



Floating Garden

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The Floating Garden is Global Generation's newest community space. It's a wide beam barge that has made its home on the Regent's Canal in the heart of the King's Cross estate, moments from Granary Square.

Global Generation

We grow food, people and community for a just world

Founded in 2004, we are an environmental education charity that connects people to nature in the middle of the city.

We have been co-creating gardens with the local community on the King's Cross Estate since 2009, starting with our first Skip Garden, showcasing how disused urban spaces can become an oasis for plants and people to grow. What started as an experiment on temporary land, has grown into 4 moveable community gardens on the development site, each bigger and more ambitious than the previous one. We now have 3 spaces in King's Cross, 2 of which are permanent and we support a further 40 gardens on the public realm, in local schools and estates.

In our gardens, local residents of all ages and employees come together to learn, grow, cook and eat. Our outreach is focused on connecting with local communities, specifically those from underrepresented groups.

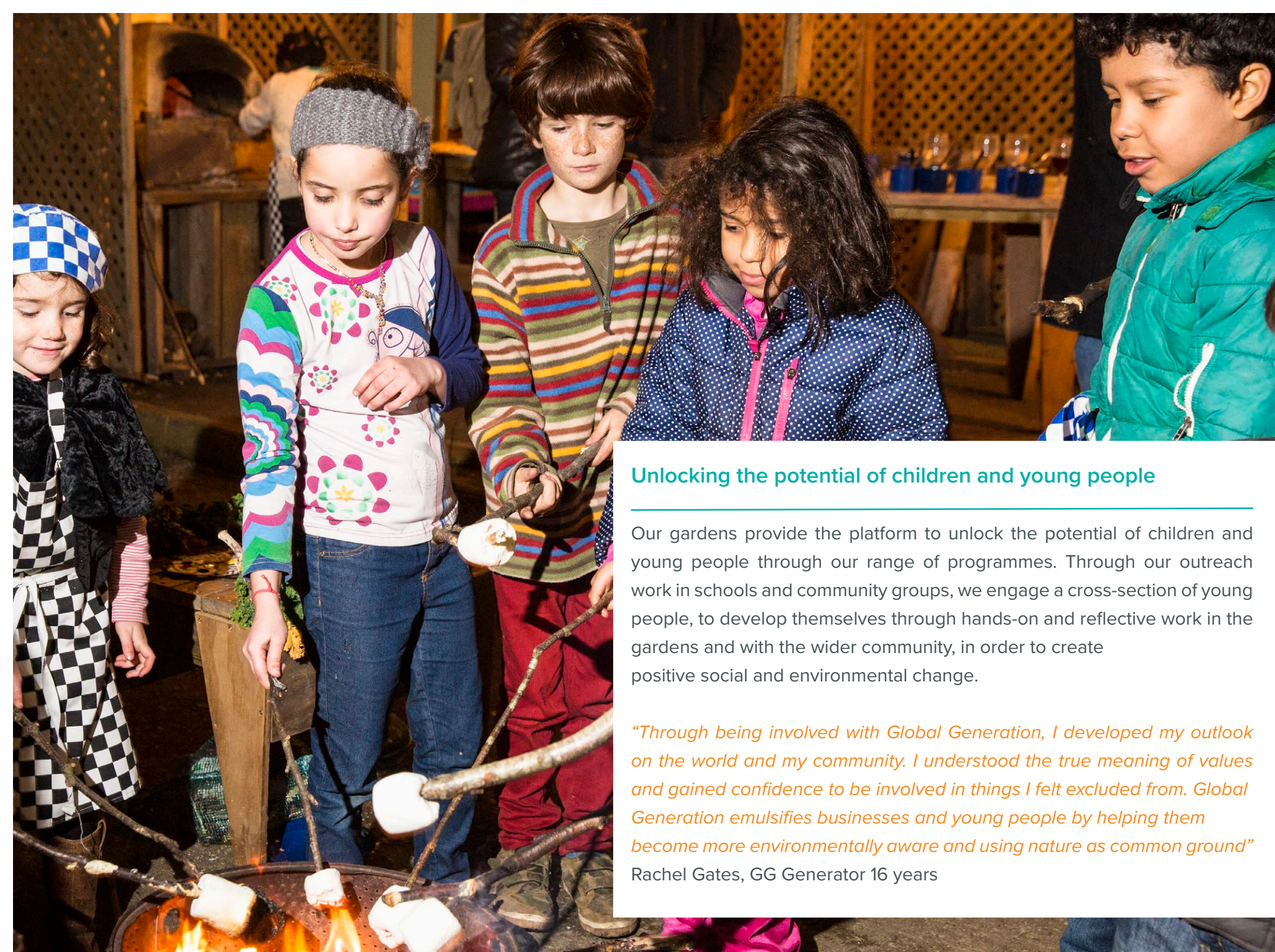
“All I remember is arriving at the skip garden and being met by a porter-cabin full of construction workers. I remember that I was so cynical and unmotivated. I didn't say a word. It wasn't until the values cards were introduced and we had to explain them to each other... wow! This guy was deep. I got the chance to look behind the disguises of a construction site and realise that someone like me could talk to someone like him. We were somewhat alike. It was time to break the barrier.” Lilienne Isebor 16 years



