- High deprivation *1% most deprived IMD*
- Many community organisations
- Lots of greenspace, demolition sites

# Toxteth, Liverpool





## L8 Patchwork Urban Farm

Sites being explored as potential food growing areas.  
Locations are approximate.



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### Sites of interest



Style Data Labels



Fern Grove Community Garden



Moss grove community space



Lodge lane bath site



Loudon Grove



Lower High Park Street



Point 11- Rhiwlas Street



Point 12- South Street



Point 15- top Treborth Street



Point 16- Top of South Street



Point 17- Padbury Green



Point 18- S Grove



Point 19- Bottom Beresford Road



Point 20- Beresford Road/ Mill str



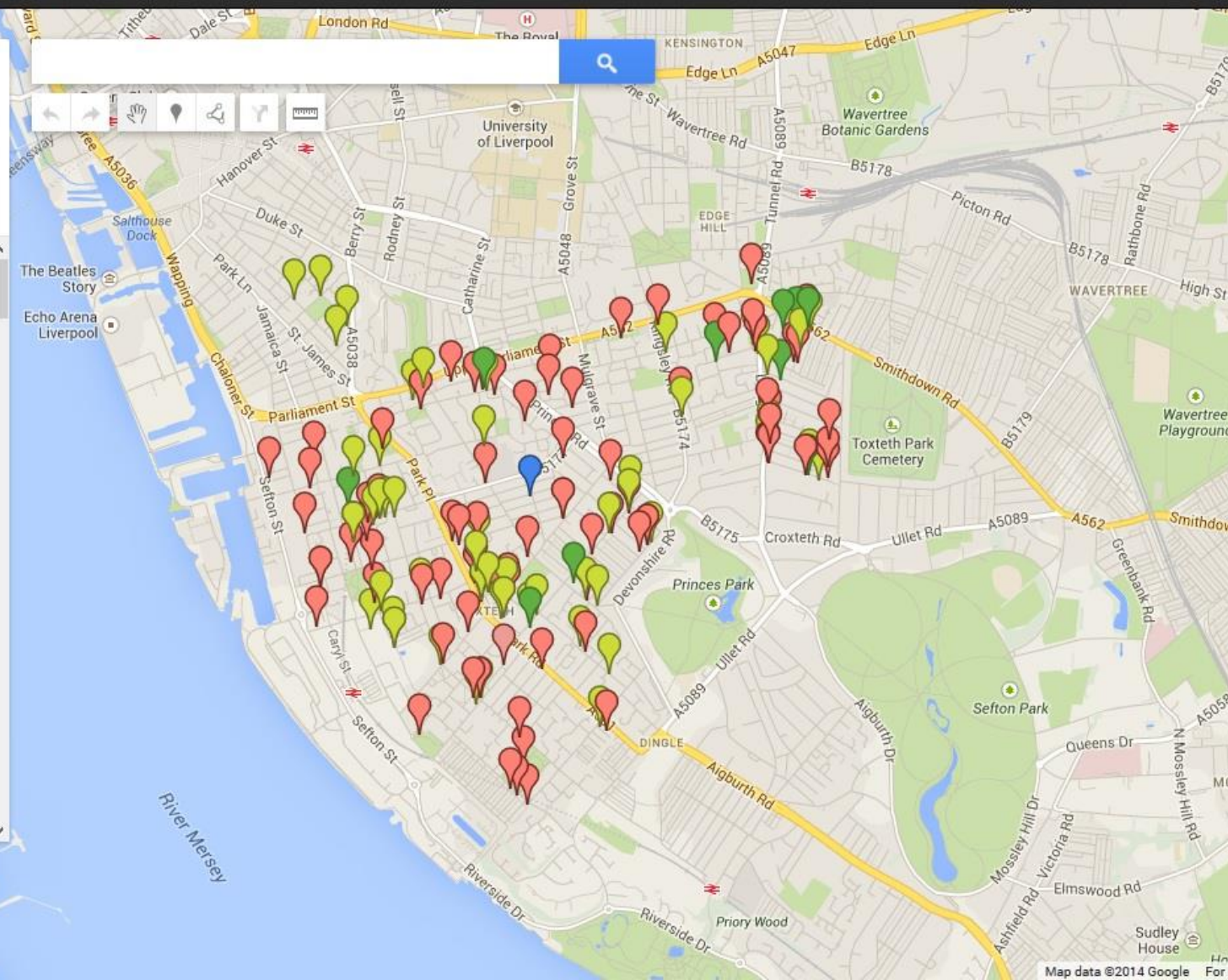
Point 21- Roper st/ Park Road



Point 2 North hill/ Letitia street



Point 23- ????





# Cullen Green





# Park Road ALS





# Fern Grove



# Stage 1 Partnership



Smaller, local  
third sector  
organisations



Rights  
and  
Humanity



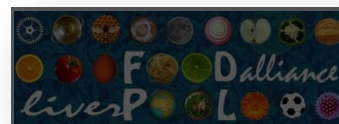
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# Current Partnership



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Plus wide  
range of new  
stakeholders,  
RSLs etc





# Award-winning L8 Superstore



**Winner**  
**BBC Radio 4 *You and Yours***  
**Food retailer of the year, 2015**

# Engaging Partners

- Identify common ground, values, objectives
- What's in it for me, what's in it for you?  
*What's the ask, what's the offer?*
