

Culture as an Entity with value of Compatibility in Protecting Environment



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ABSTRACT

Green structure planning in cities has become an issue for discussions during the last decade. The focus is now on the demands of the increasing number of inhabitants and their requirement for recreational areas. The main goal of this study is to present the guidance report and how to develop the methodological work linked with green structure planning. The first part of this paper deal with some conceptual definitions and traces first the origin of greenway planning back to the early landscape architecture during the second half of the 19th century. Then it highlights the evolution of greenways over 20th century.

As an example, Lefkosa creek has been introduced, because of several factors; it is geographically representative of the region and one of the main natural land marks in Lefkosa capital city of Cyprus. Nearly all major cities have been built along river corridors. River corridors are being focused on as important natural networks as well as cultural and recreational resources.

This creek passes through historical old city of Lefkosa and another historic site so it provides historical heritage and protect cultural values. It can work as recreational corridor with attraction of the cultural and historical fabrics as well as ecologically significant corridors.

In the first part of this study we tried to analyze theoretical concepts and viewpoints in order to make the required link between culture, greenway planning and finally to understand the impact of culture on green infrastructure as transition of sustainability in branding cities and place identity. Second part works to put all pieces together in order to lead us into a design.

This approach is theoretical one; a combination of documentary research and perceptive method could prove to be appropriate. In the process of devising theories, studying the urban planning texts related to the subject of study play key role.

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