



Planning and Biodiversity in our Urban Areas

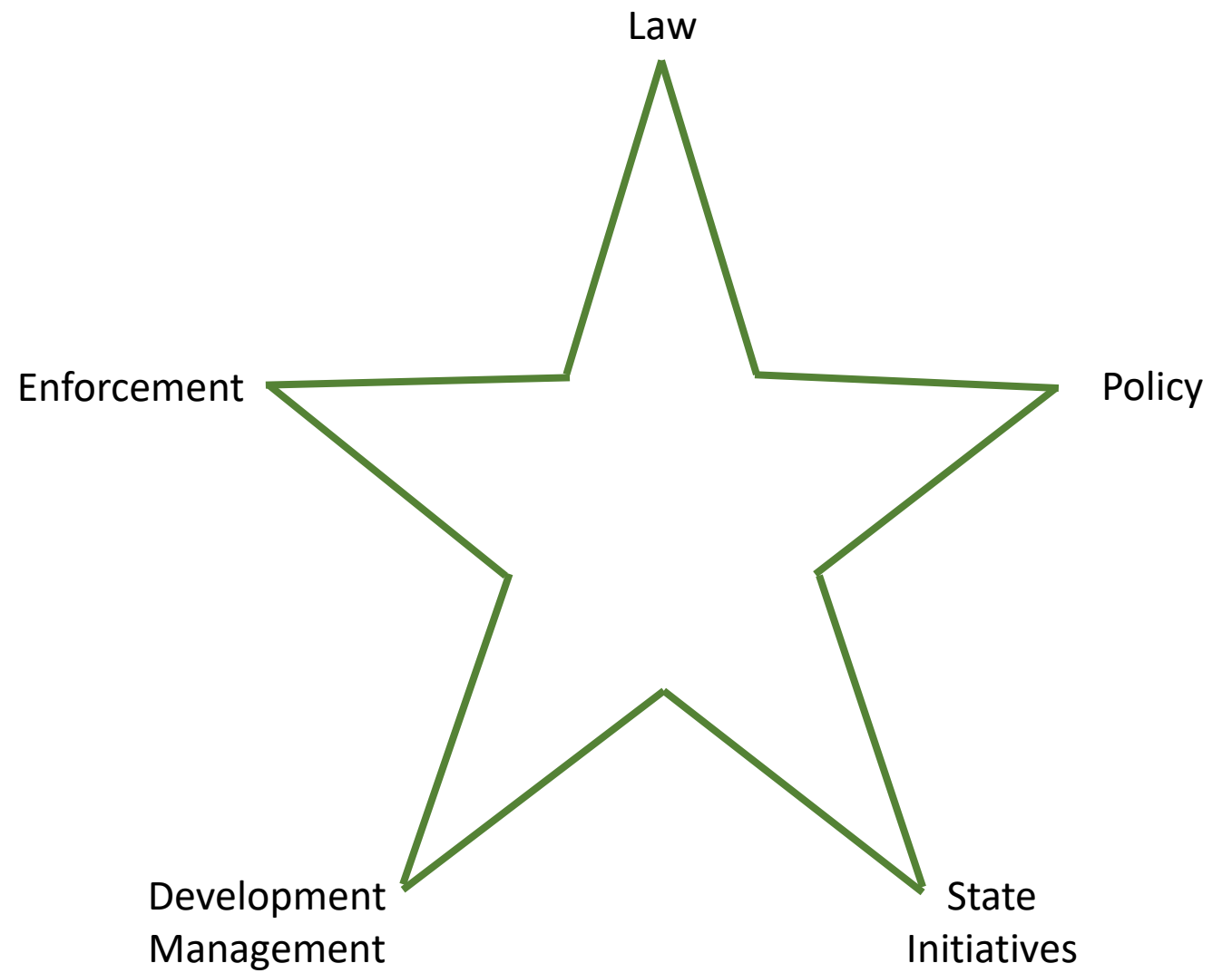
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Why Consider Urban Planning and Biodiversity?





