

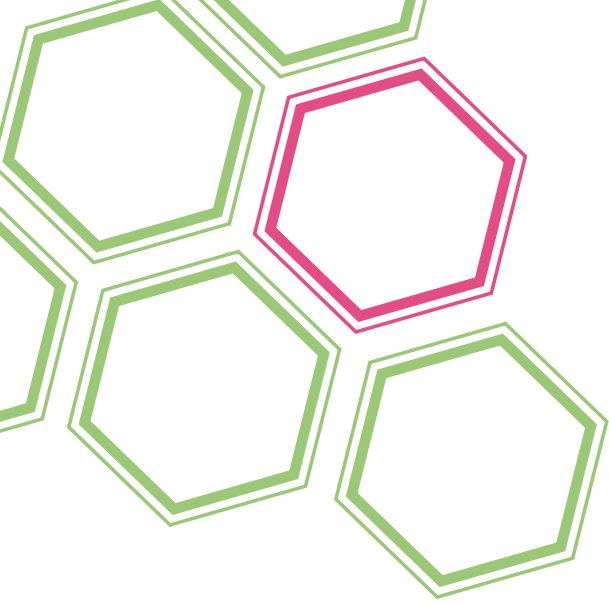


# OUR SUSTAINABLE ÖREBRO

Abridged version of the Sustainable  
Development Programme.



ÖREBRO



# We are working together

Sustainable development should be an integral part of everything we do. We have the right to feel good, and live a secure, meaningful life in harmony with nature. This applies to everyone, regardless of where they live in the world. Together we need to find sustainable solutions to ensure a good life for all within planetary boundaries.

This is the abridged version of Our Sustainable Örebro, the municipality of Örebro sustainable development programme. The full version of the programme sets out the political direction, values, and targets for sustainable development in the municipality of Örebro through to 2050 and with goals for 2030.\*

The programme acts both as support and as a driving force, not only for municipal administrations and companies but also for everyone who lives and works in the municipality of Örebro. It is based on Agenda 2030 and the 17 UN global sustainable development goals.

Working and acting sustainably should be second nature to us – both in the workplace and in our private lives. In the municipality of Örebro we will ensure the transition to a sustainable society is an integral part of day-to-day governance and management.

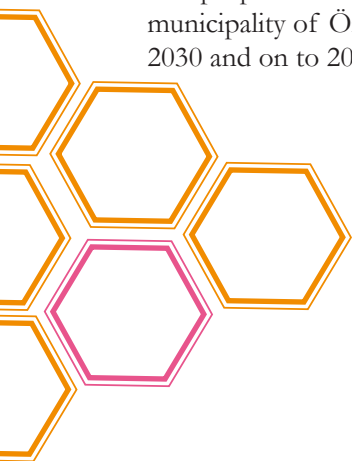


**\* The municipality of Örebro sustainable development programme "Our Sustainable Örebro". The development agenda, with targets for 2050 and goals for 2030, is available for reading and downloading at [orebro.se/varthallbaraorebro](http://orebro.se/varthallbaraorebro)**

# The sustainable development programme

The municipality of Örebro sustainable development programme is the outcome of a political decision-making process and includes overall longterm targets for 2050 and 51 goals for 2030. These also incorporate the Agenda 2030 global sustainability goals. The programme specifies the direction and pace at which the municipality of Örebro will develop as we move forward.

The purpose of the programme is to confirm and highlight how the municipality of Örebro as a geographical area will develop through to 2030 and on to 2050.



**Those who live in the municipality of Örebro have an impact on the sustainable developments.**

A strong partnership between the various agencies and organisations in society is crucial if we are to achieve the goals that have been set.

In the municipality of Örebro, the transition to a sustainable society is integrated into the existing control and management systems. Governance of the municipality of Örebro is centred on the sustainable development programme, the general plan, and the annual municipal budget.

The objectives and prioritisations in the annual budget and individual business plans for the municipal group will clearly contribute to achieving the goals set out in the sustainable development programme within a given timeframe. We will follow up the work of the municipal group in accordance with Agenda 2030 undertakings and we will do so in a way that is far-sighted, evidence-based, and supported by verified data.

Our approach is knowledge-based, which means that the goals and methods have a scientific foundation. We will also need to reinforce our municipal capability through in-house competence development.

