

GFPP MEETING
GFPP MEETING 23rd June 2022, 10am-12 noon
Online Meeting

MINUTES

Present: Abi Mordin, Riikka Gonzalez, Jill Muir, Mark Fitzpatrick, Siobhan Boyle, Mandy Morgan, Katie Sproull, Thalia Groucott, Donald Buglass, Anya Neisser, Stephanie Anderson, Lorna Hamilton, Una Cassidy, Julze Alejandre, Kelda McLean (minutes)

Apologies: Ylva Haglund, Gillian Edgar, Laura Muir, Louise MacKenzie, Pete Ritchie, Carolyn Davren, Kathleen Caskie, Anna Chadwick, Cheryl McCulloch, Nicola Howie, Laura Muir, Scott Crawford, Nicola Howie, Simon Kenton-Lake, Helen Trail, Madeleine Gomes, Magdalen Lambkin, Claire Hislop

1. Welcome and apologies

Jill welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised that she has taken over as Chair, following on from Abi Mordin.

Riikka advised that Louise MacKenzie of Glasgow City Council and Ylva Haglund of Zero Waste Scotland are leaving their current roles and hence the partnership, Both were thanked sincerely for their input and contribution over the last few years.

2. Note of last meeting and matters arising

All items covered in agenda items. Minutes were agreed as accurate.

Matters arising – Jill advised that the husting events for the recent Council Elections had been very successful and helpful and thanked those involved in arranging them.

3. Glasgow City Food Plan Annual Reporting, Jill Muir

The annual report is planned for September this year. It is 1 year since the city food plan was launched. The 10 year plan is meant to evolve and not be static. The food plan team will undertake an annual review looking at various different aspects. There will be a brief survey of members and this will be sent out soon.

Reporting on each 6 working groups.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jKdrB2QkfdggTgfRVk3NDLZtV0qb8zI5/edit>

There also also three cross cutting themed groups: Communications, Urban Agriculture and Education, which is planned for next year.

Abi noted that the Urban Agriculture Working Group should be added to the worksheet.

Action: Riikka/Abi

Working group members will be emailed shortly to ask if they would like to continue in the role or if they would like to nominate someone else. All were invited to join a working group if they have not already done so. New members of GFPP were encouraged to email Riikka and she will make these thinks. **Action: All to note**

In terms of the Plan, Jill asked if it still seemed relevant and if it covers any emerging issues or areas of focus that should be considered for inclusion? The cost of living crisis has been a more recent development and Siobhan asked if increasing awareness of sources of support could be highlighted.

Abi raised the issue of carbon reduction and climate emissions and asked if this should be linked to targets. Jill advised that she is developing links with the Sustainable Glasgow partnership and Riikka advised that the Glasgow City Council Climate Action Plan team is also looking at setting potential targets. Mandy advised that the Scottish Pantry Network will be linking with a farmer in Torrance who work to improve soil health and nutrient density.

4. Support from local government and new councillors

Jill advised that, in light of the new administration, we need to develop relationships with new councillors. GFPP members attended a councillor induction event in May and there are further plans for events and meetings.

Mandy advised that the General Purposes Committee Chair would be useful to link with, along with Angus Millar as Chair of the Environment, Sustainability and Carbon Reduction committee. He is also the new Convener of Sustainability & Carbon Reduction, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery.

Abi noted that it would be good to ensure that the Food Plan was included in the text of any new council plan going forward.

5. Good Food Movement Campaign Update – Thalia Groucott

Thalia provided an update on her new role and advised that she has already been involved in a number of events (including the launch event and Dandelion Festival), attending meetings and co-ordinating a series of podcasts, the first in relation to food growing. A number of social media links have been created as follows:

Instagram: www.instagram.com/goodfoodforglasgow/

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GlasgowFPP/>

Podcast: <https://open.spotify.com/show/49vltwtpxg2e0xZtXguoUpn>

There will also be an electronic magazine created and shared using Issuu which includes the collages made during the Dandelion festival. It was noted that hard copies could be made available and possibly linked with the planned seasonal recipe book.

Stephanie offered comms support and Riikka will send her the link to the Comms Group.

