Glasgow City Food Plan at the Food Summit 2023















Glasgow City Food Plan Food procurement and catering Food poverty - fair food for all Children and young people Food economy Food and the environment Community food Equity Sustainability Health





UofG Research – key findings

- 15 interviews to date: findings consistent.
- 3 key points:
 - Actions: need prioritised, revised to be SMART, and better reflect current context
 - Capacity and collaboration: overstretched organisations and limited collaboration outside meetings
 - Varying degrees of buy in
- There are opportunities for the Food Summit to help address these
- Some requests for more opportunities to work together on new projects and funding bids









Fair Food For All













- Understand levels and population patterning of food insecurity across the city and the provision of support in these geographical and population groups and the referral pathways that are available. Make this data easily available to inform service planning, funding and provision.
- Facilitate the development of a Cash First Partnership bid in collaboration with relevant food plan partners. NOTE: Application submitted. Wording of action to be agreed if successful.
- Enhance and sustain food interventions/services that are addressing improved access to affordable, nutritious food in local communities. Support partner organisations to overcome barriers to delivery and to invest in gap sites where there is identified need in Glasgow.
- Develop an accessibility guide to help Community Food/Advice Services maximise their accessibility to population groups with a range of needs and share this widely.















Community Food













- Provide resources, support and services to enable community food organisations to deliver services appropriate to their communities.
- Increase land available for community growing across Glasgow (supporting the delivery of the Glasgow Food Growing Strategy).
- Increase community participation in planning for community food spaces, activities and ventures.
- Increase resilience of the community food sector.















Catering and Food Procurement













- Increase proportion of locally sourced and low carbon produced food used in public sector catering. This will be achieved by agreeing definitions of local and low carbon and how to measure (e.g. may include a number of categories like: organic food, meat free dishes, pulses)
- Develop community benefits methodology and community wealth building principles in public sector food contracts, that provides support for community food initiatives. (Examples from other areas could be explored)
- Maintain Bronze Food for Life Served here accreditation for school meals during next
 2-3 years with the aim to work towards Silver. Encourage other organisations to work towards the same accreditation.
- Increase communication and opportunities for small and medium sized businesses and social enterprises to engage in public sector procurement and/or arrange supplier development opportunities.















Food Economy













- Work with further education providers to improve/integrate sustainability education in order to improve employability prospects for the future workforce.
- Increase the provision for easily accessible farmers and neighbourhood markets/shops/pantries in all areas of the city prioritising socially and environmentally conscious (local/organic) producers.
- Continue to encourage, support and work with more local food businesses to adopt sustainability principles (including the real living wage, circular economy, reduced waste, nature friendly and nutritious food provision) through strengthening and growing the existing work (Glasgow Sustainable Food Directory, Circular Glasgow campaigns and other initiatives).
- Promote and advocate for local food businesses including producers, suppliers and retailers to the general public and our networks and through our communications and campaigns (including Good Food for Glasgow).















Food and the Environment













Priority Actions – Food Waste Reduction

- 1. Reduce household and community food waste through public education campaigns about reducing food waste and increased composting opportunities in communities.
- 2. Reduce commercial and public sector food waste (at production and consumption stages), and increase volume diverted from general waste streams, through work with food producers, caterers, food providers and retailers to change practice and through food waste reduction pilot projects.
- 3. Increase the volume of food surplus that is distributed by working with FareShare, community organisations and other key stakeholders.
- 4. Reduce the volume of single use packaging used for food by supporting delivery of the Council's Plastic Reduction Strategy.













Priority Actions – Urban Agriculture

- Increase land used for commercial/market scale food growing.
- Increase training opportunities and economic support for local food growing.
- Increase access/routes to markets for locally produced food (Glasgow and Scotland)
- Increase the use of more nature friendly techniques (including organic growing) in food production.















Children and Young People













- Promote and improve uptake of school meals in schools across Glasgow.
- Establish and support more good food groups in schools across Glasgow and improve opportunities for them to support learning about the food system.
- Promote and encourage use of Your Body Matters in schools across Glasgow and undertake and incorporate learning from evaluation of the resource.
- Increase engagement in support services by families across Glasgow in programmes to improve nutritional health Thrive Under 5, Weigh to Go, etc. Review and evaluate the approach.
- Support breastfeeding through increased rollout of the Breastfeeding Friendly Scotland (BFS) scheme to businesses and BFS Early Learning scheme to Early Years providers.













Food Education Working Group

- Mapping the range of existing food education resources and providers that are available in Glasgow.
- Mapping and developing the career and learning pathways available to those wishing to contribute to a more sustainable food future.















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