## Our goals

The goals for Our Sustainable Örebro are arranged into six areas, which are presented individually further on, and which can be read in their entirety in the unabridged version of the sustainable development programme at [orebro.se/varthallbaraorebro](http://orebro.se/varthallbaraorebro).

### Overall goals for 2050

By 2050, people in the municipality of Örebro will be able to live a good sustainable life within the framework of their allotted share of the Earth's resources. Human rights and the basic needs of the population of Örebro will be met, ecosystems will not be overexploited, and a circular economy will be fully operational. Three overall targets have been adopted.



#### Public health

By 2050, equality and equity with regard to health and wellbeing will have been achieved for everyone, regardless of age.



#### Climate

By 2050, the municipality of Örebro as a geographical area will be climate-positive.



#### Ecological footprint

By 2050, the ecological footprint of both the municipal group and the municipality of Örebro as a geographical area will be a maximum of one (1) planet Earth.

# What does sustainable development mean?

Sustainable development means meeting the needs of people today without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs. We also require preparedness and the capacity to deal with the pressures and crises facing us both now and in the future.

There are three pillars of sustainability – social, environmental, and economic.



## Social sustainability

Social sustainability involves creating a society that is stable and dynamic in the long term and in which fundamental human needs and civil liberties are met based on human rights and the principle that all people are of equal value. Each person should be treated with respect regardless of their age, ethnic affiliation, beliefs, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, or functional ability.



## Environmental sustainability

Environmental sustainability involves managing the Earth's resources in a way that they are sufficient to meet the needs of everyone, both now and in the future. Utilisation of natural resources and climate impact should be at a level that does not jeopardise the planet's life-support systems.



## Economic sustainability

The economy is a means of bringing about sustainable social development. Economic sustainability is centred on using economic resources effectively and in a way that supports people and the environment.

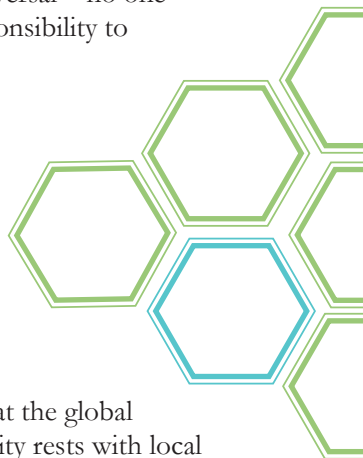
## **Agenda 2030 – a global gathering of forces**

Agenda 2030 was adopted by the UN in 2015 and includes 17 global goals for sustainable development, which are in turn divided into 169 targets. The goals are integrated and indivisible, which means that no goal can be achieved at the expense of another goal – success is required in every area.

The purpose of the Agenda is to ensure that by 2030 measures are taken to counteract climate change, eradicate extreme poverty, reduce inequality and injustice, and promote peace, fairness, and impartiality.

The Agenda, which is the most ambitious ever, is universal – no one should be left out. All countries have a common responsibility to contribute based on their capacity and conditions.

**Time is short, which requires the nations of the world to address the challenges together.**



The Swedish Parliament and Government should be at the global forefront in Agenda 2030. A great deal of responsibility rests with local authorities and regions as around 60 per cent of the goals fall within their geographical area and management remit.

## **The municipality of Örebro's sustainable development goals**

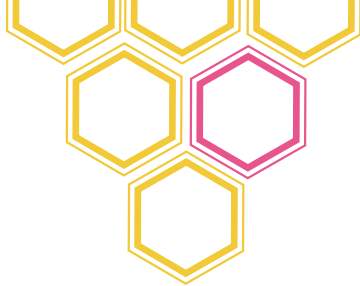
The municipality of Örebro's overall, long-term goals have been divided into six target areas.



# 1. ÖREBRO AT FULL STRENGTH







The key factor is ensuring an equal and equitable society. Once all the basic needs and rights of people are satisfied, conditions will be in place for communities to lead a democratic, peaceful, and inclusive existence.

By 2050, there should be equal and equitable conditions for growth and life in the municipality of Örebro. Human rights will be respected throughout the entire population, and people will have faith in the future, a sense of involvement, trust, and empowerment, and the opportunity to have a positive impact on society and their own lives.

This target area has 10 objectives that will be achieved by 2030. Income-related inequality between men and women will be halved using 2020 as the starting point.





## **2. LIFELONG LEARNING, EDUCATION, AND EMPLOYMENT IN ÖREBRO**





The core element is equal access to a good education for everyone, supported by lifelong learning. This also includes satisfying, meaningful employment, alongside industrial innovation and expansion, as part of a concerted effort to bring about sustainable social development.