Action: Riikka

Going forward asked everyone to share the links to their networks; she will also link with other Comms Teams. She will also share the posters created for the Dandelion festival.

Action: Thalia

Riikka also asked for updates on any relevant upcoming events that Thalia could attend or link with. **Action: All**

6. Scottish Sustainable Food Places Network - Riikka Gonzalez

Riikka advised that there were now 13 Sustainable Food Places in the Scottish network, who meet around 4 times per year. There also an additional 3 places that have grants to develop their own food partnerships. Nourish Scotland is convening a small group to look at national governance and plans at Scottish level, both Riikka and Abi will be involved with this group.

Riikka Attended a SG session with other SFPs regarding advance results of the 'Local Food for Everyone consultation'. Full analysis likely to be published 29th June, and Riikka will share this with everyone. **Action: Riikka**

7. Menu Calorie Labelling Consultation – Jill Muirie

Riikka had recently circulated the GFPP draft response for comment. Jill asked everyone to contact her with any additional comments and she will make links with Lorna. **Action:**

All/Jill/Lorna

8. Good Food Nation Bill – Nourish Scotland

Riikka advised that the Good Food National Bill campaign Bill was passed last week and includes the addition of the Independent Food Commission. This is all due to hard work of the Scottish Food Coalition and Nourish Scotland. GFPP has also responded to consultations relating to the bill and GCC sent a letter to the Scottish Government during the development phase.

The Scottish Food Coalition have produced a new report on Scotland as a Good Food Nation: Why & How. This event is on 28th June if anyone wants to find out more

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-good-food-nation-for-scotland-looking-ahead-tickets-332864034287>

9. GFPP website updates – Riikka Gonzalez

Riikka shared the GFPP website showing new content and sections and advised that she will also continue updating it over the summer, and will think about ways to update the GFPP Charter. If you have any case studies/other content that could be included on the website, please send it to Riikka. **Action: ALL**

10. GFPP Partner Updates:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xYGOvXwL6bVSjo2Tilr2IMCKkSWcu4IN/edit>

As a prelude to the Demand for Land campaign, the [Food and Climate Action](#) team awarded 10 groups across Glasgow with £1500 each for projects relating to food growing and climate action in the community.

Following on from the Dandelion festival in Kelvingrove Park over the weekend, GCFN's Food & Climate Action team led on a week-long series of events all about growing in Glasgow. This kicked off with Solstice Celebration on Tuesday 21st of June where everyone and anyone was invited to the Pollokshields Bowling Green for food, dancing, drums and workshops such as Eco Drama storytelling sessions, wormery building, and activities linked to the Glasgow City Food Plan. Other events over the festival included a Big Networking Lunch at the Garnethill Multicultural Centre with talks from Glasgow City Council and local project Zam'munda; a climate cafe in west of the city in partnership with Kingsway Community Connections and a Friday of learning and networking at our 'So You Wanna Be A Grower?' event at the Hidden 24th June. Hidden Gardens 11-4.30pm Want to be a Grower <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/so-you-wanna-be-a-grower-tickets-353680867997>

Mark advised that Glasgow Eco trust are hosting a climate café <https://www.glasgowecotrust.org.uk/Event/food-and-climate-cafe-glasgow-west-thu-23-jun>

Katie shared that Interfaith Scotland have their IFJN Summer Networking event on Tuesday the 28th in Flemington House Springburn: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/interfaith-food-justice-network-summer-networking-event-tickets-354464170877>. This free event is for people from all backgrounds with an interest in community food and anti-poverty initiatives including foodbanks, community shops, fridges and pantries, soup kitchens, emergency support, financial services, migrant and refugee aid, family support, mental health groups.

Jill advised that there are discussions being started in relation to potential evaluation of the food plan and asked anyone to contact her if they had any thoughts at the moment or would like to be involved.

11. AOB

Riikka asked if anyone if there is specific food support is available in the city for Ukrainian Refugees. Apparently the Trussell Trust held a recent event and there are other



organisations such as the Scottish Refugee Council, Positive Action in Housing and British Red Cross in the city who might have information.

12. Date of next meeting

10am-12 noon on Wednesday 31st August

Main focus of the next meeting will be the progress report, with time for discussion and feedback.