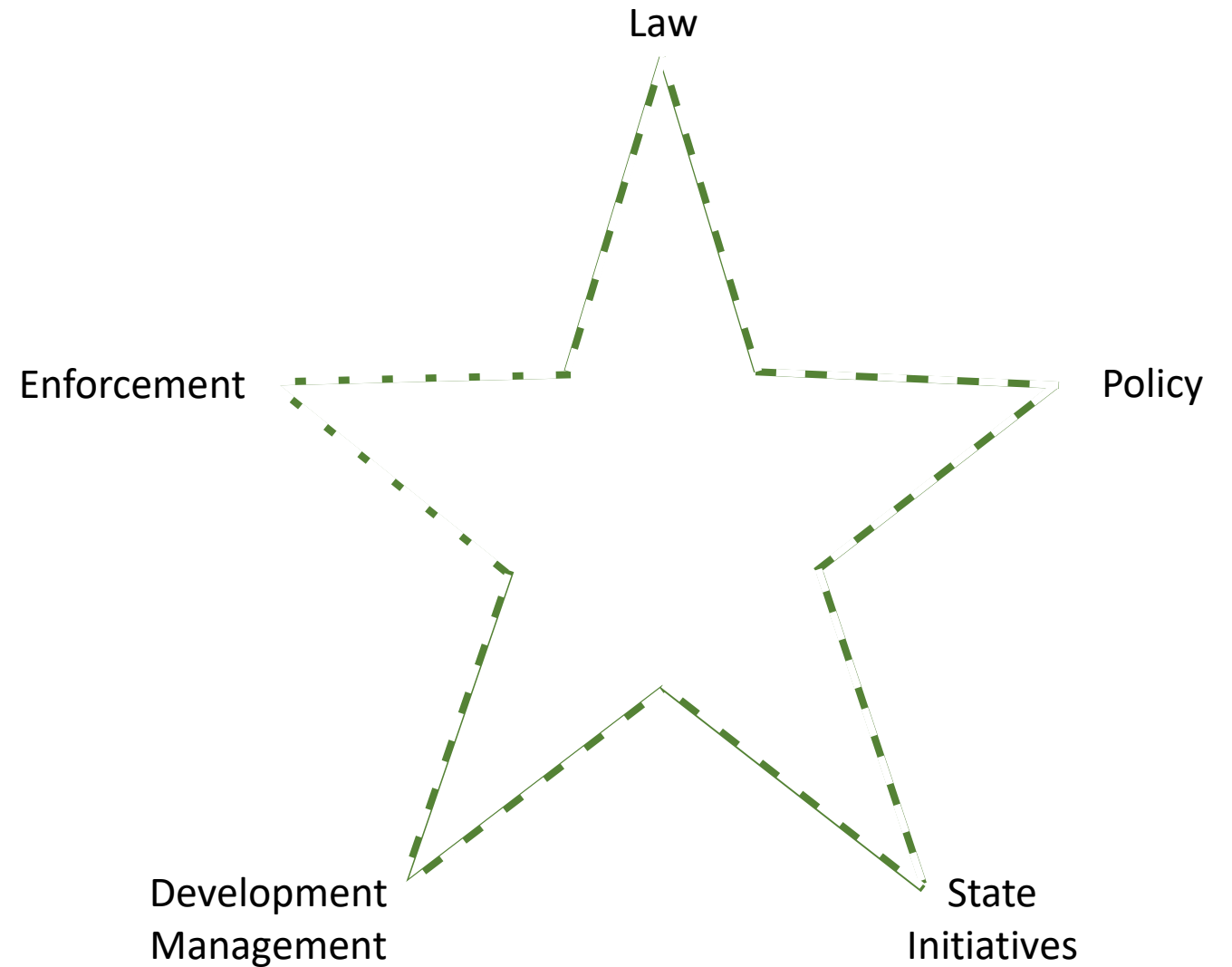
Challenges

Competing issues:

- *Biodiversity*
- Housing
- Regeneration
- Flood management
- Employment
- Retail and services
- Transport
- Infrastructures
- Political agendas
- Climate change

Weaknesses

- Political will
- Law
- Planner knowledge
- Local authority expertise
- Financial resources
- Enforcement



Improvements

➤ Green & Blue Infrastructure Planning

- National Planning
- Regional Planning
- County/City Development Plans
- Local Area Plans