Over 40,000 people have visited our gardens since 2009

3,000 local people a year take part in activities in our gardens

We engage all local primary and secondary schools

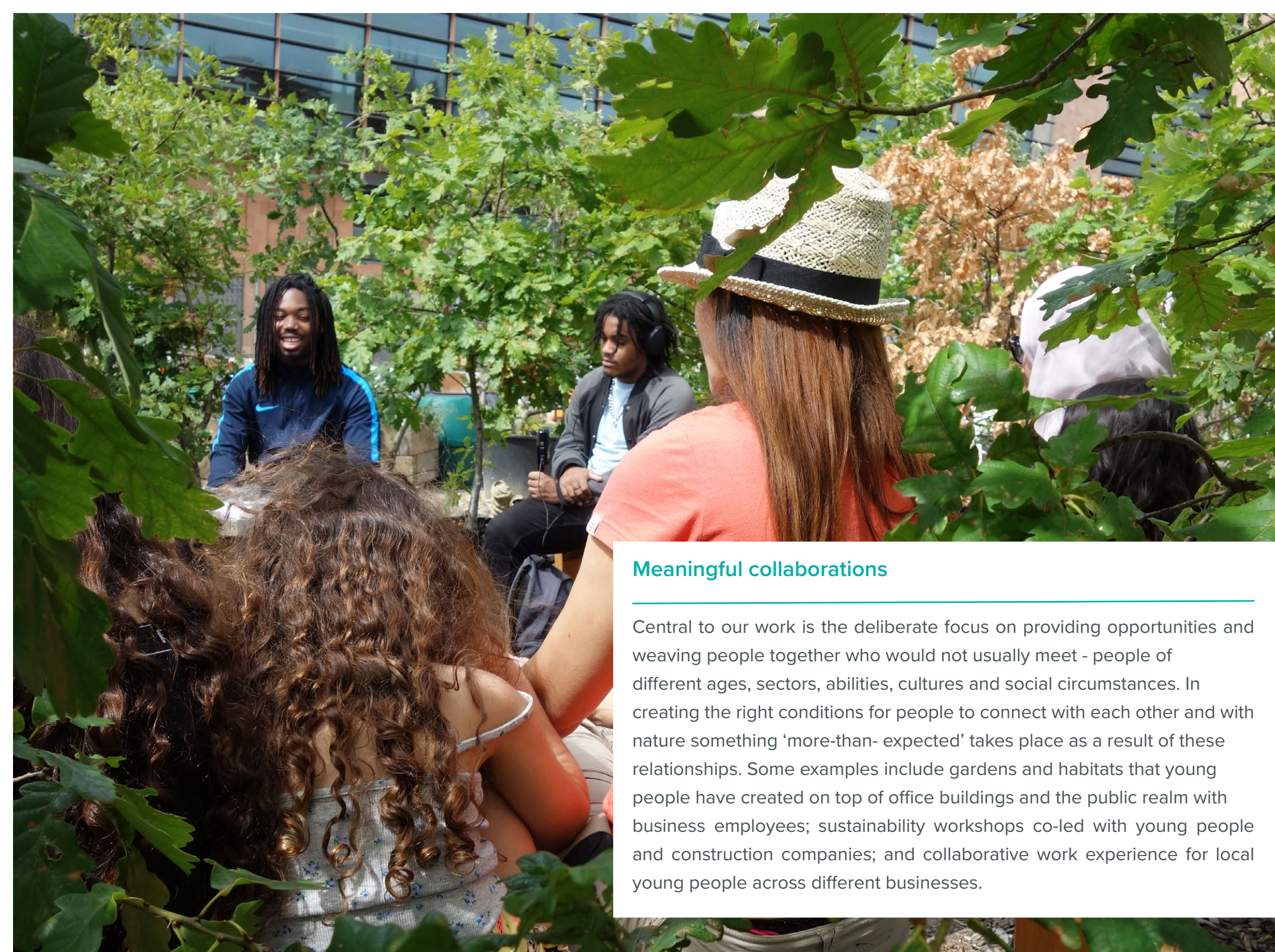


Unlocking the potential of children and young people

Our gardens provide the platform to unlock the potential of children and young people through our range of programmes. Through our outreach work in schools and community groups, we engage a cross-section of young people, to develop themselves through hands-on and reflective work in the gardens and with the wider community, in order to create positive social and environmental change.

“Through being involved with Global Generation, I developed my outlook on the world and my community. I understood the true meaning of values and gained confidence to be involved in things I felt excluded from. Global Generation emulsifies businesses and young people by helping them become more environmentally aware and using nature as common ground”

Rachel Gates, GG Generator 16 years



Meaningful collaborations

Central to our work is the deliberate focus on providing opportunities and weaving people together who would not usually meet - people of different ages, sectors, abilities, cultures and social circumstances. In creating the right conditions for people to connect with each other and with nature something 'more-than- expected' takes place as a result of these relationships. Some examples include gardens and habitats that young people have created on top of office buildings and the public realm with business employees; sustainability workshops co-led with young people and construction companies; and collaborative work experience for local young people across different businesses.

