

WATERLOO STREET GARDEN, KEEPMOAT



BIODIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT OVERVIEW

The site is located in a courtyard in the centre of residential apartment blocks within Newcastle City centre. It is secluded from the general Public and is primarily used by the residents in the summer.

The communal garden attached to this project was in a poor state of repair. Benches were broken, plants had died therefore this was not a pleasant place to relax and reflect.

Keepmoat and Places For People decided to work together to enhance the area and the environment to the City Centre communal garden. Plants, flowerpots and benches were introduced with the support of T Manners who are one of our Sub Contractors. The plants were chosen to encourage wildlife.

The gardens and flower boxes have been sown with copious amounts of wild flower seeds with the hope of attracting bees and butterflies. In an attempt to attract ladybirds back into the environment in greater numbers we have installed a Ladybird house with special feed.

Bee and ladybird houses were placed in the trees around the garden. The highlight of the day was the 4 hour build of a bug hotel which took a lot of effort and patience after collecting recycled materials that took 6 weeks. The end result was worthwhile. The garden is now a lovely peaceful place to sit.

This project was supported by the Client Places for people and local subcontractor. This project is in the middle of Newcastle and this garden has made a difference to the residents living here. We had some support from the residents and they now have a relaxing environment where they can sit.

Fact box

Company name:

Keepmoat

Project name:

Waterloo Street garden

Location:

Newcastle

Biodiversity enhancement:

- Wildflowers
- Bee and ladybird houses
- Bug hotel

Size:

N/A

Cost:

N/A

Tips:

N/A

Year completed:

2014

Categories:

- Small scale permanent
- Community engagement

Pictures of the enhancements

