

Urban greenspaces: the ones planners and surveyors overlook!

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Abstract:

Conservation and protection of habitats overlooks the majority of greenspaces that many if not most species use. So too do most of these spaces fall outside the land and spaces that surveyors and planners focus on. This talk identifies the myriad of spaces that make up the totality of green spaces in urban areas and their importance to both species and to people. It argues that we need to open our eyes to the normal, the small, the commonplace, and the hard to develop spaces that make up the greenspaces that so often give spiritual and ecological life to the urban places we live in. In this talk there will be a photographic tour of urban greenspaces; both valued and overlooked spaces and spaces that challenge surveyors' and planners' notions of what matters. Finally it addresses how better more ecological developments can be created.

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