

LS-2: Sustainable Food Practices

Intent

To improve access to locally grown food and facilitate education about sustainable food production.

Credit Requirements

GENERAL

Community Gardens and Small Scale Allotments

- Demonstrate that an area within the site, determined appropriate based on the Environmental Agency Abu Dhabi (EAD) Soil Survey or local hydrological, soil and microclimatic conditions, has been allocated for use as a community garden or small scale allotment.
- Demonstrate a strategy for the establishment and long-term management of the community garden or allotments has been prepared.

OR

Food Celebration

- Demonstrate that a public space has been allocated for local food sale, distribution or exchange and celebration. This is to be a permanent but flexible and/or multi-purpose space for a regular feature such as a weekly market.
- Demonstrate a strategy for the use of the public space has been developed identifying the following as a minimum:
 - o The source of local food crops to be sold or used for celebration purposes at the public space. Locally grown crops are to be from either within the Emirate or at least grown within the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) region;
 - o The ownership, management strategy and program for use of the public space; and
 - o Strategy for educational awareness associated with local food production.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT/CLARIFICATIONS

Sites within 100m of a saline body of water must include the impact of the saline environment within the community garden or small scale allotment establishment and long-term management strategy.

Streetscapes

This credit is not available.

Credit Submission: Design Rating

Community Garden or Small Scale Allotments

- ☐ Plans and drawings illustrating the layout and design of community garden or small scale allotment areas;
- ☐ Community garden or small scale allotment establishment and long-term management strategy including the following:
 - Community support;
 - Appropriate size;
 - Access requirements for service vehicles;
 - Proposed crop types, growing season, water consumption and pest/weed control;
 - Proposed amenities and facilities; and
 - Strategy for sustainability awareness associated with the use of local and culturally relevant planting, herbs or crops.

Food Celebration

- ☐ Plans and drawings illustrating location of public space for food celebration, and associated facilities; and