



Glasgow Food Policy Partnership

6th October 2021, 2-4pm

Online meeting

Present: Abi Mordin, Riikka Gonzalez, Ylva Haglund, Mark Fitzpatrick, Siobhan Boyle, Stephanie Anderson, Lizzie Hammond, Gillian Edgar, Mandy Morgan, Kelda McLean (minutes)

Apologies:, Andrew Cumbers, Robin Gourlay, Pete Ritchie, Deirdre Shaw, Samantha Whitehead, Simon Kenton-Lake, Russell Jones, Anna Richardson, Tierney Woods, Louise MacKenzie , Cheryl McCulloch, Nick Hopkins, Laura Muir

Notes and actions

1. Welcome and apologies – introductions and welcome to new partners

Abi welcomed everyone as Chair and apologies as noted above.

2. Note of last meeting

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

3. GFPP Development Day and future steps

- Summary of the Day
- Recommendations to ToR

Riikka had attached the summary of the day to the email with meeting papers. We had some of the existing partners plus 10 new potential organisations in attendance. We heard from Abi, Siobhan and then talked about the remit of the group and roles and responsibilities of partners. The Terms of Reference (ToR) document had also been shared. All the comments from the breakout sessions have been added to the document, as it is still a working document.

Riikka noted that as there are now 23 partners, after the following organisations joined GFPP after the planning day: [Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector \(GCVS\)](#), [Glasgow Trades Union Council \(GTUC\)](#), [Glasgow University Environmental Sustainability Team \(GUEST\)](#), [Interfaith Glasgow \(as coordinator of the Interfaith Food Justice Network\)](#), [Scottish Enterprise](#), [Scottish Pantry Network](#), [SGF Healthy Living Programme](#)

The plan is also to create partner profiles for all the partner organisations as not everyone is familiar with each other's work. There is a partner profile link on the Google drive document, which Riikka urged everyone to fill in with partner updates prior to our meetings: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CeX-Herucu2-fO8AhdlyRCrWmkRgpjn8/edit>



Updates from the Glasgow Food Plan theme leads are also listed here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/176ZC_jJsq7KPNFjxrswLs6JjZNL01PY/edit

Action: All to create partner profile and use links for partner updates

Abi, Riikka, Siobhan and Stuart Graham met to discuss initial next steps, but a follow up meeting is needed to decide on definite action. Changes to the Terms of Reference have not yet been agreed and the document is being redrafted. It was suggested that a small working group for the ToR will work on this after the COP26 period. **Action: Riikka, Abi, Siobhan, Stuart**

4. GCFP update

There are six working groups, one for each theme of the GCFP.

Food and Environment

- Riikka advised that Sonia Milne and Colin Hughes from Glasgow City Council have agreed to co-chair the working group and that she provides them with support. The working group met in August.
- GCFP has been aligned with Glasgow's Climate Emergency Implementation Plan, Glasgow's Ecological Emergency Implementation plan and the group will also make links to GCC Biodiversity Action Plan.
- Food has been included in the Sustainable Glasgow Charter. The group will also make sure food is included in the Sustainable Glasgow Partnership's work towards net zero.
- Sustainable Food Places Bronze Award for Glasgow was achieved in June '21 and funding secured for 2 years to allow GFPP to work towards silver award.
- Looking into working with Scottish colleges and Universities to develop research relating to sustainable food production
- GCPH/GFPP looking to organise event(s) with ZWS and partners to share learning about food redistribution.
- GCC and ZWS have been working on a food waste pilot project with 5 primary schools improving understanding about food waste. They will take this forward to education.
- GCC looking to liaise with the catering service can help reduce food waste in all areas of their work including events.
- GCC working with Food Connect Hubbub to develop community fridges. This work could possibly be linked with Glasgow HSCP.



Food Economy

- Riikka advised that Cheryl McCulloch from Chamber of Commerce chaired the last Food Economy meeting.
- It was noted that the City of Glasgow College, along with Zero Waste Scotland are looking to incorporate sustainability and food waste into the curriculum for catering courses.
- Skills Development Scotland are to be followed up in relation to their apprenticeship schemes in relation to food and catering.
- A meeting was held with The Scottish Government non-domestic rates team and they have produced a guide on this. Please let Riikka know if you'd like this report forwarded to you.
- The Alexander Rose foundation food vouchers have been looking at expanding in Glasgow and for increasing market spaces in Glasgow.
- Glasgow Community Food Network have applied for funding to increase growing spaces, particularly on vacant and derelict land.
- Riikka has also been working with Slow Food Glasgow on a sustainable food directory in advance of COP26.
- Stephanie Anderson is keen to join the Food Economy working group. **Action: Riikka to invite Stephanie to join the group**

Food Poverty - Good Food for All

- Siobhan advised that there was a good meeting in September with future meetings to run quarterly. Progress updates from partners had been given, with a focus on key pieces of work.
- Anna Bailey from CPAG had spoken about the Challenge Poverty Partnership in the city.
- Also there was an update on cash first projects in the city. 'Worrying About Money' leaflet was produced earlier in the year with IFAN and GCFN. Maria Marshall is a contact for this.
- Parkhead Pantry were in attendance and they are going to update the Pantry Network in relation to the GCFP.