Co-creation of Floating Garden

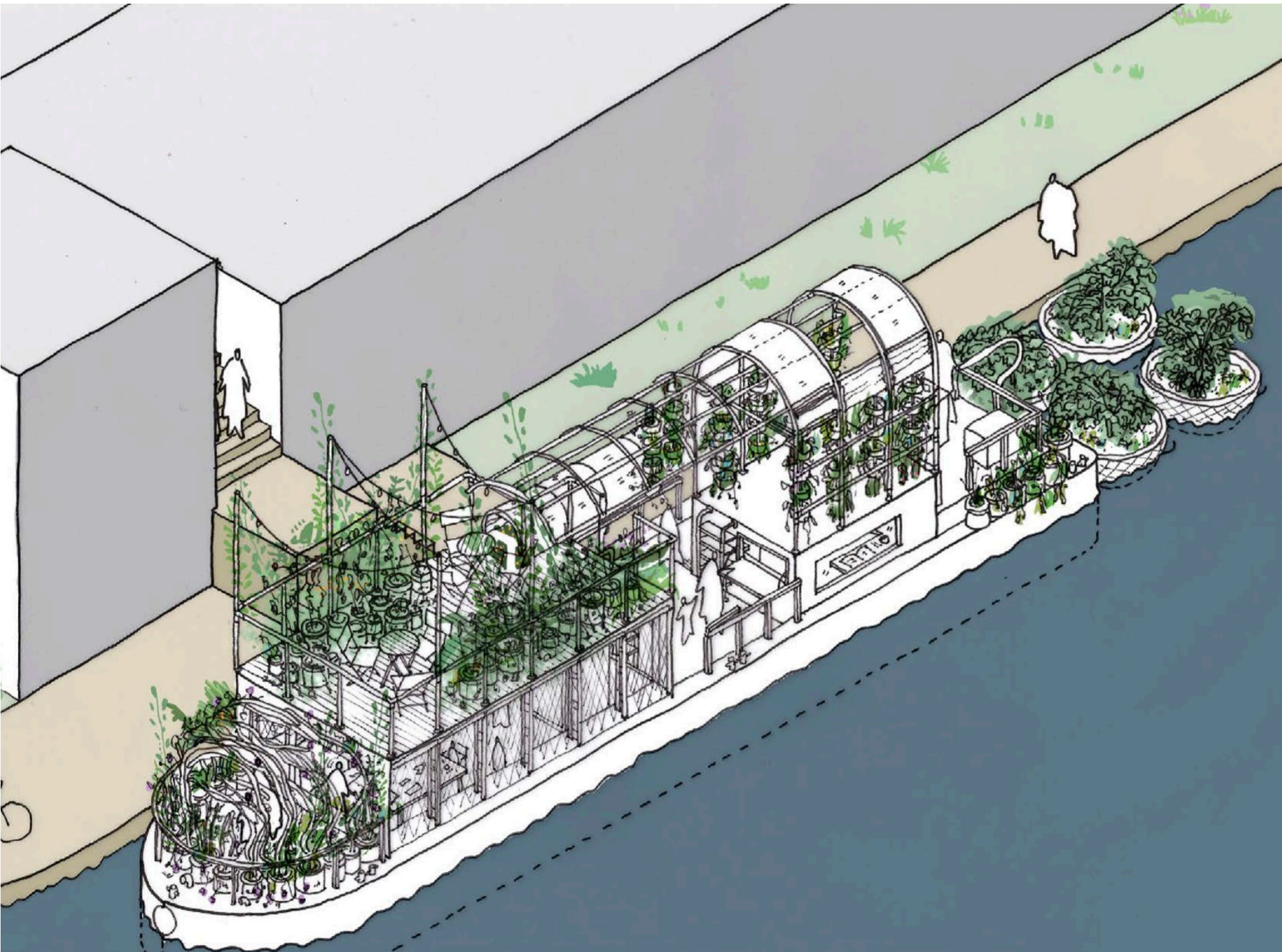
The Floating Garden has arrived in King's Cross!

Working with Argent, and with a 20 year lease for our place on the Regent's Canal, the Floating Classroom aims to create a new destination for learning and experiencing the natural world, with a large classroom that can host up to 15 people and 4 garden 'decks', two of which are on the roofs of the cabins and offer beautiful views across the canal.

Local young people led on the design of the barge and will be co-building the garden on the barge over the summer and autumn months.

Our concept is to create a garden that will be an outdoor learning space for local young people, families and business employees, a space to relax and to connect closely with nature. We will provide opportunities for hands-on, innovative learning, focusing on water and sustainability, discovering wildlife and increasing wellbeing.





