



Glasgow Food Policy Partnership

Committee Room Three, Glasgow City Chambers

13th January 2016, 10am to 12pm

Chair | Ian Shankland (IS)

Present | Duncan Booker (DB) - *Glasgow City Council*; Fiona Crawford (FC) – *Glasgow Health Board & Glasgow Centre for Population Health*; Johnnie Crossan, *University of Glasgow*; Andy Cumbers (AC) – *University of Glasgow*; Bill Gray (BG) - *Community Food and Health (Scotland)*; Kenneth Harris (KH) – *Glasgow City Council*; Shruti Jain (SJ), *Soil Association Scotland*; Alison Linyard (AL) – *Glasgow Centre for Population Health*; Greig MacDonald (GM) – *Glasgow City Council*; Abi Mordern (AMo) – *Community representative*; Jill Muirie (JM) - *Glasgow Centre for Population Health*; Tracey Reilly (TR), *Nourish*; Matt Webster (MW), *Soil Association Scotland*; Robin Gourlay (RG), *Scottish Government*; and, Ylva Haglund (YV), *Zero Waste Scotland*;

Apologies | Angela Mitchell (AMi) – *Soil Association Scotland* and Deirdre Shaw (DS) – *University of Glasgow*.

1. Welcome

2. Apologies

3. Previous minute agreed

4. Introduction from new chair, Ian Shankland

5. Charter Launch

- Unanimous recognition and thanks for DS's hard work that went into the launch and for keeping momentum in group
- Key reflection regarded social media in lead up to and following the charter launch. Timing of event meant that festive period stalled social media activity
- Manifesto feedback – some people seemed to want more information and more specific targets in each theme. However, there were also requests to keep the targets more general

- AC – Student interns are currently processing charter and manifesto feedback. Will feedback to group at next meeting

6. Social Media

- SJ proposes that Soil Association Scotland can offer their Communications Manager for a half-day session with a selection of GFPP network members to develop a communications strategy
- JM - Need capacity to be reactive as well as proactive
- JM – Need a general GFPP plan for 2016 for comms strategy to be based around
- BG - Important that those network members and organisations based in Glasgow drive forward partnership activity and utilise what the national partners can offer with regard to skill and resource

7. Working Group Updates

a. Local Food Economy

- AC - Manifesto version very different to draft. Was less radical; targets were revised to encourage people to sign
- JM - Ambitious targets could alienate some audiences/organisations
- DB – From a GCC perspective, radical or over-ambitious targets are not a good way to initiate activity. Need to start with a baseline measurement
- AC – Currently no resource, time or financial, to undertake substantive work
- JC – Need to identify discreet bits of and so that as funding becomes available, we're ready to submit proposals

b. Food Poverty

- JM – Report for event in October has been drafted and has been circulated for comments. Will be published on GCPH website soon
- TR - Alex Neil (The Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Communities and Pensioners' Rights) has commissioned a short life working group to explore alternatives to food banks
- TR – Many UK charities are undertaking work and producing output relating to food poverty. These include: Oxfam; Poverty Alliance; Sustain: and, Churches Against Poverty

- FC - What Works Scotland published a feasibility study last year entitled: 'Cost of School Holidays.'
 - i. [Executive Summary](#)
 - ii. [Literature Review](#)
- DB – Food is not currently part of Poverty Leadership Panel’s plan. Can GFPP influence this?

c. Food Waste

- FareShare have made a connection with Glasgow Fruit & vegetable market, will reduce a large amount of waste
- Food recycling bins for kerbside and tenanted properties are to be rolled out between January and March
- JM – Working with three schools (one primary, one secondary & one ASL) to aid the implementation of the joint School Food Policy between GCC and Cordia
- ZWS are currently developing education resources for delivery in partnership with FFLS

8. Short Life Working Group

- Exploring ways to reduce reliance on foodbanks
- Hope to report by end of February
- Nourish have developed a proposal for food hubs to explore how existing facilities can be developed

9. Funding

- JM – Offer of funding from Scottish Government. Please see attached email from 3rd December 2015 for full details
- Funding to be used to drive forward the six working group themes in six different community groups/growing projects
- AMo to approach Glasgow community groups with offer of funding
- JM to write funding proposal and circulate for feedback via email
- GFPP members can act as mentors to the community groups. Please email JM if members or members’ organisations would like to do this

10. SFC

- Clare Deveraux no longer works for Food Matters, one of the SFC partners with Soil Association and Sustain. Victoria Williams has now taken over Clare's role
- 45 places are now using the SFC approach. A useful stat to use in communications
- National SFC conference will be held in Liverpool on the 21st & 22nd March, titled: 'The True Cost of Food.' Limited places and initial invite will go to the chair, IS
- Indicators workshop will be held in Edinburgh on the 10th February. AMo has requested to attend

11. AOB

- AC – Please write endorsements for University of Glasgow public impact reporting. Details will be emailed via AC/JC/DS
- AMo – 6th February, Seed & Tree Festival, Gorbals
- 28th February, Glasgow Allotment Forum, annual potato day

Actions

- All – Please contact MW via email if you would like to be involved in the half-day communications session, will look at dates once I have an idea of numbers. To make this session effective, we would be looking for ~5 network members, or representation from members' organisations' communications departments, representing a good cross section of the network.
 - AC/JC/DS to provide charter and manifesto feedback in next meeting
 - All - JM to write proposal and circulate via email for feedback
 - All - Email JM if members or members' organisations would like to act as mentors for community groups
 - TR – Ask Alize (SFC) to extend invite to AMo
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