

Our Vision 2025-2030



Who we are

Founded in 1965, the Leeds Civic Trust is an independent voluntary, non-political body, open to anyone who wants to participate in and influence the development of Leeds, its amenities and its heritage.



Our values

We are proud of our city

Leeds Civic Trust is proud of our city and takes inspiration from its achievements. We celebrate and promote the best of Leeds and its people.

We influence the development of our city

Leeds Civic Trust exists to stimulate, inform and lead debate discussion and action on issues affecting the development of our city. We aim to be both agenda-influencing and agenda-setting in the areas in which we work.

We work with others

Leeds Civic Trust is open to all, and we work with others to achieve our aims. These are informed and co-developed with individuals and organisations who look to make Leeds a better place for everyone.

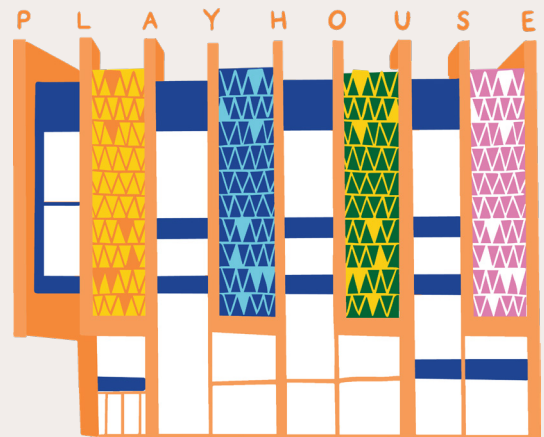


Our Ambitions

1. Developing Leeds

We are committed to fostering the highest standards of sustainable urban design, architecture and landscape throughout the whole of the city.

We advocate innovative design, climate friendly development, infrastructure and facilities, ensuring a balanced approach to the city's commercial, residential and social needs. We consider placemaking and masterplanning to be the key building blocks of sustainable development.



2. Moving around Leeds

We aim to improve travel within, to and from Leeds, ensuring people can easily access a wide range of employment, leisure and educational opportunities.

We champion sustainable transport solutions that enable people and organisations to be productive whilst enhancing the built and natural environment, enabling people to lead healthy lives and allowing the city to meet its environmental obligations.

3. Greening Leeds

We promote high-quality public spaces and enlivened waterways.

We aim to identify and lobby for new public open spaces. We prioritise active travel and support efforts to further develop the river, canal and becks as focal points for green corridors.



4. Celebrating Leeds

We celebrate the city's rich history by learning from, preserving, and interpreting its physical and social heritage while creating legacies for future generations.

We aim to uncover and share the stories of Leeds's people, challenge historical assumptions, and consider the long-term impact of what we are doing today. We will focus on preserving the historic built environment and identifying tomorrow's heritage.



Opportunities for change



Leeds Civic Trust seeks to make a meaningful impact across the city. To achieve this, we aim to become:

More Representative

We will take action to ensure our members, supporters, and partners better reflect the diverse demographic makeup of Leeds. New approaches will be explored to involve the people of Leeds more actively in our work and decision-making processes.

More visible

We will communicate more effectively with people, decision-makers and key organisations across the city. By clearly articulating our priorities, activities, and achievements, we will ensure greater awareness of our work and impact.

More influential

We will strengthen our relationships with key individuals and organisations to maximise our influence. This includes reviewing our connections and finding the right balance between collaboration and constructive challenge to amplify our impact.

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