Early concept sketch of the floating garden

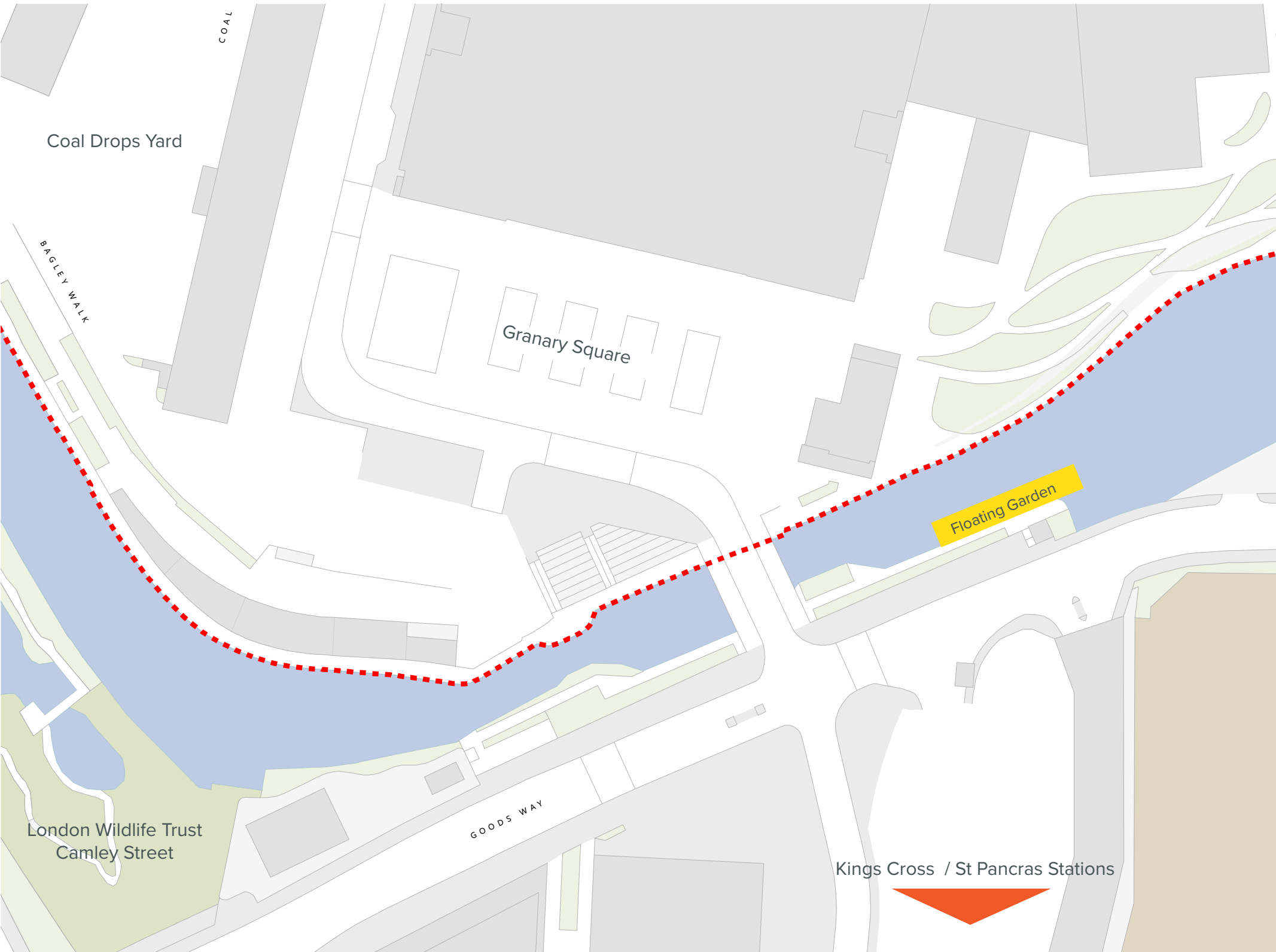


Barge Club

We are looking for Barge Club founding members to help us establish and run the Floating Garden as a community space, for those living and working in the area. As a Barge Club member, you will contribute towards the creation of this new local innovative educational space and towards the programme of activities run from and around the barge.

Benefits of being a Barge Club member

- Contribute to a local initiative benefiting local children, young people and the most deprived families
- Connect with the local community
- Deliver on ESG goals
- Look after the wellbeing of staff
- Access a space of peace and tranquillity
- Collaborative PR opportunities to raise brand profile, especially around ESG goals and wellbeing targets



Coal Drops Yard

COAL

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Floating Garden

London Wildlife Trust
Camley Street

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Kings Cross / St Pancras Stations



