



# Fruitful Roundhay

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# Why fruit trees?

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- Many of the same benefits of woodland trees
- Can often be an entry point to food growing - easier than veg
- Free healthy food
- A climate action many people can do





# A fruitful city?

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- Orchard and fruit growing heritage
- Rhubarb Express and Triangle, and Makins
- 70+ community orchards
- 15-minute neighbourhoods





# A fruitful Roundhay?

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- Old maps show there were orchards in Roundhay
- New market garden being developed shows what's possible
- Many fruit trees in private gardens, but how well are they used?
- Room for many more





# Tree canopy cover percentage by ward, across the city of Leeds, 2019

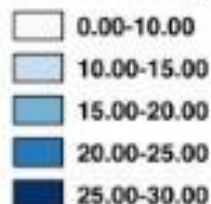


Average:  
**17%**

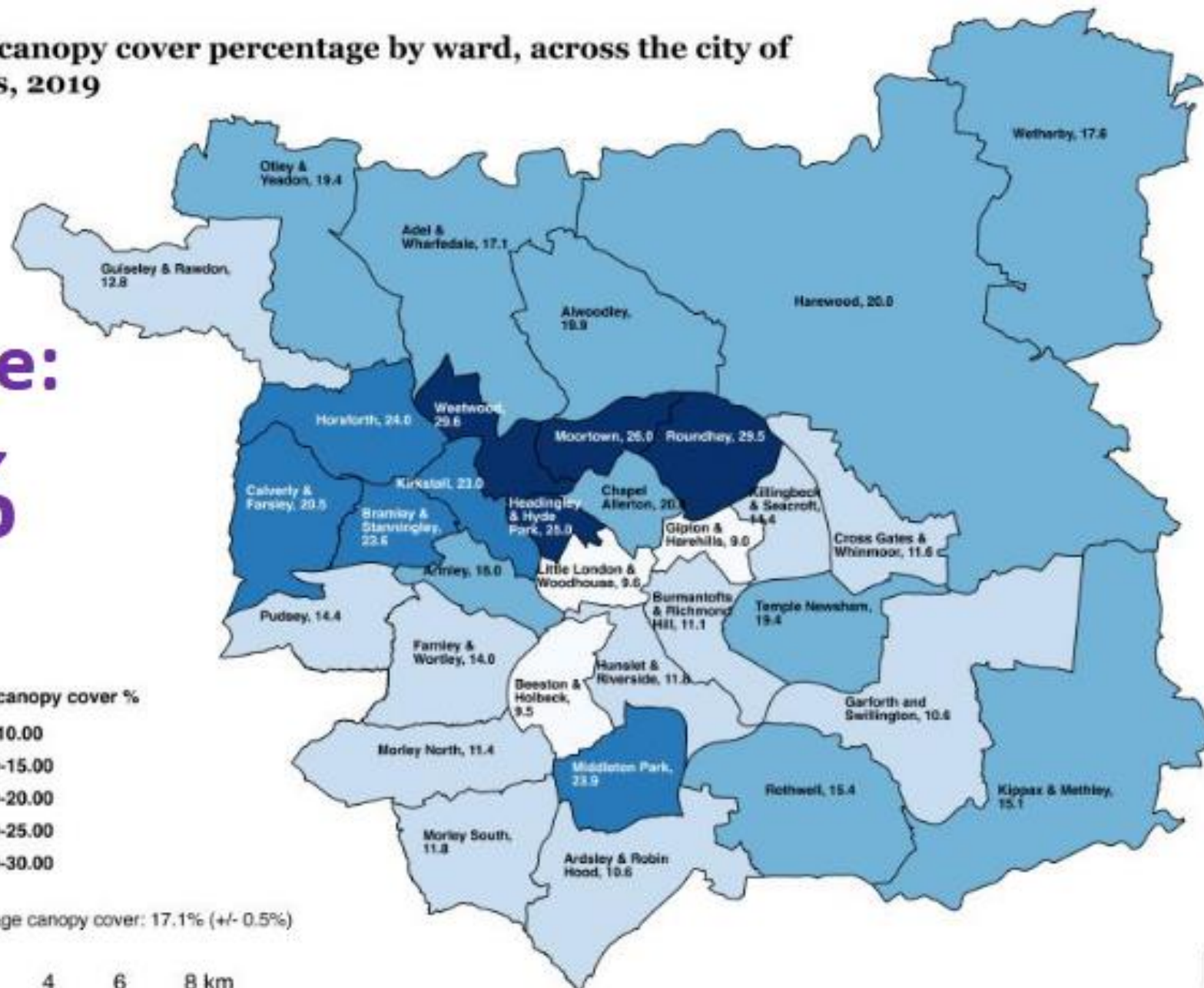
Range:  
**10%  
to  
30%**

## Legend

Ward tree canopy cover %



Leeds average canopy cover: 17.1% (+/- 0.5%)



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# The needs Fruit Works are responding to

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## Underlying approach:

- More people growing more fruit trees.
- Building competence and confidence to make fruit growing easy.





# 1. Leeds-grown fruit trees

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- Only fruit tree nursery in Leeds (and only one other in West Yorkshire).
- Connecting with and nurturing micro-nurseries





## 2. Children learn about growing trees and food

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Tree for Every Child Bradford:

- Orchard design
- Tree planting
- Apple juicing
- Tree propagation
- Call for urgent climate action





### 3. More residents have trees and food grown by more households

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- Grafting pop-up workshops to make and give away trees with hundreds of people.
- Increasing tree cover on estates.





## 4. Residents more competent and confident to maintain and harvest fruit trees

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### Training:

- Pruning
- Planting
- Scything
- Grafting





## 5. Fruitful green spaces for community events

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- Supporting community groups to use their orchard throughout the year
- Blossom Picnics, Apple Day, pruning skills, Wassail



Discussion:

How can Roundhay grow more fruit?