

# Soils in the City

## The foundations of urban life

Soils are the Secret Superheroes of our cities...  
 Strong enough to support even the biggest buildings!  
 Protectors of wildlife and the environment!  
 Helping in the fight against flooding!

### SUPER SOILS

#### Supporting Buildings

Soil provides foundations for supporting the weight of buildings and other structures. The deeper we dig, the stronger the soils become.



#### Fighting Against Flooding

Areas of open soil, such as green spaces, help to reduce flooding by soaking up rainwater like a sponge.



#### Preserving our Past

Soils are like a 'time machine' for exploring the past. They contain lots of buried artefacts that help us to understand the lives of our ancestors.



#### Supporting Nature

Soils allow green spaces like parks and gardens to grow, which provide homes for wildlife and improve people's health and happiness.



**WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

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