



# Growing a natural partnership: A Green Infrastructure Strategy for Wiltshire

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# The next ten minutes...

- What does Wiltshire Council mean by Green Infrastructure?
- Where have we been?
- Where are we now?
- Where are we going?



# Green Infrastructure in Wiltshire

- A difficult terminology – a sliding scale from vague to detailed
- Wiltshire Core Strategy: DCLG definition
- Defining GI as an asset
- Defining GI as a network
- Defining GI through scale





## Where have we been?

- Project began in 2009
- Need for countywide open spaces strategy in light of future development and growth
- Emphasis on multiple benefits of green space/open space
- Last stakeholder consultation ended in late 2011
- Core Strategy – Core Policy 52: Green Infrastructure

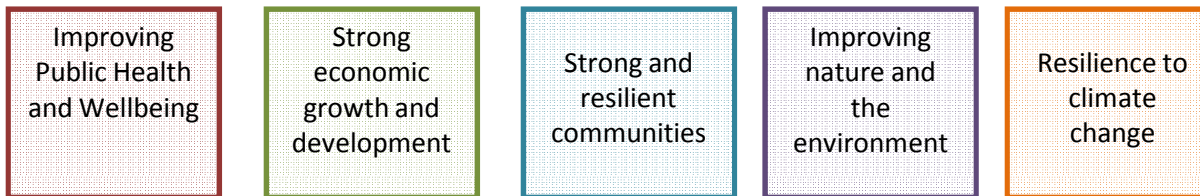
# Where have we been?

- Defining the scope and scale of the strategy
  - What geography will the strategy cover?
  - What will the strategy include?
  - What will it not include?
- Consulting with internal and external partners
  - What are the expectations?



# Where are we now?

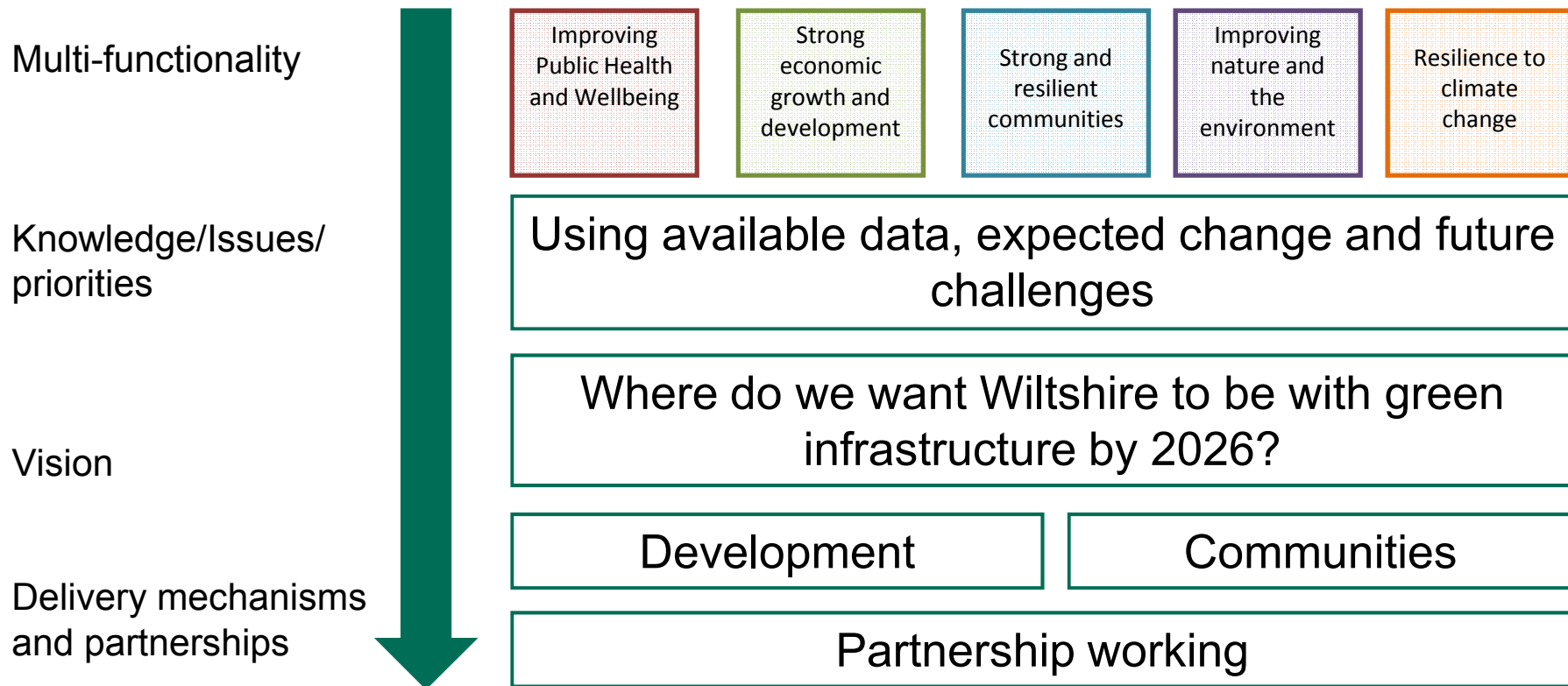
- Building a thematic framework to ensure multi-functionality



- Using existing data to identify key issues
- Developing priorities through GI themes
- Drafting a vision for 2026
- Highlighting delivery mechanisms



# A framework for Green Infrastructure






# Where are we going?

## **Developing an action plan**

- Capacity building, awareness raising, education
- Physical improvements
- Asset management

**A draft document for consultation is due to be created by  
January 2014**





Thank you for listening  
Any questions?