

# Rooftop Food Growing

## Royal Conservatoire of Scotland



### The project

In 2016, the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland established a rooftop garden with the aim to gain some **greenspace** in a city centre where greenspace is limited. The garden, managed by the estate department, is used to **grow vegetables** which are grown **organically** and **form part of the supply** of the Conservatoire's catering outlet.



### Outcomes and implications

- The garden has expanded both the number of crops and the garden size increasing from 3 m<sup>2</sup> in 2016 to 15 m<sup>2</sup> in 2019 and additional plans to introduce herbs and three new crops.
- As the garden provides greenspace where greenspace is limited, and vegetables are grown organically, it contributes to increasing biodiversity on campus and in the city
- The garden is now being replenished using compost that is made on-site



### SDGs

Growing vegetables to provide **food** that is **grown locally** and **organically** and by using **compost** made on-site, the Rooftop Garden contributes to **SDG12** as it **reduces** the **impact of food consumption** and to **SDG11** as it reduces per capita environmental impact

The project contributes to **SDG15** by using **sustainable growing** techniques and providing greenspace therefore also contributing to **increasing local biodiversity**