- Assets, resources, access to communities
- Don't assume green values are universally held
- Regular contact *Wednesday meetings*

# Engaging the Community

- Ambassadors, champions, warriors
- Encourage behaviour change
- Create awareness
- Mobilise, persuade
- Try out new things
- Modified behaviour



# Picking Priority Food Sites

- Available, suitable space (meanwhile use?) and
- Council and councillors' priorities
- Community of interest engaged / to be engaged

## *Typology of gardens*

- Proximity to residents, schools, groups
- Local business involvement
- Diverse spread around the area

# Picking Priority Food Sites

- Contribute towards L8LS outcomes
- Fit with partners' objectives
- Leverage additional resources
- Location is less important

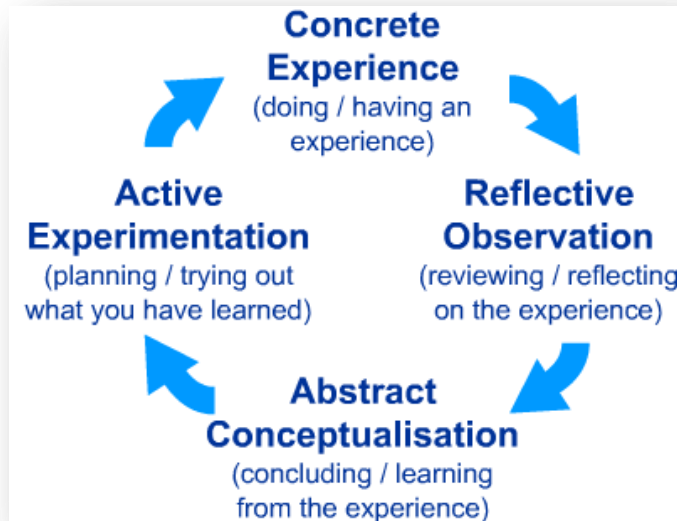
# What's Worked Well

- Community gardens
- Changing partnership as project evolves
- Close working with council *influencing Cabinet*
- RSLs
- Identifying what each partner can offer and what they want – don't assume
- Wednesday meetings, reflective practice



# Reflective Practice

- Test and stretch, continuous learning
- Kolbe's learning model



# What's Worked Well

- Lottery-funded networking meetings
- Adapting to changes

# What's Worked Less Well

- Involving organisations with divergent objectives
- Lottery-funded 'Enabler' role
- Energy generation as originally envisaged  
*now Liverpool Leccy partnership with LCC*
- Parochial nature of third sector
- Lottery-funded 'Test & Stretch' budget impenetrable

# Good Luck!