

Point 1 Checklist:

Ecology

- Biodiversity Net Gain
- Increase in native species
- Area of permeable ground retained/created
- % of site returned to habitat
- Tree canopy increase
- % of pollinator-supporting planting

Water

- % of rainwater retained on site
- Surface runoff reduction
- Greywater reuse systems
- SuDS implementation

Carbon/Materials

- Whole life carbon assessment
- Embodied carbon
- % of bio-based materials
- % of locally sourced materials

Site Understanding

- Ecological survey before design
- Consultation of local ecologies
- Retain existing ecosystems

Point 2 Checklist:

Multi-species Support

- Number of species actively supported
- Integration of nesting habitats
- Inclusion of pollinator corridors
- Preservation of wildlife movement routes
- Reduction of night-light pollution

Ecological Coexistence

- Reduction of habitat fragmentation
- Ecological connection of green roofs/walls
- Bird-safe glazing

Human + Non Human

- Shared green infrastructure
- Food-growing spaces
- Soil regeneration strategies

Point 3 Checklist:

Physical Accessibility

- Step-free access
- Gradient compliance
- Accessible toilet provision
- Lift provision
- Door width compliance

Sensory Accessibility

- Glare reduction strategies
- Acoustic zoning
- Inclusion of quiet spaces
- Tactile wayfinding
- Colour contrast and lighting testing
- Multiple navigation methods

Inclusive Participation

- Consultation of disabled users
- Co-design workshops
- Consideration of neurodivergence
- Sensory impairment testing

Spatial Equality

- Can all users access the same entrances and spaces
- Are accessible routes equivalent to the experience of other routes

Point 4 Checklist:

Programme

- Multi-functional spaces
- Mixed-age use
- Occupancy variation

Ecology

- Plant species diversity index
- Balance of native and non-native species
- Seasonal variation of planting

Economy

- Multiple ownership models/ community ownership
- Provision of affordable spaces
- Integration of local businesses

Materiality

- Use of multiple materials & systems
- Capacity for reuse & adaptability

Point 5 Checklist:

Active Travel

- Walkability score
- Cycling provision
- Public transport proximity
- % reduction of car parking

Social/Public Life

- Provision of public seating
- Availability of shelter
- Child-friendly infrastructure

Ecological Movement

- Maintenance of wildlife corridors
- Tree-lined routes
- Green connectivity index

Safety & Access

- Inclusive road crossings
- Night-time accessibility
- Regular reset points

Point 6 Checklist:

Longevity

- Consider the design's lifespan
- Adaptability score
- Potential for disassembly
- Maintenance strategy

Stewardship

- Community governance models
- Plan for long-term ecological management
- Consider post-occupancy

Regenerative Growth

- Increase ecological value over time
- Consider how the building will mature or adapt over time

Temporal Thinking

- Design for seasonal change
- Design for climate resilience

Point 7 Checklist:

Community Participation

- Hold engagement sessions
- Encourage diversity amongst stakeholders
- Consult local groups
- Evidence co-design

Existing Culture

- Retain heritage
- Use local crafts and materials
- Preserve existing social uses

Social Continuity

- Assess the risk of displacement/ gentrification
- Maintain affordable and community access

Identity

- Let place research lead the design
- Represent existing narratives

Point 8 Checklist:

Materials

- % of reused materials
- Design for disassembly
- Material passports
- Waste diversion rate

Energy

- Operational energy balance
- % of renewable energy generated
- Waste heat recovery

Water/nutrients

- Composting systems
- Greywater reuse
- Circular water systems

Local Cycles

- Let place research lead the design
- Represent existing narratives

Point 9 Checklist:

Evidence

- Post-occupancy evaluation
- Monitor biodiversity post-completion
- Verify energy use
- Complete accessibility audits

Transparency

- Make reports publicly available
- Have metrics independently verified
- Disclose lifecycle data

Accountability

- Make targets measurable
- Acknowledge failures
- Maintain ongoing monitoring

Point 10 Checklist:

Depth vs Appearance

- Make planting function ecologically
- Ensure greenery contributes to cooling/drainage/habitat
- Use sustainable systems that are structural rather than cosmetic

Systems Change

- Reduce extractive methods
- Restore ecological functions
- Embed regeneration both spatially and socially

Anti-Greenwashing

- Quantify green features
- Biophilic strategies should be experiential and ecological rather than just stylistic