🌀 Heat mitigation

🌿 Drainage management

🌱 Biodiversity

⚽ Recreation

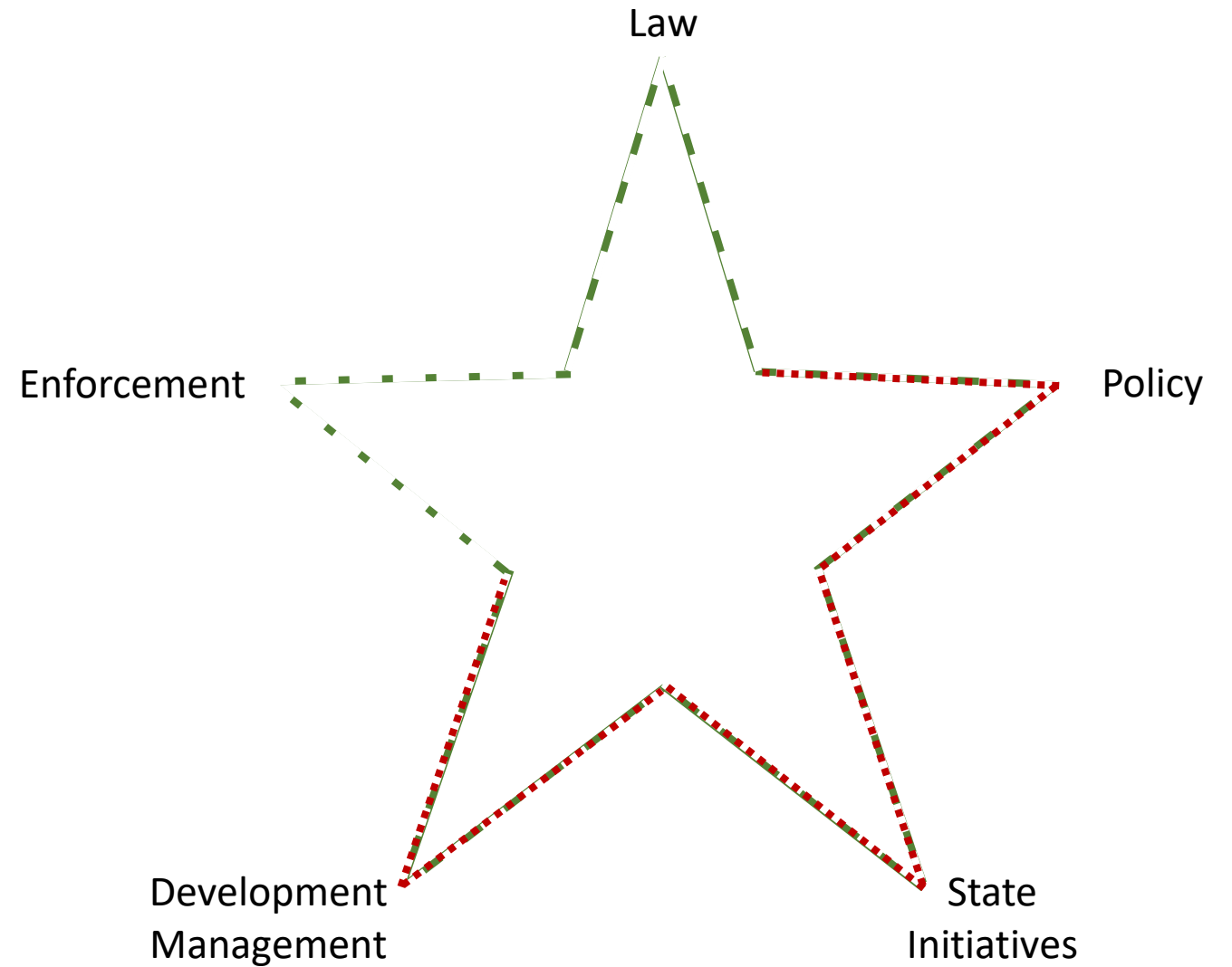
🚲 Moving around

🏠 Community spaces



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Innovations

- Biodiversity Net Gain (Environment Act 2021 [England])
- Expertise & Enforcement Resourcing [NZ]

