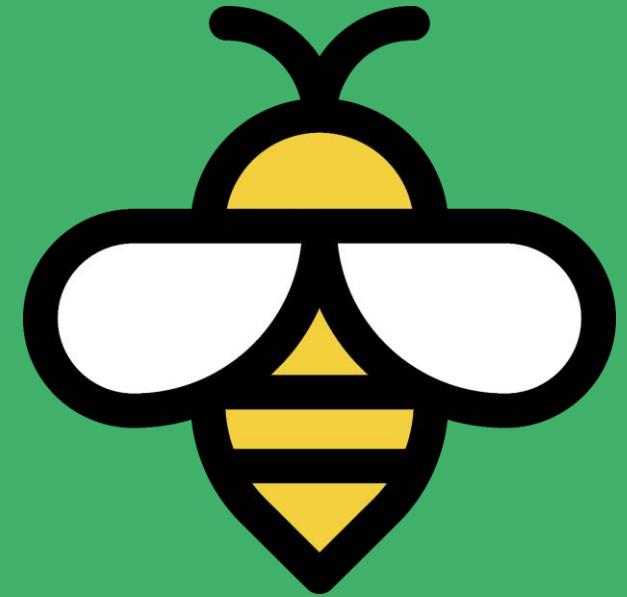


Pollinator conservation and Pollinator Highway in Tallinn



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Pollinator facts: Estonia & Tallinn

	Butterflies	Bumblebees	Solitary bees
Total number of species	102 – Estonia 72 – Tallinn	27 – Estonia 24 – Tallinn	ab 250 – Estonia ab 100 – Tallinn
Habitats	7 – Estonia	0	0
Directive species	3 – Tallinn		
Nationally protected species	7 – Estonia 3 – Tallinn	17 – Estonia 16 – Tallinn	0
National Red List species	16 – Estonia 6 – Tallinn	5 – Estonia 4 – Tallinn	76 – Estonia ab 6 – Tallinn

Studied Tallinn green areas have 2x more bumblebee species ($18,1 \pm 3,3$) than rural natural areas ($8,8 \pm 3,4$) in Estonia

What is a "good pollinator area" in Tallinn?

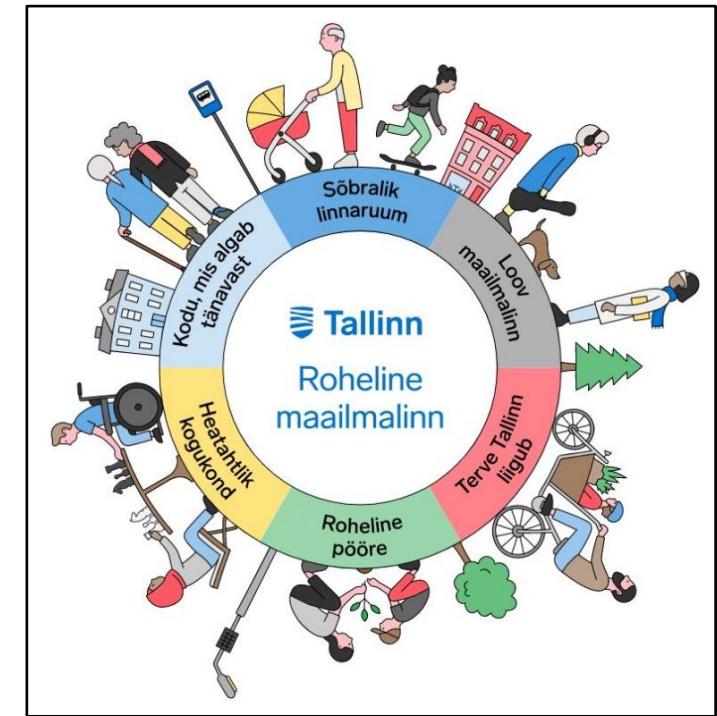
- ✓ 10+ species of bumblebees
- ✓ 20+ species of butterflies

Findings from historical and connectivity analysis:

- ✓ Bumblebees enjoy living in Tallinn!
- ✓ Butterfly richness has increased compared with 20th century
- ✓ Tallinn serves as a stronghold for some Red List species in Estonia

Pollinators in strategic documents

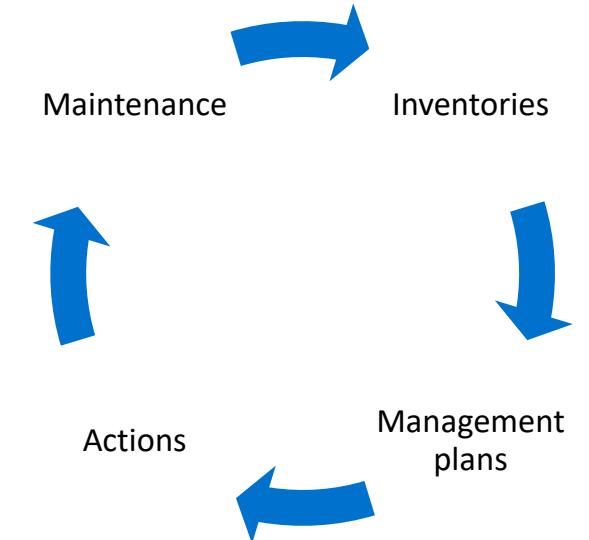
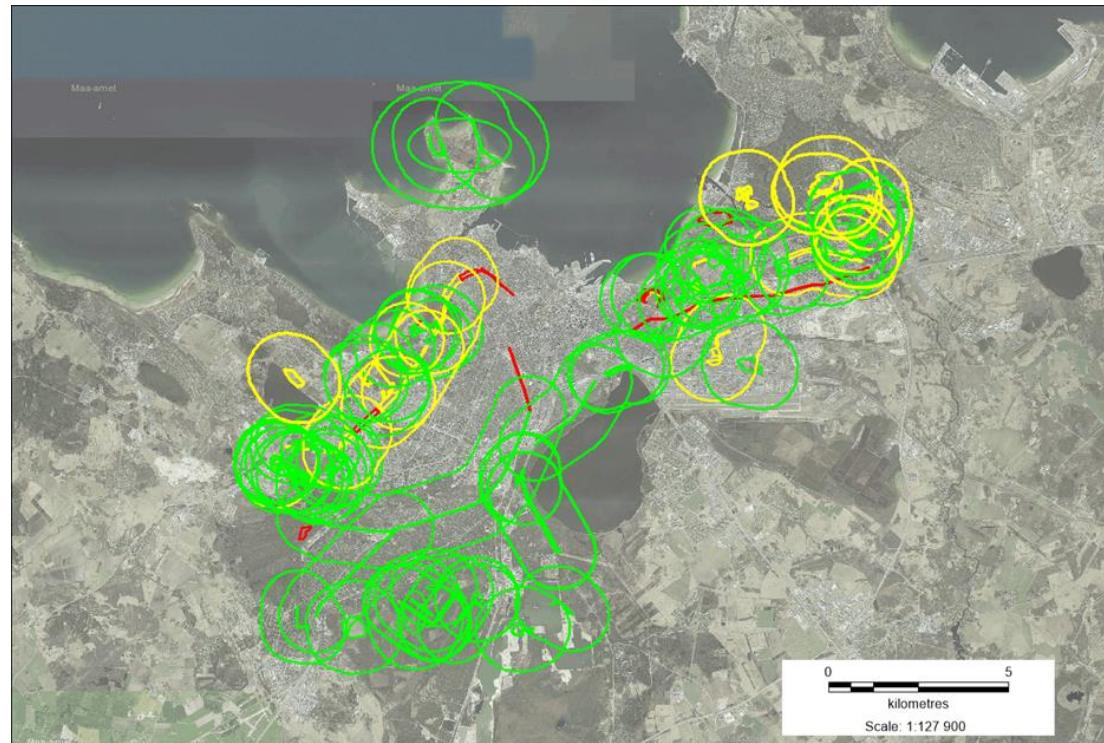
- Estonia: no national pollinator strategy yet (due in 2024)
- Tallinn:
 - No pollinator strategy
 - Pollinators will be part of Tallinn Environment Action Plan 2023-35 (in prep.)
 - Status of bumblebees & butterflies is one of the biodiversity indicators of "Tallinn 2035 Development Strategy"



