

**GFPP MEETING**  
**20<sup>th</sup> April 2023, 2-4 pm**  
**Hybrid Meeting (in person and Zoom)**

**MINUTES**

**Present:**

Helen Traill, Adam Smith Business School GU  
Grace Brown, Adam Smith Business School GU  
Katie Sproull, Interfaith Glasgow  
Mandy Morgan, Scottish Pantry NW  
Julze, Scottish Pantry NW  
Kristina Nitsolova, GCC  
Ania Nieser, Third Sector Interface  
Lindsay Middleton, Food Catalyst, University of Glasgow  
Mairi Baker, GCC Education Services  
Sarah Morrison, NHSGCC  
Mark Fitzpatrick, GCFN  
Catherine Pendreigh, Soil Association  
Molly Davidson, GUEST  
Ashleigh Hall, Alexandra Rose Voucher  
Laura Muir, Scottish Excel  
Riikka Gonzalez, GFPP  
Thalia Groucott, GFPP  
Jill Muirie, Glasgow Centre for Population Health – GCPH (GFPP CHAIR)  
Kelda McLean, GCPH (minutes)

**Note of meeting**

**1. Welcome and apologies**

Jill as Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, particularly those attending for the first time.

**2. Note of last meeting**

Jill advised that most of the matters arising would be covered in the agenda items.

Jill noted that there was a discussion last time about the Glasgow City Council (GCC) and the extent the Food Plan is featured in GCC's new Strategic Plan. She advised that we subsequently have had some really useful discussions with GCC, and they're pulling together an internal coordination group that is going to work with us in terms of coordinating GCC's

work on the Food Plan, and so that the work is progressing. She commented that it will be good to have this kind of central coordination point within the GCC for that work.

The note of the last meeting was agreed as accurate.

### 3. Glasgow City Food Plan Update

Jill advised that updates from the working groups can be found here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lBPBf2QJeCTf-4MOLVAC9rarziRrmls6/edit>

Most groups have met three times, have Terms of Reference and have looked at indicators for the actions they are working on. Progress has been made on many actions.

Food Education working group is the newest group of the GCFP, which has only just started operating. John Meechan is leading this group, which will be looking at shared issues in terms of education from early years to food careers.

Jill advised that Food Summit will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at Glasgow City Chambers and will address the revision of the GCFP. Jill noted that the context has changed significantly since the last Food Summit, including the cost-of-living crisis and other policy changes. Planning is underway for the summit and Riikka thanked everyone who had sent ideas and suggestions. A draft programme had been shared in advance of the meeting. Henry Dimpleby was a popular choice as keynote speaker and Mark advised that his colleagues might have been in contact Henry in the past and could ask if they could send contact information/make an introduction. **Action: Mark** Ashleigh also suggested two GPs who she works with who are involved in food prescribing. **Action: Ashleigh will send the details to Riikka.**

Another suggestion was to invite elected members to visit a school and have lunch. Mairi also spoke about the new school resource 'Your Body Matters' and advised that introduction to the resources could be included in a school study visit.

Riikka asked if any organisations were interested in putting themselves forward for the events programme/fringe events/talks/workshops/study visit for the week surrounding the Food Summit, which is currently being planned. We hope to have a list of these organisations as soon as possible. **Action: ALL to send Riikka their suggestions by the end of next week (12<sup>th</sup> May).**

Jill noted that we could also provide links to any films etc as they could be shown/collated online. Riikka also mentioned the event will host a small exhibition area, where some partners can have a stall and where any food related toolkits/art can be displayed. A template for a GFPP art project is currently being designed based on the Glasgow Coat of Arms titled 'Let Glasgow Nourish'.

Thalia advised that Slow Food Glasgow will have a presence at the Glasgow Doors Open Day (11<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> September) through walking tours and we could also have a presence at the Doors Open Day. It was suggested that links are made with Gurdwaras, who often offer food as part

of the Doors Open Day. The deadline for applications is the 19<sup>th</sup> May. Lindsay also suggested the ARC Building at the University of Glasgow could be used to showcase University of Glasgow related food activities.

#### 4. Research wish list and support for current research proposals

Jill advised that we are regularly approached by people wanting researchers or students wanting to do some work with us, and so it would be good to develop a list of potential research topics, particularly where it can inform the different working groups.

A list has been pulled together which includes projects already underway. One of the points made by academic partners was that it will be useful to make this list available at the beginning of the academic year, so that students who are embarking on projects have sight of it when planning projects and that's something that we will endeavour to do. Jill asked if there was anything else that could be added to the list and, if so, to let her know. **Action:**  
**All to note**

Julze commented that they are launching a pilot for Alexandra Rose vouchers in the context of food pantries and ask if a case study evaluation of that could be added. He also noted that the topic of nutritional analysis of vertical grown food compared with soil grown food. Another would be the nutritional composition of food offered via food aid/pantries.

