



Green City report for AIPH Spring Meeting 2021

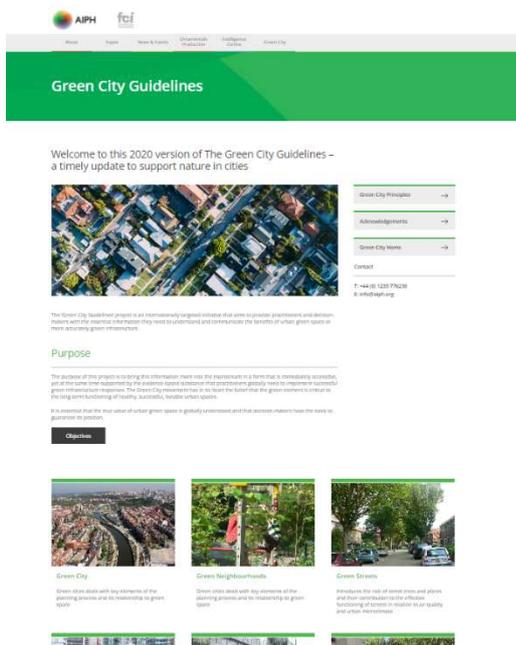
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1. Green City Guidelines

The AIPH 2020 Green City Guidelines were completed as required by the funder by 31st December 2020. The final report was delivered, and the final payment has been received.

The AIPH 2020 Green City Guidelines website was developed within the AIPH website review. This has been reviewed by selected people, and feedback has been positive, with some constructive comments welcomed.



Within the guidelines project, TFDA Chinese Taipei was tasked with preparing a summary publication of the guidelines. AIPH assisted with selecting content and images, and a copy of this will be attached to the website.

Additional case studies will be added to the website using a template to ensure a consistent format. Suitable projects will be invited to prepare a case study with the template, and this will be uploaded.

Other case studies still to come are case studies of horticultural producers to illustrate the role that the ornamental horticultural sector plays in the success of projects. Anne Jaluzot will undertake this work in the first half of 2021. Examples that will be presented include contract production, on-site nurseries, native/near native plant focus, and highly specialised micro-climate.

2. Green City conference

The AIPH Green City conference is scheduled for 22nd April, 2021, and will be a virtual event hosted on the platform, Hopin. The conference theme is Champions of Green Cities, and will present innovations and advances in city greening, showcasing policy and practice that achieve results. The keynote speaker is Professor Rob Adams, City of Melbourne. Following this keynote address, the AIPH World Green City Awards will be launched.



The second session of the conference features presentations on the role of greening cities in addressing key global issues. The final section will launch the AIPH 2020 Green City Guidelines, and will present case studies from the guidelines.

3. AIPH World Green City Awards



A logo for the awards has been designed. The logo is presented alongside the AIPH logo. The date refers to the date on which the awards will be presented and will change for every round of the awards (approximately every 2 years).

The awards has a webpage on the AIPH website, see <https://aiph.org/green-city/green-city-awards/>,

which outlines the intention of the awards, the awards categories, how to enter, and how entries will be evaluated. Entries for the awards will be submitted online, with the current webpage expanding to add this facility.

AIPH is inviting strategic organisations to partner the World Green City Awards. Partners confirmed are Urban Land Institute, Biophilic Cities, and Trees for Cities. We are in conversation with other potential partners.

4. World Green City Organisation

There has been no further development of the World Green City Organisation. AIPH continues to explore promising leads.

5. City of London Green City Briefings



On the request of, and in collaboration with, the [Worshipful Company of Gardeners](#) (WCoG), AIPH prepared a proposal to hold a series of 7 Green City Briefings. Master Gardener, Dr Heather Barret-Mold, successfully put the proposal to the Lord Mayor of the City of London, Alderman William Russell, who agreed to support the series of briefings, and open the first session.

The WCoG is providing funds for Seren Events to manage registrations and coordinate speakers. Sessions will be presented on the Zoom platform, with a 15 minutes introduction, followed by a keynote speaker, and 15 minutes of curated questions.

AIPH is leading on suggesting and inviting speakers. The City of London Green City Briefings is scheduled to start in April, with a session approximately monthly through to October (excluding August). The sessions will be at 1pm GMT to capture a range of time zones and be recorded for those in other time zones.

6. Publications

[Green City Post articles](#) were published in FCI magazine.

September/October 2020

- **Italian Cities are getting greener.** Report from a FlorMart survey.

November-December 2020

- **Biophilia – the importance of nature for feeling good.** Interview with Prof Tim Beatley, founder of Biophilic Cities.
- Biophilic design brings real economic benefits (Short comment)
- New Green Factor Tool sets the targets of Melbourne’s green infrastructure (short comment)

Jan – Feb 2021

- **Collaboration with nurseries delivers effective urban forest strategies for nurseries.** Interview with Dr Cecil Konijnendijk, founder of The Nature-based solutions Institute and director of Urban Forest