[Tallinn 2035 Development Strategy](#)

Tallinn's approach to pollinators (1)

- Inventories of potential habitats (2019-2022)
- Connectivity analysis & habitat mngt actions (2022)

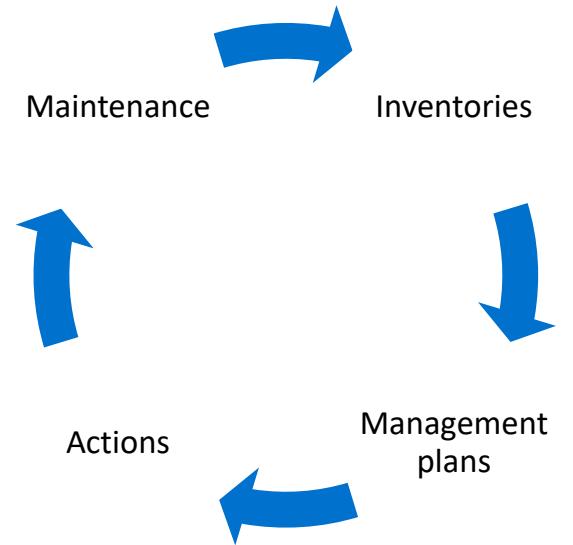


*Connectedness of pollinator habitats
and corridors inside Tallinn*

Tallinn's approach to pollinators (2)

2023+ actions & maintenance

- Gradual meadow restoration (felling+mowing)
- New local nature conservation areas (200 ha in prep.)
- Good regular maintenance
- Landscaping of Pollinator Highway ([Putukaväil](#))
- Tallinn - Green Capital 2023 activities



Pollinator actions and Green Capital 2023

- Community activities with citizens: meadow & bog restoration around Tallinn
- Lawn enhancement in parks: sowing wildflower patches
- Planting food forests around Tallinn
- Promotion of pollinator friendly plant catalogue: <http://haljastus.tallinn.ee>
- Implementing Pollinator Highway 2023-2024



<https://greentallinn.eu/en/>

Challenges

- Pollinator areas (100 ha) are deteriorating fast and need urgent management action
- Lack of personnel – so MUCH to do!
- Lack of machinery to cut **AND** collect the hay

