

Glasgow Food Policy Partnership

18th May 2021, 2-4pm

Online meeting

Present: Abi Mordin, Riikka Gonzalez, Anna Richardson, Ylva Haglund, Mark Fitzpatrick, Siobhan Boyle, Bill Gray, Tierney Woods, Louise MacKenzie, Cheryl McCulloch, Nick Hopkins, Stephanie Anderson, Laura Muir, Kelda McLean (minutes)

Apologies: Andrew Cumbers, Robin Gourlay, Pete Ritchie, Deirdre Shaw, Samantha Whitehead, Simon Kenton-Lake, Russell Jones

Notes and actions

1. Welcome and apologies

Apologies as noted above.

2. Note of last meeting

Agreed as accurate. All matters arising were covered in agenda items.

3. Glasgow City Food Plan (GCFP)

Riikka advised that the Food Plan was approved the previous week and members of the Public Health Oversight Board advised they are happy to help drive forward the plan and actions, and they will welcome regular updates.

Further implementation of actions will be facilitated through the continuation of the six themed working groups, who it is hoped, will meet around quarterly.

The Food Plan launch will take place on 15th June – all welcome – please share the invite with your contacts. A press release will be sent to several journalists. **Action: ALL**

The Plan document will be published online shortly on the GFPP website. See here:

<http://goodfoodforall.co.uk/home/glasgow-city-food-plan>

It was suggested that the Plan actions be reviewed at the end of year 1.

Everyone was encouraged to link their own organisations' workplans to the Food Plan, where appropriate.

Riikka advised that the process of developing the Food Plan will also be captured and shared.

4. GFPP Development Day

This was proposed for end of August and the programme and invite will be sent to all current and potential new partners, many of whom will have been involved in the food plan development. A small working group will meet in advance to discuss the agenda. Riikka to send invites. **Action: Riikka**

5. Food and Climate Action

Abi gave an overview of an exciting new programme of work in relation to food and climate action. It is run by Glasgow Community Food Network with 8 new employees and Abi as strategic lead.

The project has five key strands of activity including: increasing urban agriculture within the city, engaging and empowering people of all ages through food education, establishing community-led green assemblies, supporting action around COP26 and collating all learning in an online food hub. The work connects to wider action on climate and food through policy and campaigns activity including the aims of the Glasgow City Food Plan.

Launch event and website coming soon. <https://glasgowfood.net/projects/food-climate-action>.

6. Child Healthy Weight Project

Siobhan gave an overview of the Child Healthy Weight Project, which involves several Health Improvement staff working across Glasgow. This is the current working title, however this will change at later date. It is to pilot a whole community pre-school child healthy weight project. £187,000 funding has been granted in order for a 1 year pilot project can be established across 3 areas in Glasgow. Three posts are being recruited for. The project will support the development of a GCFN to map local food systems and develop an action plan, providing appropriate food and nutrition training for key stakeholders, and to develop pathways for families on money advice, food pantries, community food initiatives and growing projects. Siobhan will make continue to bring project updates to the GFPP and will also links with the Food and Climate Action Project.

7. COP26



Abi advised that:

- The Homestay network looking for hosts.
- GCFN has submitted two bids for stands.
- Community hubs are being set up to help involve local people.

Louise advised that a report is going to the Glasgow City Council policy committee soon, which is a useful overview of planned COP activity. She can circulate this. **Action: Louise**

Riikka advised that she has been working with Slow Food Glasgow to develop a Sustainable Food Directory for Glasgow, focussing on food shops and restaurants. This follows on from Slow Food Glasgow's work from their website and is to be produced before COP. Abi recommended the 'Food Made Good' 50 questions as a framework. Experience Glasgow regional food group has been set up and Abi advised Riikka to link with the lead to help promote this.

8. AOB

Nick been pulling together a multi-agency partnership which will involve Cara from GCFN. It will focus on sector bids to increase capacity for outreach for advice services at foodbanks. Links will be made with Glasgow Helps and with Link Workers. Longer term they are keen to see a 'cash first' approach. Nick will circulate the most recent Trussell Trust report on food hunger. Nick would also be happy to share the project meeting minutes. **Action: Nick**

Siobhan shared in the chat a link to a new non-profit phone based food distribution service in Glasgow, run by The Space, in the East End of Glasgow. See here for updates <https://thespacescotland.org/community-shop/>

9. Dates of next meetings

GFPP – 17th August

Working Group meetings before the GFPP Development Day on the 23rd August.

City Food Plan launch 15th June.