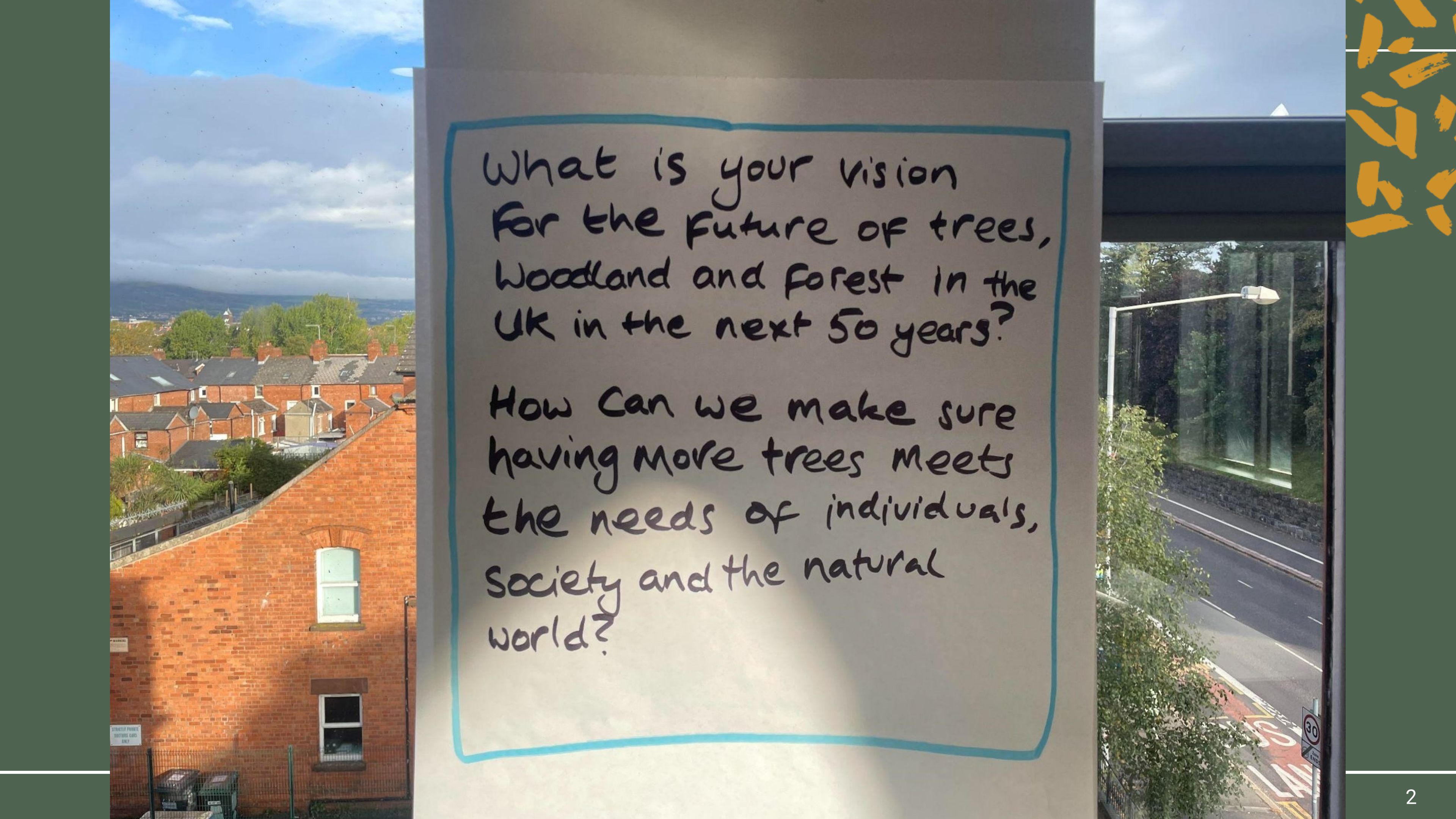


# Our Future Treescapes







What is your vision  
for the future of trees,  
Woodland and forest in the  
UK in the next 50 years?

How can we make sure  
having more trees meets  
the needs of individuals,  
society and the natural  
world?





# Project Objectives

## Objective 1

To hold inclusive dialogues between a cross-section of public with Treescapes researchers, policy makers and interested parties about the **opportunities and challenges** for treescape expansion

## Objective 3

To explore public understanding of the role of **different actors** to deliver treescape expansion

## Objective 2

To explore public understanding of **trade offs and safeguards** associated with tree planting

## Objective 4

To **disseminate the findings** and the methodology of the dialogues with a wide range of interested parties



## Locations

1. Belfast
2. Bannau Brycheiniog
3. Manchester
4. Tweed Valley





## National Advisory Group

1. Belfast City Council
2. DEFRA
3. Scottish Forestry
4. NERC
5. NFU
6. Ethnic Minority Environmental Network
7. Disability Rights UK
8. Imperial College London
9. South of Scotland Enterprise
10. National Resource Wales
11. Greater Manchester Combined Authority
12. RSPB
13. Tree Council
14. Forestry Commission
15. Arts and Humanities Research Council

## Local Stewarding Group

1. Belfast City Council
2. Belfast Hills Partnership
3. Eastside Greenways
4. QUB Centre for Public Health
5. Woodland Trust
6. DAERA
7. Belfast Metropolitan Residents Association









# Emerging themes

## Planning

- Longer term thinking
- The right tree in the right place
- Pockets of green
- Flood protection

## Stewardship

- Everyone is a custodian
- Trees for food
- Involving communities
- Protecting trees

## Education

- important role for schools

## Wellbeing

- Medical value of trees
- Clean air
- Beauty
- Spaces to 'switch off'

## Biodiversity

- Habitat and shelter
- Variety of trees
- Complementary species
- Tree communities

## Decision making

- Accountability
- Equity of access
- False dichotomy: trees vs jobs





## Next Steps

1. Second Local dialogue: Saturday 16 November, Girdwood Community Hub
2. Second National Dialogue: Saturday 7 December
3. Report and infographic published February 2025
4. Policy Workshop March 2025



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