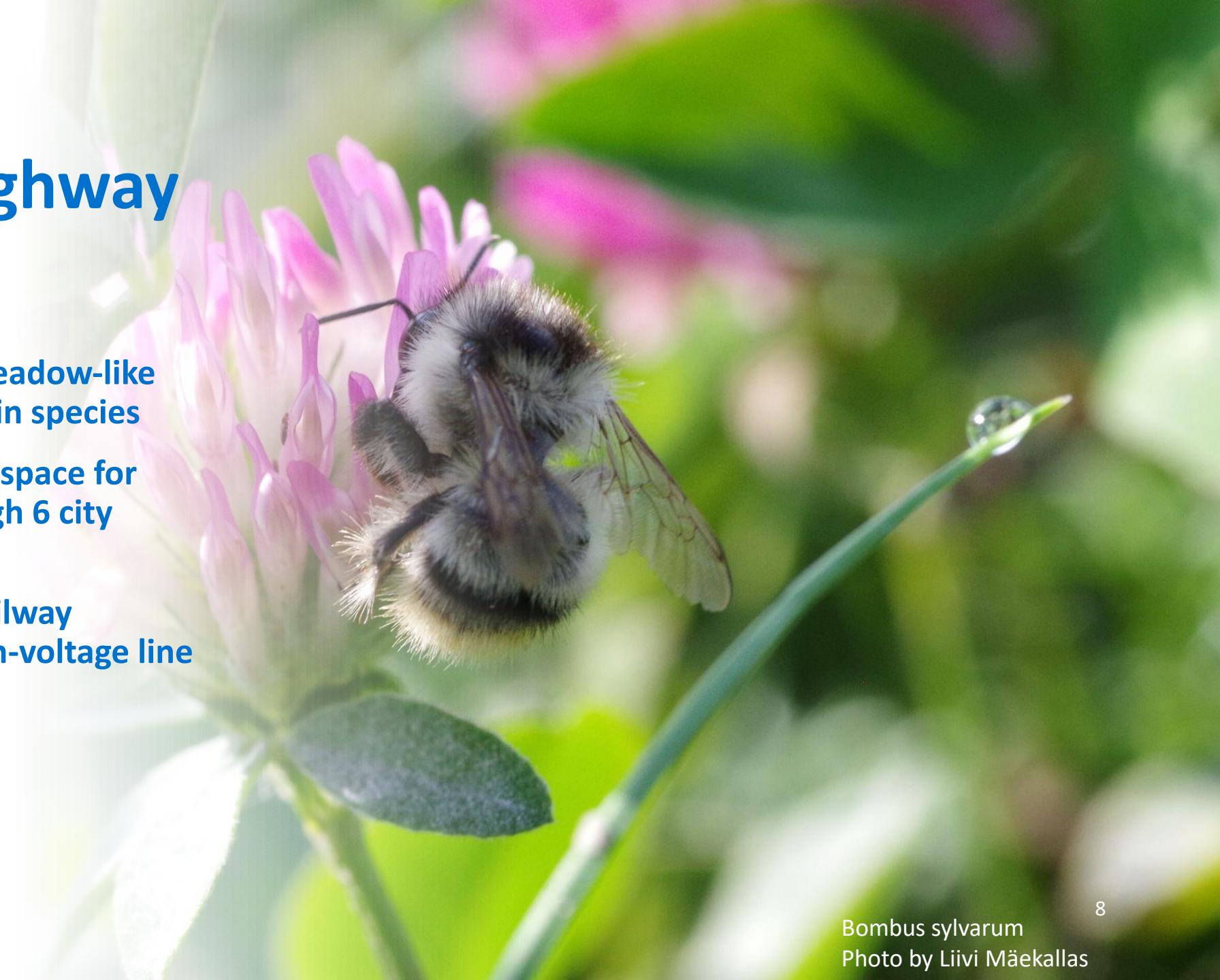


Coastal meadow restoration
Photo by M. Uustal

Pollinator Highway

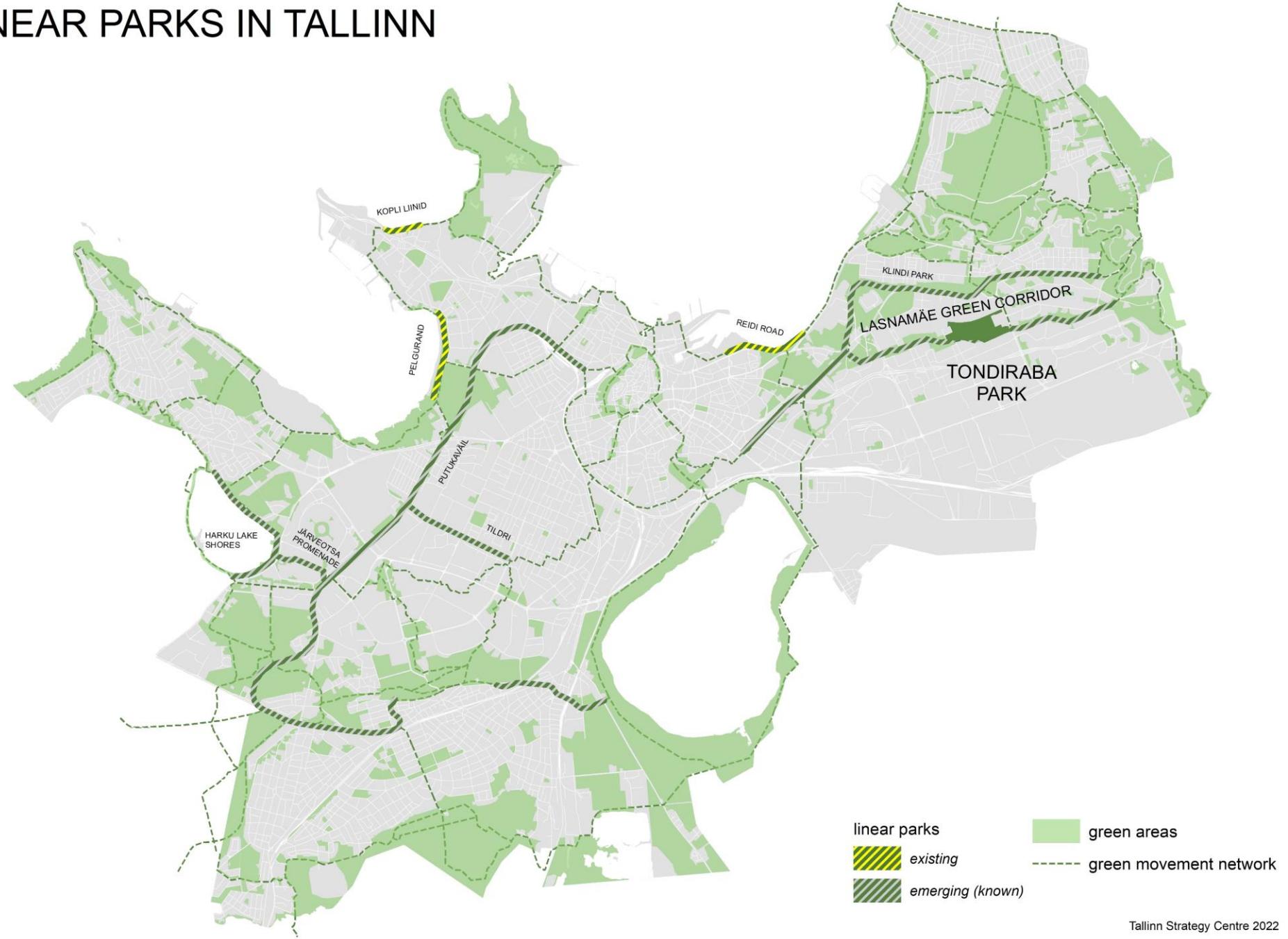
Pollinator Highway is a meadow-like natural environment rich in species

- a green corridor and a space for people to move through 6 city districts
- runs along a former railway embankment and high-voltage line corridor
- 13,5 km long!

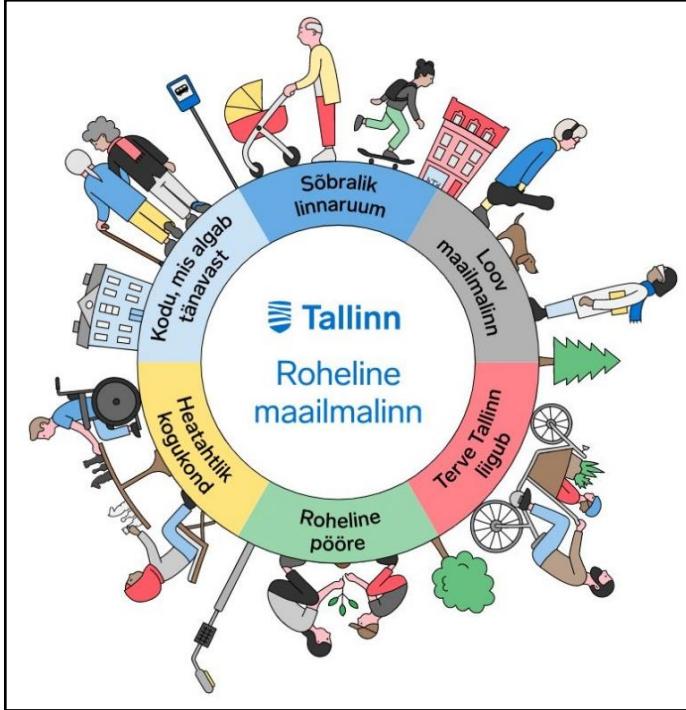


Bombus sylvarum
Photo by Liivi Mäekallas

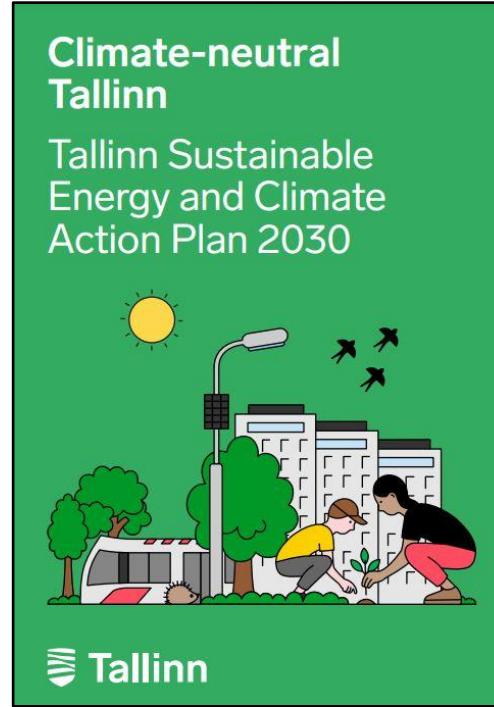
LINEAR PARKS IN TALLINN



Strategic documents



[Tallinn 2035 Development Strategy](#)

