



# Glasgow Food Policy Partnership

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14<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 10:00 to 12:00

## Note of Meeting

### 1. Welcome

Present – Angela, Bill, Alison, Abi, Lorna, Jill (Chair), Robin, Deirdre, Tarik Olcay (UoG intern who will be helping promote the GFPP through social media).

Welcome to Lorna Aitken, Food and Health Development Officer, Education Scotland who attended to present to the meeting under item 6.

### 2. Apologies

Ian Shankland (Chair) has stepped down for personal reasons. Greig has moved into other duties within the Council so has resigned.

Other apologies from Pete Ritchie (Nourish), Johnnie, Yvelva, Nigel and Ken, Ian Shankland (Chair) has stepped down

### 3. Agree previous minute - agreed as accurate

### 4. Matters arising

Item 4b – food waste Zero Waste food target – uncertainty whether all workshops were organised. Soil Association went to Stirling Workshop. Action: Jill to follow up with Ylva.

Simon Rennie – agreed to invite to a future meeting.

Rowett Steering Group on local food – agreed that Soil Assoc will represent GFPP.

GCPH sugar tax report in preparation.

Brief discussion about interface with GHSCP health improvement and agreement to revisit as part of broader discussions on GFPP membership.

### 5. Updates:



**The Glasgow Community Food Network (Abi)** Steering Group has been established and meetings are being convened by Abi; action planning has begun in line with the priorities set out in the feasibility report. A proposal was requested from SG for funds (£10k) to continue to support Community Food Network related development work in 17/18. Abi pulled this together in a very short timescale and has submitted it to Christopher Russell at SG. Money (£10K) will come through this financial year but will be used next year as development money. GFPP will not be parent body but will in the interim hold the funding from Scottish Government

Actions: Jill to circulate this proposal paper to the GFPP members for information.

In summary, the proposals are that the network will link with the mapping project being led by Nigel at GCC, will involve an in-depth study of short supply chains (e.g. what they could look like e.g. food corridors to make better use of the 70 growing spaces around the city to maximise production of particular foods to supply community food retail outlets), governance (SenScot are working with network to support structure- looking likely to be a cooperative model).

Bill highlighted the importance of learning from other networks experiences particularly Edinburgh. Abi advised that Brenda Black is on the steering group is also part of the Edinburgh Food Policy Partnership/Edible Edinburgh. Bill also highlighted the importance of recognising the links with SG across departments – public health, food industry, climate change and others. Abi added that social and environmental inequalities are intrinsically linked so need to tackle food priorities through this lens.

NHS have produced a letter of endorsement for the Glasgow Community Food Network development. Jill thanked Fiona for her work in facilitating this. This has been sent to SG. A similar letter of endorsement from GCC is in progress. It was recognised that there is also a need to highlight work with Poverty Leadership Panel. There are some local sensitivities around funding and some organisations do not want to be part of network and/or have separate funding arrangement with NHS. This needs to be built into the development process and Abi recognises this. Discussions are underway around tapping into distribution networks in existence e.g. FareShare (Gillian Kynoch) and other interfaith networks including Glasgow Interfaith food poverty network. Important to work collaboratively and communicate.

**Mapping (Jill for Nigel)** . There is a PhD student working (until January) with GCC to help further development of mapping exercise combining a number of different sources. Aiming for an interactive webbased tool. Overlaying with SIMD data to identify priorities/gaps in infrastructure/resources. Still at quite an early stage but potentially useful. Abi is involved and developing a 'proof of concept' for South Side Central. Will sit on GCC website.

**Food insecurity measure in Glasgow Household Survey (Jill for Ken)** There has been a lack of data about food insecurity nationally and locally. GoWell has published analysis of longitudinal survey data as to who uses food banks (Action: Jill to circulate) but this, while useful, still only gives part of the picture. Ken has advised there is support within GCC to put a food insecurity measure into next Glasgow Household Survey. Coincidentally, Jill and Bill were at a national meeting in Edinburgh where SG committed to adding a food insecurity measure into the Scottish Health Survey. They will be using the [Food Insecurity Experience Scale \(FIES\)](#) 'Voices of the Hungry', starting with 3 questions in 2017 and increasing to 8 questions. The scale is internationally comparable as widely used across countries. NHS

GCC (Health and wellbeing survey) is also going to include this measure in future surveys. It was agreed that it would be sensible to include the same measure in the Glasgow Household Survey and that the GFPP should recommend this to GCC. It was recognised that consistency and clarity in measurement of food insecurity is important, but that this will still need to be augmented by local exploration of issues.

Action: Jill to meet with Ken and Nigel to feed back on this discussion and to explore is feasible in GCC Household Survey – longer and shorter versions. Need to know how council plan to use data and what resources they have. Anyone else interesting in participating in this meeting, please contact Jill

**Communications (Deirdre and Tarik)** – Tarik introduced himself. He previously email sent round with list of priorities. Getting a social media presence is one priority. We also need to revamp the website and add more content. Tarik will be in touch with GFPP members to develop content. Also retweeting – need to understand how this works in each organisation.

Action: Everyone to check whether they have a social media content policy and how they retweet.

Tarik to push charter and to explore how best to make good use of and twitter.

6. **Guest presentation: Food education in schools (Lorna Aitken Food and Health Development Officer, Education Scotland)**

Lorna will send presentation to Robin and it will be circulated to GFPP members.

7. **GFPP future plans (Jill)**

Membership has fallen for various reasons. We don't have representation from all sectors and we no longer have a Chair. There is also a question about whether the Terms of References need revised. Agreed that the next meeting should focus on agreeing the purpose of the GFPP and, then, whether the structure and membership are right for this purpose. There is a particular need to consider the strategic link into Glasgow City council and whether is Fiona Crawford right person to represent strategic health improvement at GHSCP level. Until we have this discussion, Jill agree to continue as acting Chair.

Action: To be focus of next meeting.

8. **Local Government Elections (Jill)**

Carry forward

9. **Information sharing (all)**

Carry forward

10. **Date of next meeting**

February 2017: Jill to send round a doodle poll to agree date/time.