By 2050, the right conditions will be in place to facilitate lifelong learning, education, and employment. Everyone will have the opportunity to develop their knowledge and expertise, leading to employment for the individual and the development of industry.

This target area has six objectives that will be achieved by 2030. They include having the right conditions in place for innovative renewal as part of the sustainable development of society, both within the municipal group and in collaboration with the public sector, industry, civil society, and academia.



A young child with short blonde hair and blue-rimmed glasses is sitting on a mossy rock. The child is wearing a white t-shirt with thin blue horizontal stripes and blue denim pants. They are smiling broadly and reaching out with both hands towards the camera. The background is a soft-focus green forest. In the bottom right corner, there is a decorative graphic of several white-outlined hexagons of varying sizes, some overlapping.

# 3. A GOOD, SECURE LIFE FOR EVERYONE IN ÖREBRO



The guiding principle is that no one should be excluded from the development process and those with specific needs should have the opportunity to fulfil their potential. This encompasses support and needs-based initiatives and solutions for individuals and presupposes the realisation of target areas 1 and 2.

By 2050, everyone will have the opportunity to fully utilise their capability and live a secure life based on their personal circumstances, needs, and rights. No one will be excluded from the development process and children's rights will be safeguarded at all times.

Everyone who has a short-term or long-term need for support or initiatives from the local authority will be offered equal and equitable welfare services that allow them to live an inclusive, independent life. Each individual will be involved in designing their own services to achieve the best possible level of health and well-being.

This target area has four objectives that will be achieved by 2030. The differences that exist among people with a functional impairment and whose health can be improved will have been halved using 2020 as the starting point.





**4. ÖREBRO WILL CREATE LIVING ENVIRONMENTS THAT OFFER TRUE QUALITY OF LIFE**





The focal point is the creation of spatial structures which collectively ensure that municipal urban and rural areas are inclusive, safe, robust, and sustainable. Through physical planning, and ecologically sound management and development of our living environments, sustainable buildings and infrastructures will be created alongside effective use and control of land and water resources.

By 2050, interaction within and between the city of Örebro, the municipality's urban and rural areas, and other regions will be reinforced. This will contribute to the municipality of Örebro becoming a cohesive, functionally integrated municipality that is rich in content and opportunity and which meets needs and life patterns over time.

This target area has 12 objectives that will be achieved by 2030. These include the built environment and urban areas which, in harmony with green structures and ecosystem services, will contribute to a society that is well equipped to meet the challenges we are facing as a result of climate change.





**5. A CLIMATE-POSITIVE  
ÖREBRO WITH HEALTHY  
ECOSYSTEMS AND A HIGH  
LEVEL OF BIODIVERSITY**







This involves mitigating climate impact, safeguarding the sustainability of water and food supplies, and utilising and managing land, water, and natural resources in an ecologically sustainable way, ensuring that biodiversity in the landscape is reinforced and environmental goals are achieved.

By 2050, the municipality of Örebro will be a climate-positive municipality with healthy ecosystems and a high degree of biodiversity. Use of resources will be sustainable and climate load per person will be at a level which, if applied globally, would not jeopardise the Earth's climate.

This target area has 13 objectives that will be achieved by 2030. The municipality of Örebro will contribute to a sustainable supply system where consumption of domestically produced food has increased, and local production is assured.





## 6. A SUSTAINABLE AND RESOURCE-EFFICIENT ÖREBRO



This target area centres on resources, the efficient use of those resources, and making the crucial transition to a societally beneficial and circular economy. The focus will be on social, economic, and environmental resources.

By 2050 the ecological footprint of the Örebro municipal group as well as the municipality of Örebro as a geographical area will be a maximum of one planet Earth. Production and consumption patterns in the municipality of Örebro will be based on a circular economy. Existing resources will be maintained, shared, and reused, and materials will be recycled. Consumption of new goods and services will be sustainable in a way that production will not pose a threat to ecosystems or human health and rights. Municipal group employees are a vital resource, and they will be given the right conditions and opportunities to develop.

This target area has six objectives that will be achieved by 2030. Examples include minimising food waste and recycling unavoidable food waste and packaging's.





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The goals in Our Sustainable Örebro offer inspiration and support and function as the driving force necessary to bring about a sustainable transition that involves the entire world.

**We are achieving this together!**



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