

GFPP MEETING
29th March 2022, 10am-12noon
Online Meeting

MINUTES

Present: Abi Mordin, Riikka Gonzalez, Jill Muir, Mark Fitzpatrick, Siobhan Boyle, Mandy Morgan, Claire Hislop, Anna Richardson, Katie Sproull, Helen Trail, Thalia Groucott, Madeleine Gomes, Magdalen Lambkin, Donald Buglass, Kelda McLean (minutes)

Apologies: Ylva Haglund, Gillian Edgar, Laura Muir, Louise MacKenzie, Pete Ritchie, Carolyn Davren, Kathleen Caskie, Anna Chadwick, Cheryl McCulloch, Nicola Howie, Stephanie Anderson, Laura Muir, Scott Crawford, Nicola Howie, Simon Kenton-Lake

1. Welcome and apologies

Abi welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised it might be the last meeting that she Chairs.

Anna advised that she would be standing down at the next local council elections and this would be her last GFPP meeting.

2. Note of last meeting

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

3. Approval of revised ToR

The Terms of Reference document was recently circulated and some comments were received with edits made. The section 'Our Vision' was updated. The new version was signed off by those present. It will be revisited annually.

4. Next chair of GFPP (voting)

As Abi will be standing down as Chair, there was a discussion on who might be in a position as Chair. Jill advised that she would be happy to take on the role for a year. Anna advised that, at the last meeting, there was discussion on the possibility of having a political Chair,

such as the incoming Councillor. Anna advised that that this could be an option in the future and should be raised after the elections (June would be the best time to do this).

5. Campaigning at Council Elections – opportunity to raise profile of GFPP

Anna advised that manifestos are being written currently so writing to parties with (for example) three top ‘asks’ would be useful to go out just now as this could lead to inclusion in party manifestos. She also advised that some hustings are being held online and this could be an option.

Jill offered to email the candidates, based on the Terms of Reference. **Action: Jill** Kelda will assist with identifying emails addresses etc. **Action: Kelda**

We will invite all elected candidates to a presentation post election. Mandy recommended end of May/Beginning of June. **Action: Riikka to plan**

In terms of the hustings, Thalia offered support for this. Jill advised that GCPH and other public sector bodies have to consider Purdah.

Katie advised that Interfaith Scotland could offer tech support.

Abi will email those who have indicated supported and contact other community food organisations to see about arranging an online hustings. **Action: Abi**

Katie advised that we should be mindful of various religious festivals taking place in April and of Ramadan and is happy to recommend a suitable date. **Action: Katie**

6. Good Food Movement Campaign

Thalia was congratulated on being successful in the position of the co-ordinator for the Good Food Movement Campaign. She will be starting on 19th April and will be working on a communication campaign. There will be a soft ‘information launch’ on 6th May as ‘Made in Hackney’ cookery schools are offering to run a free event for chefs and caterers. There will also be tour of city of Glasgow college’s gardens and an update on food projects relevant to caterers.

Riikka confirmed that a communications working group has been set up to help us promote The Glasgow City Food Plan and the Good Food Movement Campaign.

7. Plant Based Treaty

Following on from discussion at the last meeting, Anna advised that Glasgow City Council were not in a position to sign up to the treaty but GFPP might be. Jill advised that sustainability was not included in the Scottish dietary guidelines. Claire advised that the EatWell guidelines did not promote a plant based diet, although it did advise against red and processed meat consumption. Abi commented that that, in Scotland beef was in some ways more sustainable than chicken and fish. Claire advised that she will keep GFPP informed as there are continuing discussions on how to incorporate both dietary and sustainability issues.

The general consensus was that, while there was support for most of the recommendations of the treaty, a fully plant-based approach was not part of the Food Plan overall so the GFPP will not be able to sign up at present.

Anna thanked everyone for their input and appreciated the consideration given to the proposal.

8. GCFP Updates

- Jill gave an update on the plans for Reporting & Evaluation. The main focus will be on the annual report to the Public Health oversight committee. This will be produced collaboratively with Theme Leads.

In terms of evaluation, Jill presented options including process evaluation and using baseline data from existing surveys and/or community engagement/panels. This would be presented in the phase 1 and phase 2 evaluation reports and a 10 year final report. There are also opportunities to bid for funding for specific pieces of research.

Claire advised that Public Health Scotland are able provide national data.

GCFN have appointed external consultants and some of the questions could serve both purposes.

Siobhan recommended linking up with the Adult and/or School Health and Wellbeing Surveys and also the Thrive Under 5 Evaluation.

- Working group Updates. This document was shared and contains an overview of work across each of the six thematic themes.
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1p3OFEZ8gFU9RjEZOMNDjjB9iJDpthSbw>
- Donald advised that he would be keen to offer his assistance to the lead of the Procurement Working group. Riikka will send an introduction to Louise Mackenzie. **Action: Riikka**

Jill advised that there was a recent discussion of Food Redistribution in the city and the challenges and limitations, including information. Mandy advised that GCVS might be working on a map.

Abi reminded everyone that they are welcome and encouraged to join a working group and Riikka will send an email reminder with more information on how to join. **Action: Riikka**

9. GFPP Partner Updates:

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

Some items were updated on the document and some verbal updates were given.

Magdalen spoke about One Big Picnic, which is a volunteer event that will take place in George Square on 4th September, which is Sunday. It consists of a free community meal provided by lots of different community food groups. They are hoping to make it more sustainable and to include locally produced food. Magdalen shared her email and asked all those interested to contact her. Thalia advised she would be happy to collaborate, perhaps with running an interactive stall. Abi will also contact Propagate. **Action: Thalia/Abi**

Siobhan advised that she has been invited to deliver various presentations including one with Gerry Quinn to the Poverty Leadership Panel to speak about the Food Plan and Thrive Under 5 project. Siobhan also provided an update on the Alexander Rose vouchers which have been extended to Drumchapel. Abi advised that a Market Garden is being planned for Drumchapel and links could be made.

Madeleine advised that a community fridge is being set up for the university that will be accessible from the Fraser Building.

Riikka advised that Simon has requested that local councils and food partnerships should write to MSPs to request an independent oversight board (and some other asks) as part of the Good Food Nation Bill. The letter is being drafted by the Food Commission. Anna recommended the Council Leaders' office as the best contact for this. Riikka will circulate the letter when available. **Action: Riikka**

The Scottish Food Coalition are also holding a day of action out Holyrood on 26th April, 10am till 3pm, in support of the Good Food Nation Bill recommendations. Everyone from the partnership is welcome to attend.

Mark advised that GCFN have an in-person networking event on Thursday 31st March at Kinning Park complex. Registration can be made [here](#).



10. AOB

Katie advised that Interfaith Food Justice Network will be circulating a newsletter soon, and asked for information on any relevant events or resources to be sent to her at katie.sproull@interfaithglasgow.org and she will include them.

Finally, thanks and appreciation were given to both Abi and Anna for all their work and support of the GFPP and Food Plan to date.

11. Date of next meeting

This will be 23rd June 10am-12noon, online.