Community Food

- Abi advised that Community Food working group had met also and the next meeting will be in December.
- Food Hubs are now in development; Mark Hanlon is looking into this. There are examples of good practice and case studies on the website.
- 'Food Education in Schools' subgroup has been created



- The group is working on an application for NHS-owned land
- Pay structure for community workers and co-ordinators is being looked at. John Casey has done some work on 'Glasgow Wage'
- Ylva keen to work up a joint 1 page proposal for community cooking sessions including food waste. Abi will invite Ylva to the next working group meeting. **Action: Abi**

Children and Young People (CYP)

- Lizzy Chairs the Children and Young People's sub-group along with Caroline Davren from Education. The first meeting was end of August with good representation from planning, catering and facilities management, along with health improvement colleagues. They went through the GCFP actions and identified leads and organisations, identified baselines for date and gaps, and provided updates.
- All the actions now have leads and they will be supporting the implementation. Most of the actions require a separate working group to take forward.
- In relation to free school meals, there is a working group established to complete the implementation for P5 – P7 between now and August 2022. Education and facilities management are coming together to discuss ways to increase uptake of free school meals.
- The group is also looking at 'Your Body Matters' education resources and Nourish is supporting work to develop more food education resources for schools.
- The group has also wondered if Holiday Food allocation should be looked at by CYP or the Food Poverty working group?
- Ylva noted that she has presented to GCC a primary schools education programme measuring plate waste in schools. The aim is to keep it simple, but it would be a good starting point.

Catering and Food Procurement

- No update available at present

5. Communications Working Group

- One of the recommendations from the GFPP Planning Day was that a Communications Working group would be set to make sure any work linked to the Glasgow City Food Plan would be widely reported.



- There is potential to hire a communications officer for limited capacity would be hired; their work would be informed by this group.
- Siobhan and Lizzy will look at NHS/HSCP budgets/possible time allocation for this
Action: Siobhan & Lizzy
- Riikka will invite GFPP partners (if they have comms capacity) to join the group sometime after COP. **Action: Riikka**

6. Partner Updates

- Link shared:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1BYwrOfWOuaV5S1PA7WPpjwYcyZnfrkRTZ?usp=sharing>

7. COP26

- Nourish is organising a programme of food related events for the duration of COP26
- Abi will be a panellist at various events including one organised by GUEST
- Riikka will join the food panel for GCC 'Girls at COP' event series at the Caledonian University
- Sandy Paterson will be speaking about food growing at a SFP organised event
- Glasgow City Food Plan (GCFP) video will be part of the Sustainable Glasgow exhibition in the Green Zone (GCFP)
- Glasgow has been invited to take part of Barcelona Challenge (linked to Glasgow Food and Climate Declaration) prior to COP26. Riikka has liaised with some council colleagues about using some of the GCFP actions as a basis for Glasgow's entry.
- Riikka is working with Slow Food Glasgow to finalise the first edition of the Glasgow Sustainable Food Directory before COP26

8. AOB

- Low Carbon Lunch was organised in all GCC primary schools as part of the SFP Day of Celebration and Action on 29th September. Riikka also organised Grant from Chef's Challenge to do a cookery demo in Hillhead Highschool.
- Riikka will be sending in an application for a SFP Food Economy Pilot Grant this week. It was decided this should concentrate on expanding the work already happening with restaurants in the city (Chef's Challenge, Sustainable Food Directory and the work of Circular Glasgow)



- There was a discussion about food waste, particularly food waste vs. plastic waste. Too Good to Go can be hard to manage by the convenience food sector. Gillian mentioned that G1 group has a system to distribute food waste locally
- It was pointed out that GCC schools have started providing free fruit in schools, but that this often comes wrapped in plastic. GFPP will investigate further.
Action: Lizzy to contact GCC School Catering
- Abi pointed out there is a Scottish Government consultation taking place on Agricultural Transformation at the moment.

9. Dates of next meetings

- Riikka will send a Doodle for this