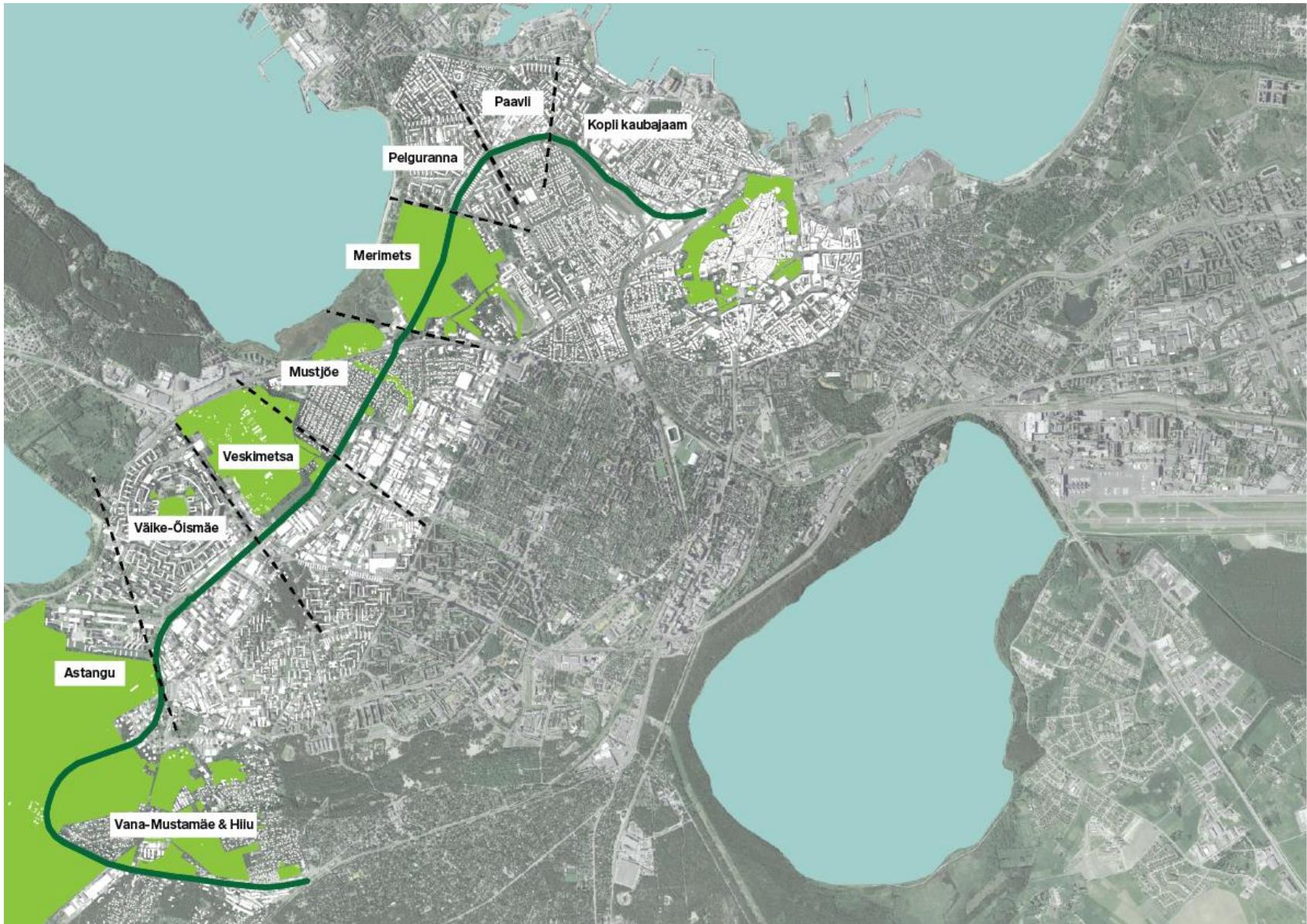


[Tallinn Climate Action Plan 2030](#)



[Tallinn Bicycle Strategy 2018-2027](#)