Mark suggested food access as a research topic of interest. Jill also advised that a scoping exercise is planned to map what food related research is currently taking place across the city and there will be a drop in event in the ARC Building at University Of Glasgow on 12<sup>th</sup> May where all researchers are welcome either in person or to send information. **Action: Jill to share link/All to note**

Helen also commented that Third Sector organisations might also have interesting/useful data being collected and would be useful to tap into this.

Grace advised that her role will be to look back over the last 2 years of the food plan, and to try and have a think about what successes have happened, what sort of barriers there have been and how we can make the food plan a success going forward.

She noted that her plan is to interview people from across the 6 working groups, and then put together a list of recommendations that then she'll feed back ahead of the food summit in September. She commented that she will get in touch with various people to try and arrange an interview.

#### 5. Funding Update

Riikka gave an update on the outcome of the various funding bids that had been submitted. GCFN Food and Climate Action (FCA) team were successful in their bid for National Lottery funding to fund an additional 3 years of work. The FCA team also secured some SFP funding to co-produce a Food & Climate storytelling toolkit targeted at BAEM audiences. Riikka noted that continuation of the Good Food Movement Campaign was unsuccessful in a

recent funding bid and asked for suggestions on potential alternative funding sources and she would follow these up.

**Action: All to note**

The Adam Smith Business School have received some funding that can be used toward the Food Summit.

Riikka asked for any funding calls to be raised with her for consideration. **Action: All to note**

## 6. Good Food Movement Campaign Update – Thalia

Thalia gave an update on her work so far and advised that her post has been extended for another 6 months so she asked for anyone to contact her in relation to collaboration. She also asked for inputs to the Good Food Stories section of the website. **Action: All to note** She will also be highlighting the work of the working groups going forward.

Thalia commented that she will be working on events with the Slow Food Youth Network and Garnethill Bread Oven, as well as the next podcast. She will also be working on producing a recipe book over the summer and asked for submissions. **Action: All to note.**

Thalia will circulate links to the event she mentioned. **Action: Thalia**

Mairi invited Thalia to the launch of Your Body Matters and will send the date to Thalia. **Action: Mairi**

## 7. Application for SFP Silver award - Riikka

Riikka advised that we have just received the physical Sustainable Food Places (SFP) Bronze Award from 2 years ago at the National SFGP conference. In terms of the Silver she noted that the expression of interest opens on the 11th May and you need to work on the submission between then and 21st September, with the panel making their decisions by 16<sup>th</sup> November.

Riikka commented that it's important to note that this the Sustainable Food Places award isn't just for the work of the GFPP - it's actually for all good food work taking place in the city. She advised that therefore the partner updates links that she sends out are really important for gathering that information and asked if these could be updated for your area of work as all of those things count towards the Silver progress. She also noted that being successful in the Silver award will hopefully open up access to some other funding streams as well. **Action: All to note/provide updates**

## 8. GFPP Partner Updates

These are accessible via this document:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1j8s\\_Xn14EnKF7wxAjdZLkpuuNITtdUfN/edit?usp=drive\\_web&oid=110435226436870287751&rtpof=true](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1j8s_Xn14EnKF7wxAjdZLkpuuNITtdUfN/edit?usp=drive_web&oid=110435226436870287751&rtpof=true)

Katie advised that the Interfaith Food Justice Network will be meeting again monthly to discuss issues they are facing. Partners are also welcome to attend and email Katie for the zoom links.

Molly advised that GUEST are setting up their community fridge again and there are plans for an Eco-Hub, which is space for sharing/swapping items, bike repair etc. This will hopefully be implemented over the summer for completion early September.

Ashleigh advised a pilot has been set up with Alexandra Rose and Ruchazie Food pantry for partner as distributor as well as a retailer. AR will be doing some evaluation work on that going forward. Ashleigh advised that there are already 45 families signed up out of the 50 allocation.

Mark advised that, following successful funding, there will probably be a GCFN Network meeting in June.

## 9. AOB

Riikka advised that Slow Food Glasgow will be hosting a Slow Food Festival on 20<sup>th</sup> May and GFPP could have a stall at the event. This will coincide with the launch of the updated Slow Food Directory.

Mark advised that Abi Mordin has moved to Dumfries and Galloway and will be stepping down from GCFN the end of June. **Action: All to note**

## 10. Date of next meetings

10-12 noon 21<sup>st</sup> June 2023, Online  
September TBC