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## What is it all about?

The Re-Allotment Projects focus on the transformation of dated but well-located allotment districts into qualitative urban areas. Local actors, experts, real estate players and policy makers bring spatial scenarios, as well as new legal and financial instruments into practice.

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The Flemish allotment zeal not only ensured that living in Flanders, in contrast to other countries, remained relatively affordable. It also came with high social costs. The scattered housing devours space, eats energy and is one of the main causes of our mobility problems. Yet there are a lot of allotted districts that are well located and easily accessible, often on the outskirts or in the 20th century belt of the city. We can transform these neighbourhoods, used purely as living space today, into fully-fledged and well-functioning urban areas where the necessary facilities are available.

In the coming months, we will bring various local actors together with experts, real estate players and policy makers. We will map out the diversity of allotments, identify possible spatial scenarios and develop new legal and financial instruments. Based on the work

sessions, we will launch a call for Reallocation projects in the autumn of 2018. The objective is to support some fifteen local authorities for a few years as from 2019, in order to initiate the strategic transformation and redevelopment of allotments. To this we will link a learning environment, so we can also use the lessons we draw from the test sites in other cities.

The transformation of allotted neighbourhoods is a recurring challenge that almost all cities and villages in Flanders are facing. If we can roll out the experience and expertise gained on a large scale, we can make a significant difference in the further urbanisation and sustainability of Flanders.

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