Pollinator Highway



Spatial sections

1- Kopli kaubajaam



2- Paavli



3- Pelguranna



4- Merimets



5- Mustjõe



6- Veskimetsa



7- Väike-Õismäe



8- Astangu

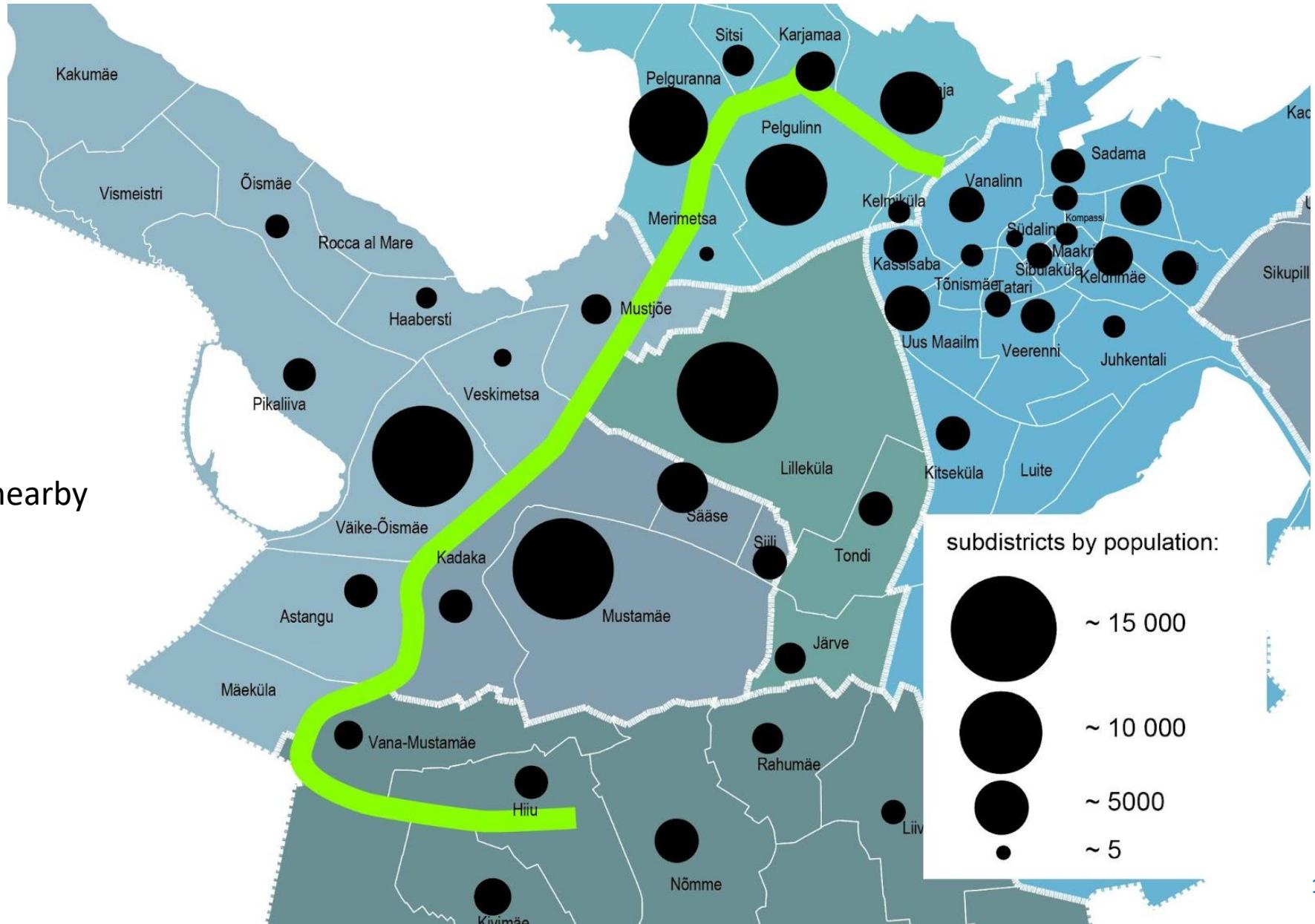


9- Vana-Mustamäe & Hiiu



Pollinator Highway

Around **21 900** residents live nearby



Two INTERREG projects



B.GREEN

Tallinn



State of pollinators

by
entomologists
from
University of Tartu



**Anthropological
research**
by
Center of Applied
Anthropology of
Estonia

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Co-creation with target groups

PARTICIPATORY ACTIVITIES:

- crowdsourcing (AvaLinn app, Maptionnaire), visiting nearby schools, kindergartens
- pop-up events on site



Landscape solutions for spatial sections

1- Kopli kaubajaam



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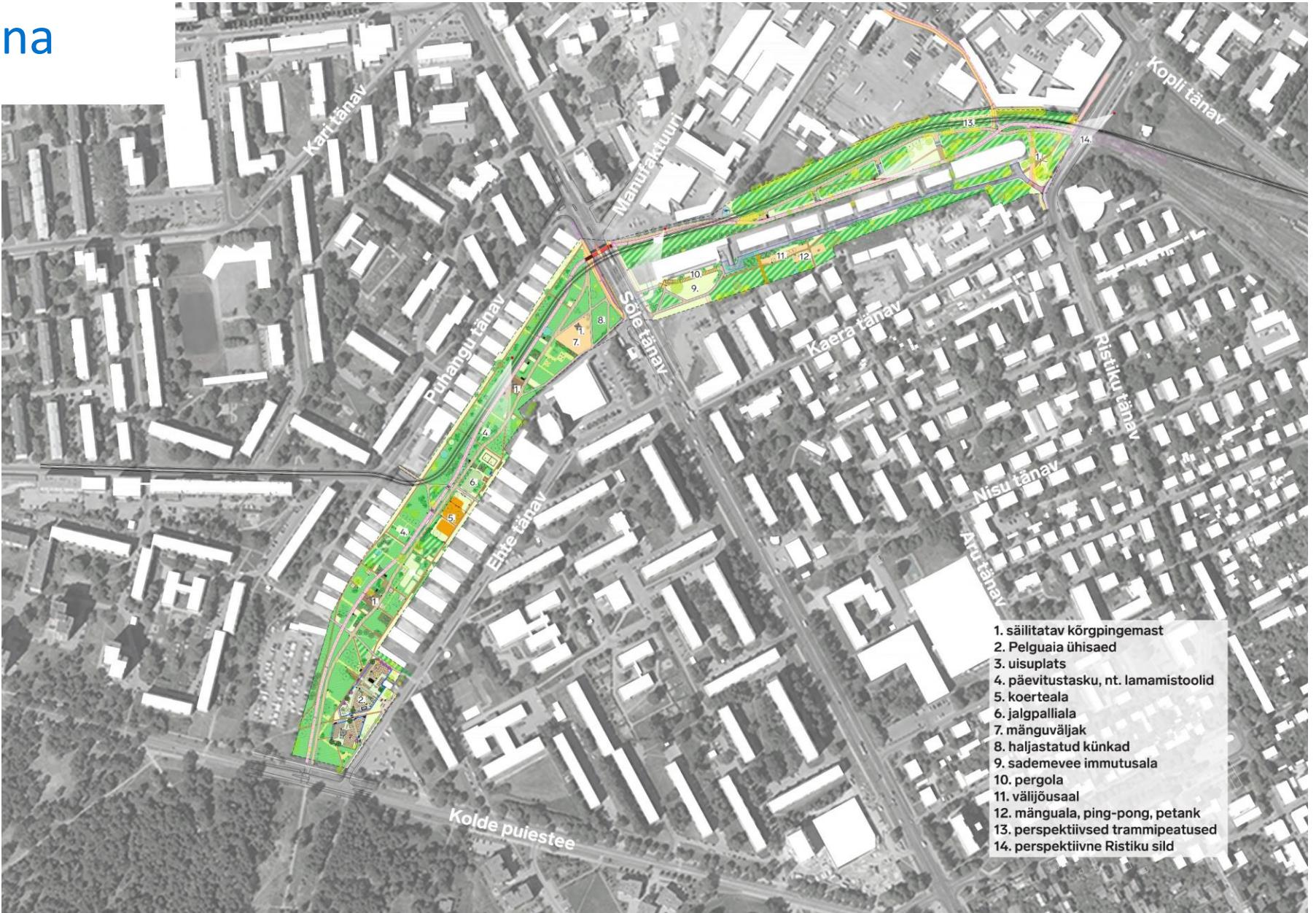


