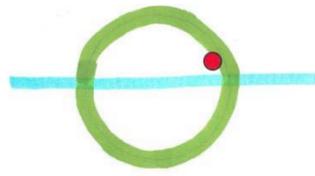


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## an eco corridor for Dublin city



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THE BOTANIC SPINE: an 18 km long orbital linear park that threads through a series of pocket parks; some existing, some proposed. Sheriff Street Park is one such park who's radical redesign acts as a catalyst for the area.

The Spine acts as an eco corridor and greenway that threads together the 6 existing city waterways, the Phoenix Park (Europe's largest city park) and the Botanic Gardens, which serves as the brain of the network that uses the spine as a constant feedback loop to output ecological projects and thinking into the wider city. The Botanic Gardens become the Dublin node in a global ecological system, greening the city, improving plant and animal life along green corridors, raising awareness and getting citizens involved with exciting eco initiatives.

The Spine is also a CPUL (continuous productive urban landscape) with a series of organic food gardens along it

The Spine mimics somewhat the structure and function of the human spine: a network of different systems flowing through the spine; plant and animal life, people, water, cycle route, metro line, digital info, hurling fans heading up to Croker for the big game?

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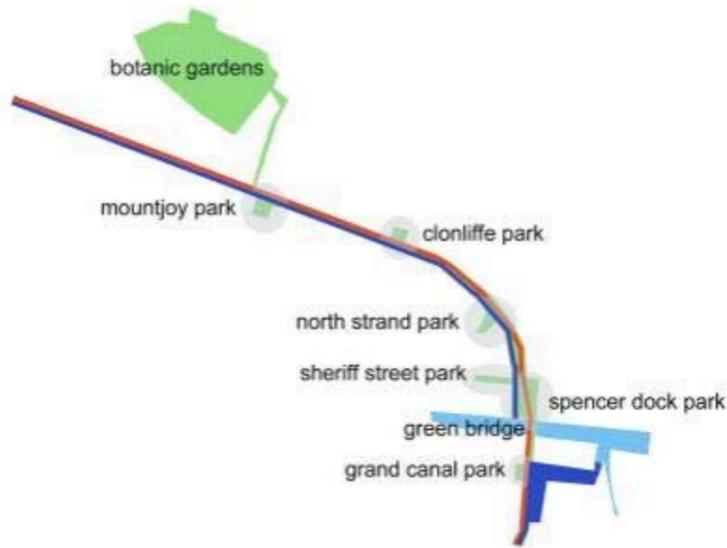
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#### Links:

- Botanic spine
- That eco city idea is starting to take off in china
- Greening city, connecting communities update:



18km ecological corridor for city



spine threads through series of city parks, connecting the city



spine as urban regenerator

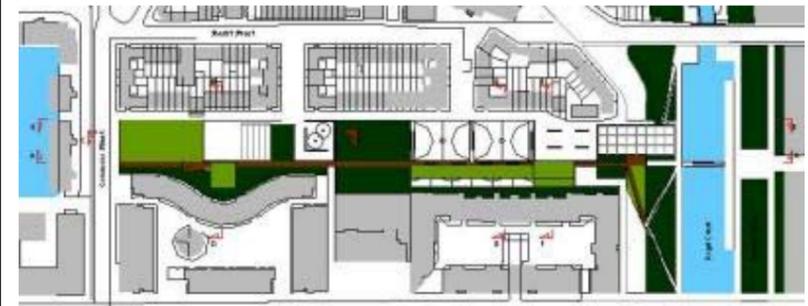


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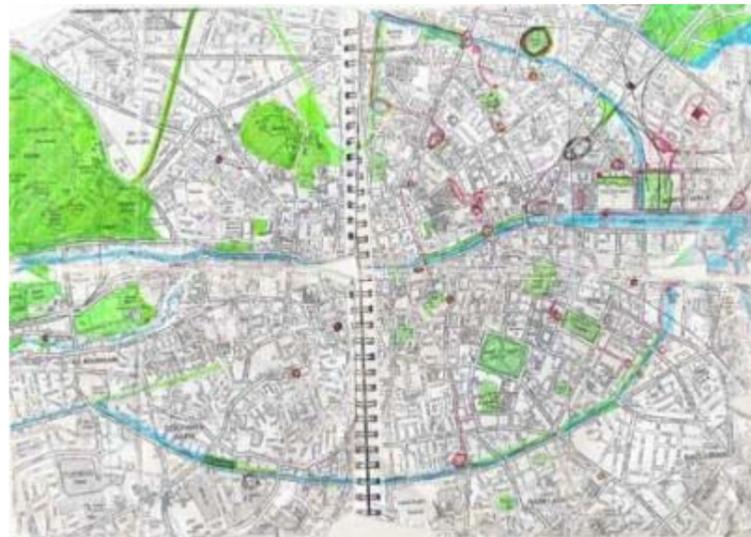
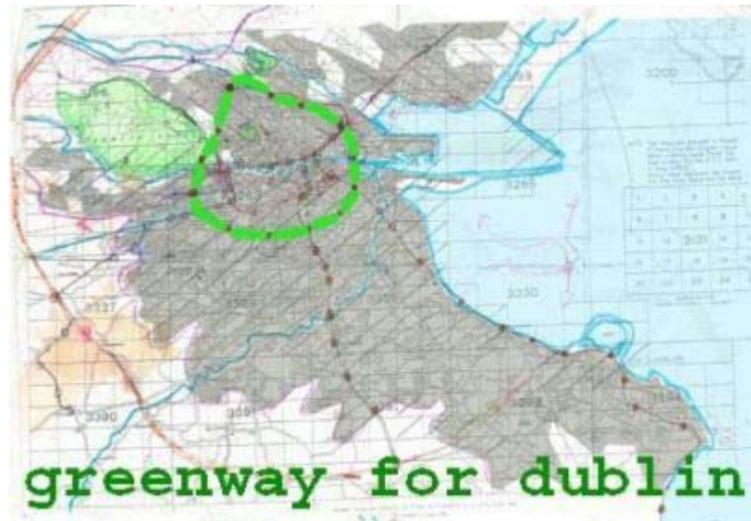
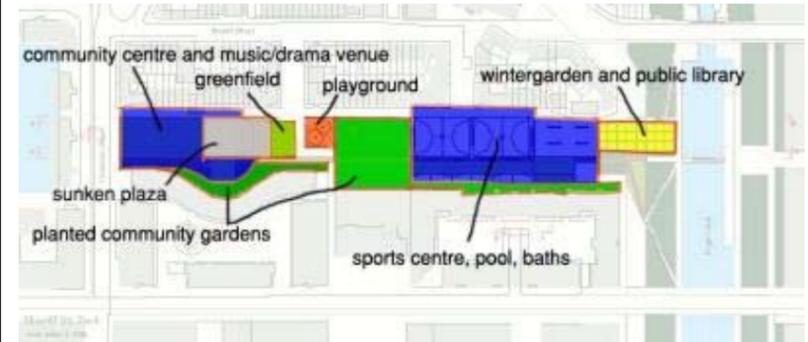


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Sheriff Street park, royal canal park and Liffey park, green bridge



Sheriff Street park : stuff to do : catalyst for community interaction



Dublin's green and blue spaces