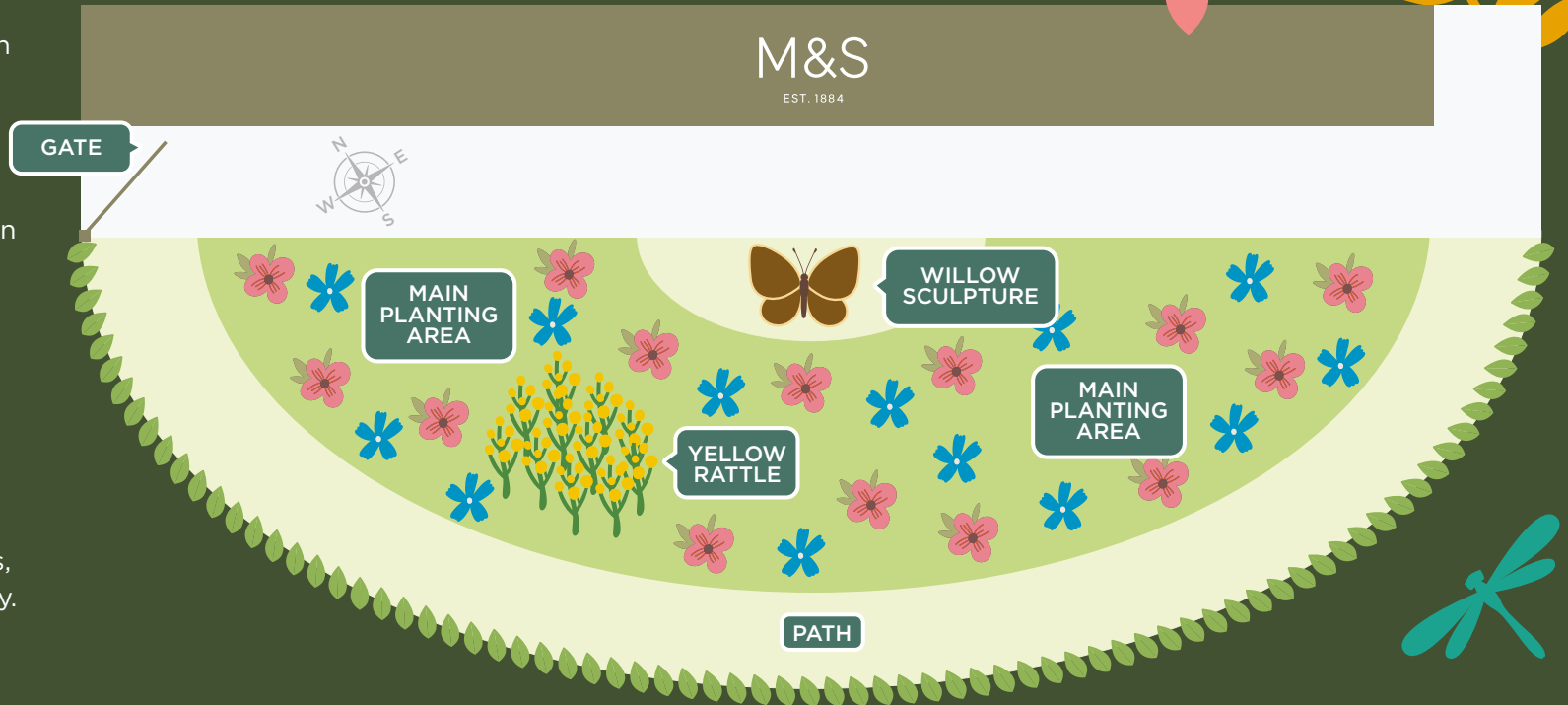


# Pollinator Parks® Garden

In 2020 we worked with community interest company Climate Action North to transform the under-used garden area beside our M&S Outlet store into a Pollinator Parks® Garden.

The initiative demonstrates how we can all practically support and care for our wildlife and repair broken ecosystems using small-scale rewilding methods.

This wildflower meadow will act as a habitat for pollinator insects such as bees and butterflies and will also bring a colourful, welcoming and attractive landscape for our customers, hardworking staff and retailers to enjoy.



## Plants

### RED CAMPION

A burst of red/pink flowers in summer act as an important feeding station for our native bumblebees and butterflies, whilst some caterpillars can call their leaves their home (and their breakfast too). Campion leaves and roots can be used to make a natural soap.



### DARK MULLEIN

A splendid tall plant with lovely yellow flowers, and furry leaves, soft to the touch. A great nectar plant for bees and butterflies and food for the Moth named after the plant.



### PRIMROSE

The name means 'Prima Rosa' or 'First Rose', and although no relation to roses, it does have a beautiful rose-like creamy yellow flower, and flowers in April/May time. Not just an early pollinator but useful too, its roots were once used to make a concoction to cure headaches.



### OXEYE DAISY

A tall plant, not related to the smaller field Daisies, it is also loved by a wide range of insects, as well as giving that super 'Day's Eye' (the morning sunshine) look.



### YELLOW RATTLE

Known as 'the meadow maker' or 'nature's lawnmower', yellow rattle is the single most important plant needed when creating a wildflower meadow. Without it, vigorous grasses grow unchecked and smother the flowers you want to encourage.