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Paavli – Pelguranna section

by KINO
landscape
architects and
K-Projekt

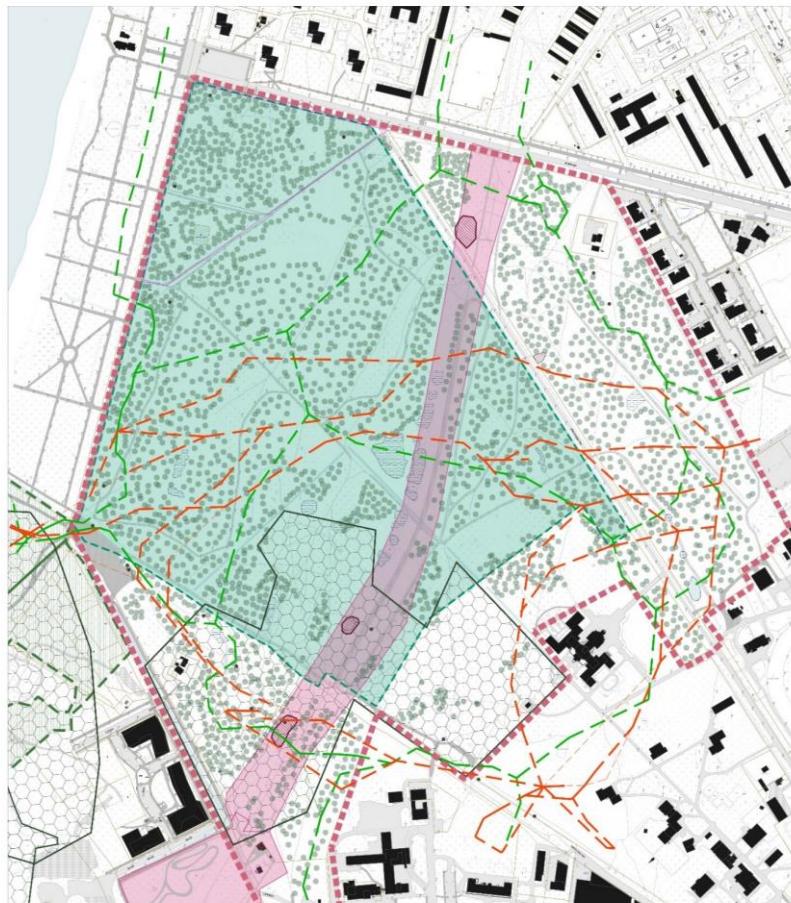






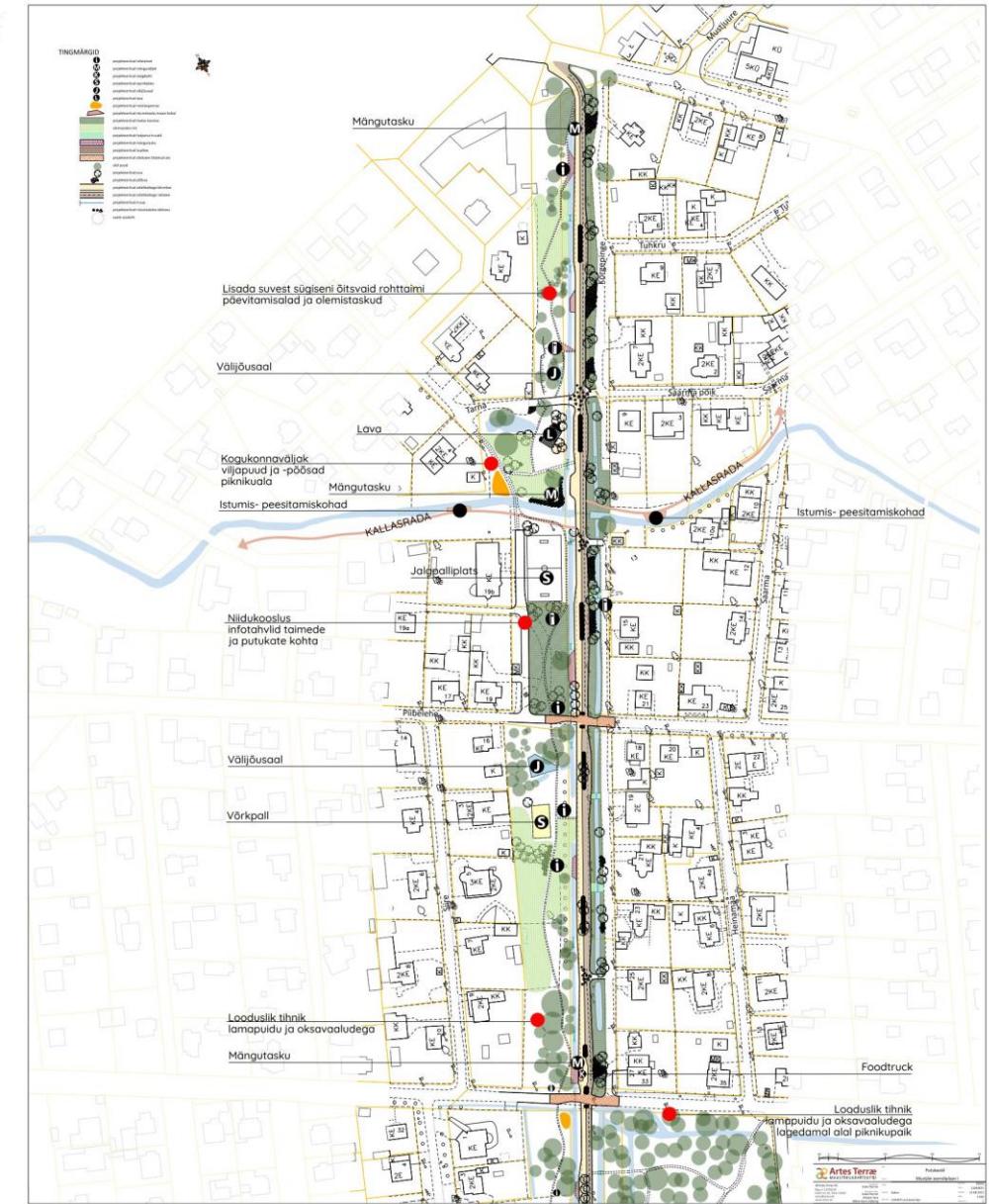
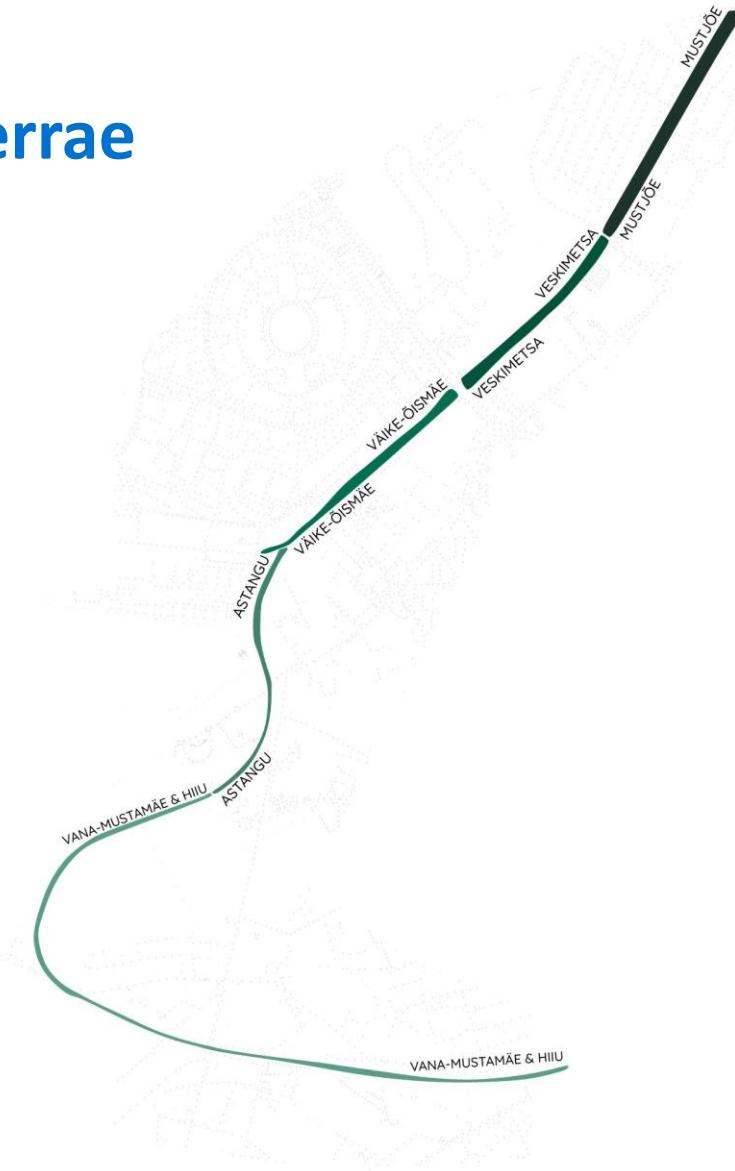


