

The Glasgow City Food Plan was launched in June 2021. It includes 76 actions aiming to make the food system in Glasgow more sustainable, equitable and healthy. Glasgow Food Policy Partnership (GFPP) oversees the delivery of the plan, working with multi-sector partners in the city, who help with the delivery of the actions. This is led by the Food Plan team, who each lead on one of the working groups linked to the plan: 1) Food Poverty; 2) Community Food; 3) Catering and Food Procurement; 4) Food Economy; 5) Food and the Environment; 6) Children and Young People; 7) Urban Agriculture. A working group on Food Education is also currently being set up.

You asked us: 'How do you check that organisations are not greenwashing and are getting recognition for sustainability that they are not doing'

Jill Muirie, the Chair of the Glasgow Food Policy Partnership answers:

A wide range of organisations and stakeholders are involved in these groups who are each at different stages in their understanding and actions in relation to sustainability. The Glasgow City Food Plan team do not endorse any organisation involved in the Glasgow City Food Plan work, including partners of the GFPP, as 'sustainable'. However, we do recognise that the food system as a whole is currently unsustainable and the Glasgow City Food Plan seeks to support a wide range of partners to work better together to address this. Part of this work is to guide and support partners and stakeholders towards more sustainable practices and to increase the pace and scale of progress across the city towards a better food system.

The Glasgow Food Policy Partnership has worked with stakeholders over several years to identify and develop actions which together will support the city to do this. We monitor progress on these actions rather than any one organisation's operations. For all actions, we have identified metrics to monitor progress which will normally be reviewed by the relevant working group on a regular basis. These metrics will often be recorded by a third party but may, on occasion be self-reported. We are working to develop a more robust set of progress measures.

Where we find that false information has been provided or reported, we will remove this from future reports. We will try to understand the circumstances and work with the partner(s) concerned to address the situation. If, however, an organisation is no longer able to work towards the Food Plan goals they will no longer be part of the Partnership.

This post is a part of our series, '**Your Questions, Our Partners**' where we ask one of our partners your questions about the food system and their work. You can submit your questions at bit.ly/yourquestionsourpartners