How to find us

How it works

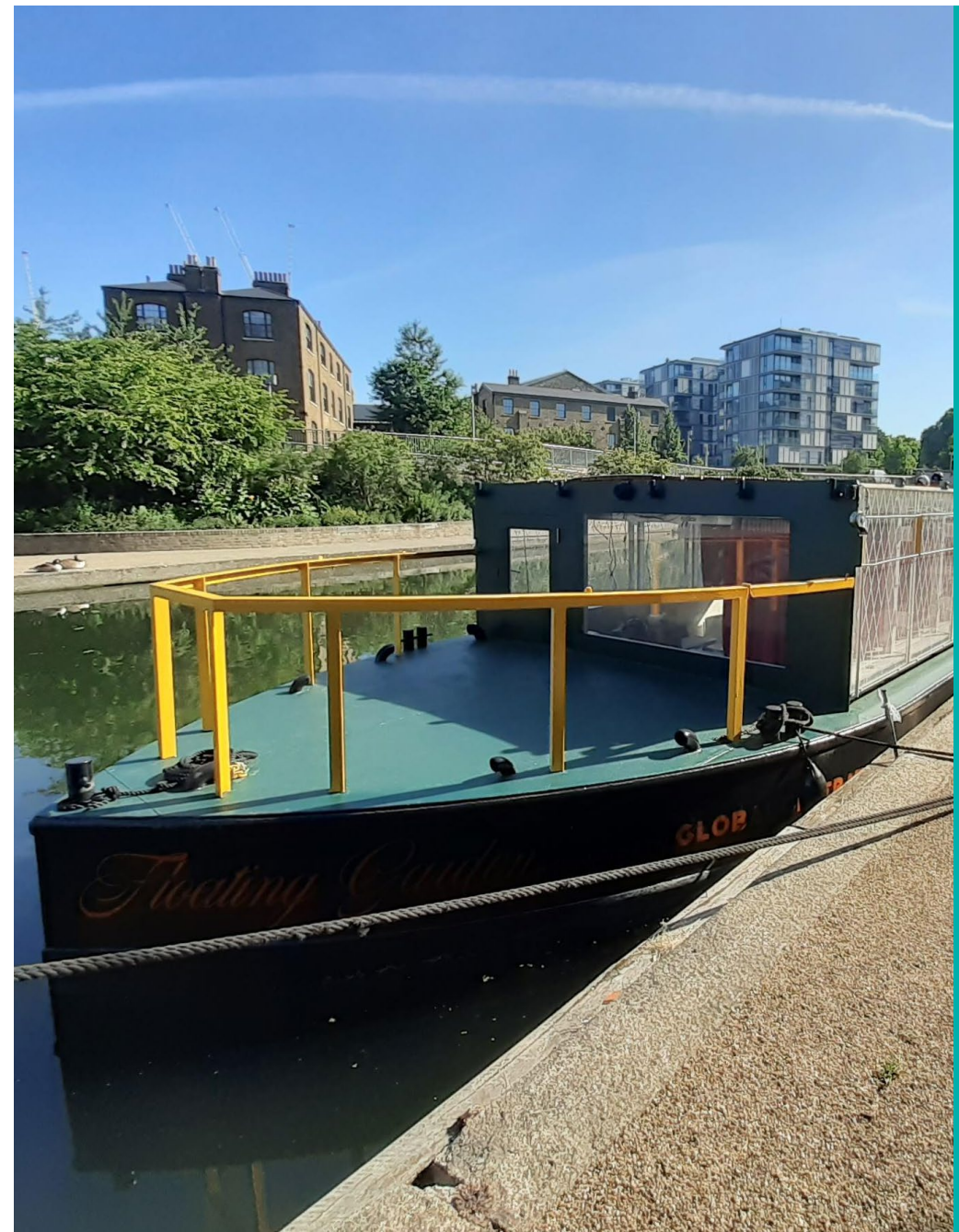
We need to raise £60,000 each year to be able to run the Floating Garden.

Become a Founding Member

We are looking for one more Barge Club Founding Member to contribute £15K a year, to join our 3 existing Founding Members - Argent, The Office Group and Phoenix Court.

What you get

- A genuine way to meet ESG objectives
- 1 day of team, away-day volunteering for a maximum of 20 people
- Lunchtime or Twilight Gardening on the barge once a month
- Access to the barge's indoor and outdoor spaces 4 times a year for own meetings
- Logo on our website and access to our logo, joined comms
- Invitation to two yearly celebration events
- Opportunities to work collaboratively with local young people
- Access to 1 workshop a year on values based urban greening
- Updates through written pieces, photography and film on how your support has helped



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