Merimetsa spatial section by SFÄÄR planeeringud





Mustjõe-Hiiu spatial section by AB Artes Terrae





Vaade Veskimetsa lõigu liikumislahendusele



Vaade Veskimetsa lõigu liikumislahendusele



Vaade Veskimetsa vaatetornile



Vaade Veskimetsa lõigu tegevustaskule



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Vaade eednuvale vaateplatvormile



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Vaade töstetud teele Astangu-Mäeküla kaitsealal



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Prototypes and Spatial Interventions



...

- Urban gardening
- Mowing less
- Bee borders
- Installation competition

"Place Buzz"



Allotment garden



By F+A Maastikuarhitektuur OÜ



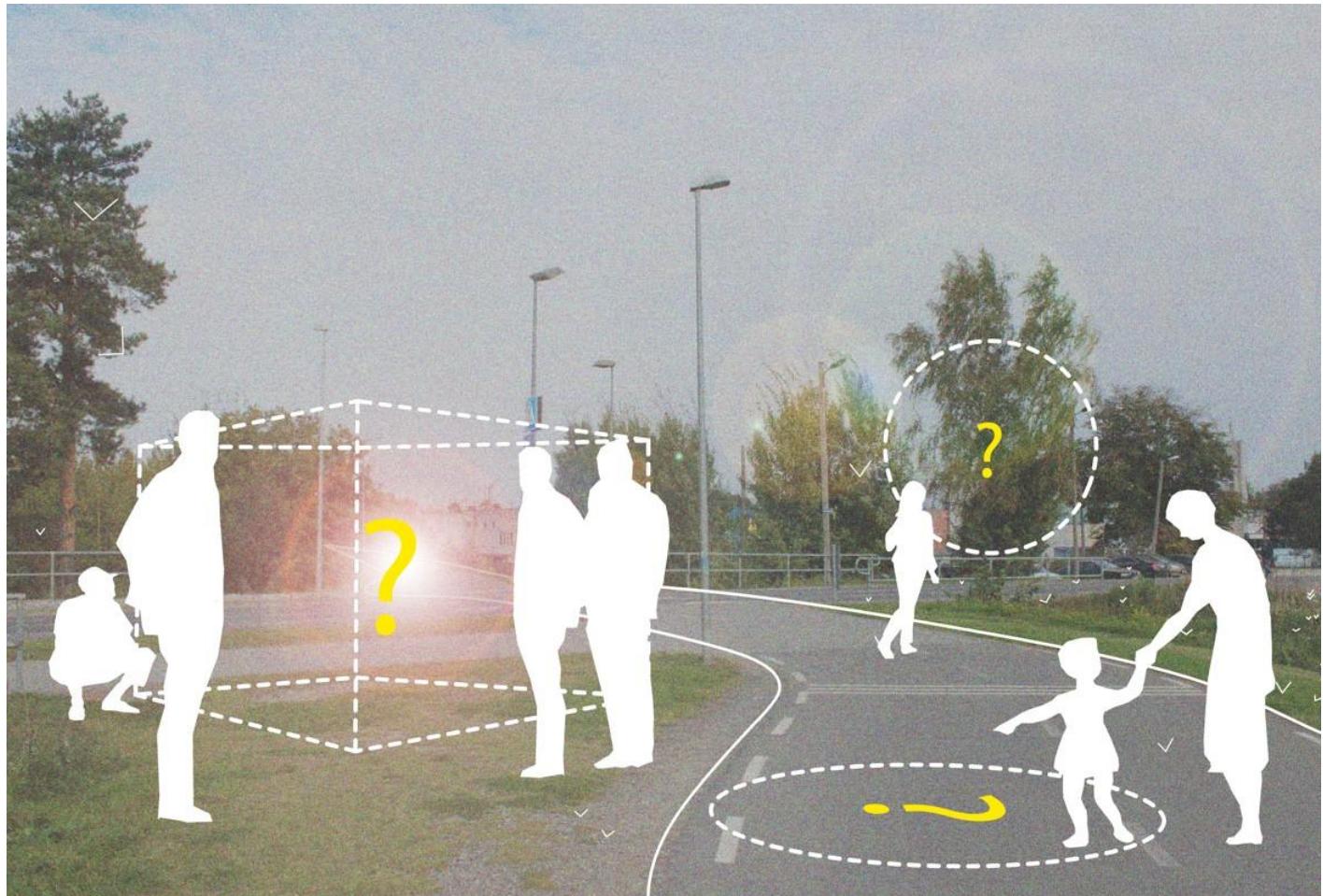
Pelguaed allotment garden



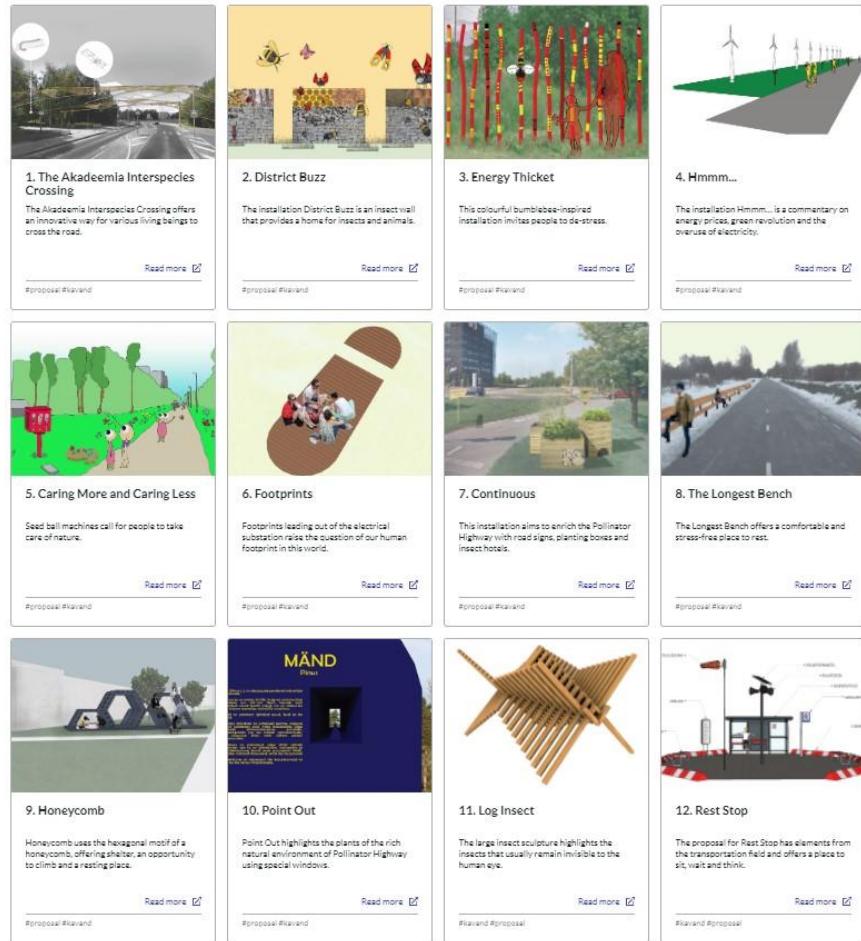


Installation competition ‘Place Buzz’

- 2021 Anthropological research
- Activating the more monotonous spatial sections
- Connecting and emphasizing different spatial sections
- Offering various leisure activities
 - **Site-specificity**
 - **Environmental consciousness (offering new habitats)**
 - **Community engagement**



- Artists, architects, urbanists, etc.
- 19 proposals submitted
- 2 winners selected by an international jury
- 1 winner selected through public vote via [Maptionnaire](#)
1,053 public votes

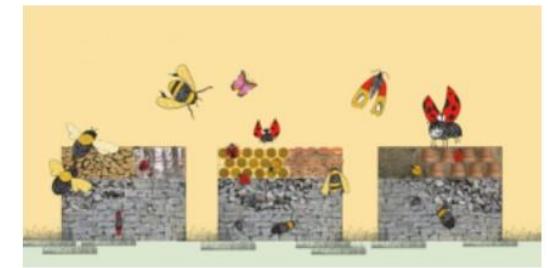


My favourite proposal is....

1. The Akadeemia Interspecies Crossing



2. District Buzz



3. Energy Thicket



English ▾

1 / 2



'Straw Chapel'

Arhitektibüroo Peil:

Eneli Kleemann, Katariina Mustasaar, Lill Volmer, Mia Martina Peil,
Marie Anette Veesaar



'Reed'

Triin Vallner, Ko Ai



'Interspecies Crossing'

Nabeel Imtiaz, Paulina Schroeder,
Augustas Lapinskas, Christian
Hörner (Urban Studies students /
Estonian Academy of Arts)



