

# THE RIGHT TO GROW

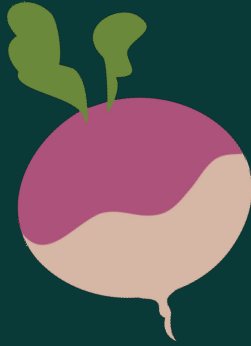
An abundant future where communities are trusted to grow nutritious food together, on shared public land

# **INSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGES TO COMMUNITY GROWING**



- **LIMITED LAND ACCESS**
- **FRAGMENTED COUNCIL POLICIES  
& AMBIGUOUS RESPONSIBILITY**
- **LOW PRIORITISATION OF  
COMMUNITY GROWING**
- **DISCONNECT OF COMMUNITY  
GROWING FROM AUTHORITIES'  
WIDER FOOD AND CLIMATE  
POLICIES**

# WHAT IS THE RIGHT TO GROW?



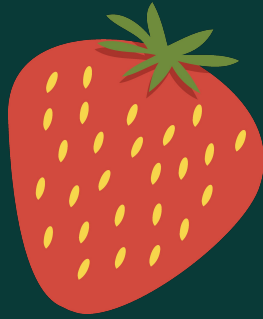
- **ACCESSIBLE LISTS/MAPS OF PUBLIC LAND**
- **REPLACING 'PERMISSION' WITH RIGHTS-BASED APPROACH**
- **UNCOMPLICATED, FREE LEASES FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS**
- **AUTHORITIES PRIORITISE COMMUNITY GROWING AND BUILD TRUST BETWEEN CITIZEN AND STATE**

# WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?



- **WE COULD GROW 40% OF OUR FRUIT AND VEG**
- **MORE ACCESS TO FRESH FOOD = BETTER HEALTH OUTCOMES AND REDUCED COST ON HEALTH SERVICES**
- **REDUCED RELIANCE ON HIGH-CARBON FOOD IMPORTS**
- **REDUCING URBAN HEAT-SPOTS AND CREATING SPACE FOR WILDLIFE**

# WHY A LOCAL RIGHT TO GROW?



- PERMISSION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE;  
RIGHTS FUTURE-PROOF COMMUNITY  
GROWING
- REDUCING BUREAUCRACY PAVES THE  
WAY FOR MORE COMMUNITY GROWING
- LOCAL POLICIES FOR SOME CAN LEAD  
TO NATIONAL POLICIES FOR ALL