Bee Borders



Online catalogue for biodiversity-friendly plants



[Tagasi Tallinn.ee lehele](#)

Elurikka haljastuse kataloog

Siit kataloogist leiad ligi 900 taimet, mis sobivad nii haljasalale kui ka aeda. Lisaks kirjeldusele saab iga taimet kohta teada, kui värtuslik on ta toimeldajatele ja keda ta ligi mõelitab. [Loe kataloogist täpsemalt siit.](#) Head kasutamist!

Sisesta taimeliik

Otsingutulemus: 359 Tühjenda filtri

Taim tüüp	Kõrgusvahemik
Valige värtus	Valige värtus
Valgus	Kasvupiinas
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Väärtus toimeldajatele
Valige värtus



Jaapani vaher

Acer japonicum
Väärtus toimeldajatele: 2



Harilik vaher

Acer platanoides
Väärtus toimeldajatele: 3



Punane vaher

Acer rubrum
Väärtus toimeldajatele: 2



Tatari vaher

Acer tataricum
Väärtus toimeldajatele: 2



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Harilik imikas

Ladinakeelne taimenimi	<i>Anchusa officinalis</i>
Sordid	püsik
Taim tüüp	25..50 cm
Kõrgusvahemik	juuni, juuli, september
Öitsemise aeg	sinine
Öite värvis	kimalased, erakmesilased, oligolektilised erakmesilased
Toimeldajad	2
Väärtus toimeldajatele	päikeseline
Valgus	toitainevaene
Kasvupiinas	kuiva taluv, parasniske
Niiskus	aktsenttaim
Kompositsioon	tänav, park, aed
Kasutuskoht	looduslik
Päritolu	Istutustihedus tk/m ²
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Muud omadused	Lisainfo



Harilik raudrohi

Achillea millefolium
Väärtus toimeldajatele: 2



Südajas aktiniidia

Actinidia kolomikta
Väärtus toimeldajatele: 3



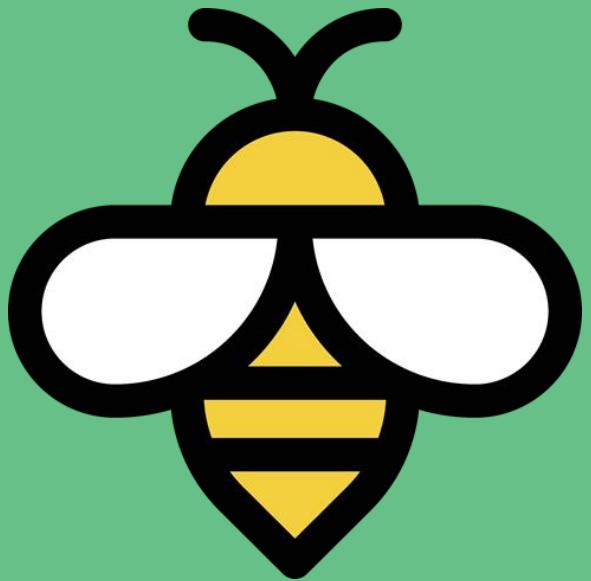
Kevadadooni

Adonis vernalis
Väärtus toimeldajatele: 2



Harilik naat

Aegopodium podagraria
Väärtus toimeldajatele: 2



Thank you!

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Pollinator Highway webpage
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