# SFP Bronze and Silver Awards Application Form 2023

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Before starting your application, please fully read this form as well as the following documents:

- SFP Awards: Guidance for applicants: <u>SFP Awards Guidance for applicants.docx</u>
- SFP Awards: Activity and Impact: <u>SFP Awards Activity and Impact.docx</u>

# **SECTION 1: Information about your partnership and your place**

Please complete the following (\*= compulsory):

Name of your partnership*:	
Glasgow Food Policy Partnership	
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Geographic region which this award will represent*:	

Glasgow City	
Award you are applying for*:	
Silver	

#### Please provide us with background information about your place\*: Advisory word limit: 400 words

This is to help the panel understand the context in which you are working. You may include (but not limited to): Population and demographic information, location/geography & economic and social challenges.

#### **ANSWER:**

In 2021 Glasgow had a population of 635,130. Glasgow has the largest percentage of ethnic minority groups (12%) of all the selected Scottish cities. Glasgow has been led by Scottish National Party since May 2017.

Glasgow remains the most deprived city and local authority area in Scotland. 44% people reside in the 20% of most deprived areas in Scotland. In contrast, 6% of the population live in the 10% of least deprived areas in Scotland.

Many people in Glasgow experience food poverty and insecurity, made worse by the rollout of Universal Credit, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the Cost-of-Living crisis. Around 33% of Glasgow's children live in poverty and Food Inequality Inquiry in 2018 showed around 11% of people had experienced food insecurity in the previous year; this number is now likely to be higher.

In 2018/19, 74.5% of Primary 1 children in Glasgow were in the healthy weight range and 24.4% were at risk of overweight or obesity. Only 13% of children aged 2-15 years in Glasgow eat 5 portions of fruit and vegetables per day.

All eligible 2-year olds and children aged 3-5 years are entitled to 1 free meal, 1 free snack and 1/3 pints of milk each day that they attend nursery or a childminder. This applies in Council, Funded Provider nurseries and with childminders who are part of the Early Learning and Childcare scheme. Free school meals are available for all pupils in ASL schools, and for all pupils in P1 to P5 in Primary schools, with roll out to P6 and P7 planned for 2026. Around 40% of Glasgow's school children are currently entitled to a free school meal. In 2019/20 uptake of free school meal entitlement was 77% in primary school and 57% in secondary school.

Many areas of the city have limited local access to healthy affordable food sources. The scale of emergency food providers has continued to grow with over 40 foodbank delivery points and around 50 places providing free hot meals before the Covid-19 pandemic, during which it grew considerably.

Glasgow has a well-developed community food sector. Its collective voice is Glasgow Community Food Network (GCFN) which was established with support from the Glasgow Food Policy Partnership (GFPP) in 2017. GCFN is a core member, and previous chair, of the GFPP as well as being centrally involved in the development, leadership and delivery of the Glasgow City Food Plan. Hundreds of

people benefit from involvement in community food projects including community gardens, many food education and community meals.

Glasgow's catering and procurement for the public sector is a significant part of the city's economy. Glasgow City Council serves over 13 million school meals annually and NHSGGC provides around 10,000 meals per day. Glasgow's Colleges and Universities have a combined student population of around 120,000.

Glasgow has a thriving hospitality and tourism sector. Before the pandemic, the Food and Drink Sector contributed around £330million per year to Glasgow's economy and the food and drink service sector accounted for around 8% of jobs. However, as a result of the pandemic, Brexit and the Cost-of-living crisis many of the businesses have had to either reduce opening hours and close permanently.

More health and demographic indicators for the city can be found from <u>Understanding Glasgow</u> <u>website</u>.

How have you considered equity, diversity and inclusion in the structure and work of your partnership \*? Advisory word limit: 300 words

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We reviewed and expanded membership of the GFPP in 2019 to better reflect the diversity of Glasgow's population and we work closely with faith and ethnic minority groups. CEMVO Scotland joined the partnership at the time helping us engage with ethnic minority groups. In 2020, an Equity working group was set up to increase equity in the partnership consisting of CEMVO Scotland, Nourish Scotland and Glasgow City Council along with the partnership co-ordinator. Plans were underway to organise a consultation in this area, but then the pandemic hit and 2 of the working group members left their respective organisations.

In August 2021 after the launch of the Glasgow City Food Plan, we held a <u>partnership planning day</u> inviting new partner organisations to join aiming to make the partnership more inclusive. After the planning day following organisations joined to further increase diversity of GFPP: <u>Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector (GCVS)</u>, Glasgow Trades Union Council (GTUC), <u>Glasgow University Environmental Sustainability Team (GUEST)</u>, <u>Interfaith Glasgow</u> (as coordinator of the Interfaith Food Justice Network), Scottish Enterprise, <u>Scottish Pantry Network</u>, <u>SGF Healthy Living Programme</u>.

In recognition of the importance of inclusion we plan to undertake an Equality Impact Assessment as part of our first food plan review that is currently underway. Glasgow Centre for Population Health, the current chair and host of organisation for the partnership has expertise in this area.

#### **SECTION 2: Local food activity and impact**

Please read SFP Awards: Guidance for applicants: <u>SFP Awards - Guidance for applicants.docx</u> before completing this section.

Please describe the activity and impact of local food work delivered in your place within the last three years against the relevant key issues (1-6) and action areas (A and B) below.

We advise that you keep answers to within 600 words for each action area (i.e. for each A and B under the key issues). Whilst you won't be penalised for going over this limit, this will help the panel focus on your main achievements. For sections C, 250 words is the mandatory limit.

For Bronze and Silver awards, there are <u>mandatory actions</u> for some key issues. These are laid out in *SFP Awards - Activity and Impact:* <u>SFP Awards - Activity and Impact.docx</u>. This document also provides a broad benchmark for each award, rationale for SFP's inclusion of each key issue, and example actions for each action area.

Key Issue 1: Taking a strategic and collaborative approach to good food governance and action

Action area A: Establish a broad, representative, and dynamic local food partnership

- Glasgow Food Policy Partnership (GFPP) was established in 2014 with multisector partners following years of work on sustainable food, including <u>research</u>, <u>meetings</u>, <u>networking</u> and events (<u>food outlet seminar</u>, <u>sustainable food seminar</u>), <u>support for new initiatives</u>.
- Between 2014-2018 the focus was on establishing the partnership, improving knowledge and support, and bringing local partners together. Work included improving understanding about how the GFPP could support local action to address food insecurity in the city, undertaking research with partners/ stakeholders into aspects of the food system to help inform this action (e.g. food provision around schools, sustainability of community gardens and stalled spaces, interventions to improve the diets of young people, Roots to Market), building new and stronger relationships with key stakeholders and decision maker, establishing food waste projects and actions in schools and local businesses, launching a food policy for Glasgow schools, and further supporting our community food sector.
- In 2017, the new City Council committed to supporting the development of Glasgow as a Sustainable Place. This is also a recommendation in Glasgow's <u>Climate Emergency</u> <u>Implementation Plan</u>.
- In 2018 Glasgow City Council (GCC) launched a <u>food inequality inquiry</u> which included a number of stakeholder events to discuss the responses in detail. This mobilised support for more co-ordinated food work involving community Planning Partners. GFPP was tasked with progressing this and a number of papers were presented at <u>GCC Committee</u> <u>meetings</u>.

- In 2018 the Sustainable Food Place co-ordinator came into post and managed to quickly
  widen the partnership to include industry partners (Chamber of Commerce and Scottish
  Grocers Federation), new third sector partners (FareShare, Glasgow SW Foodbank) and to
  improve collaboration with NHS health improvement and GCC by involving a Councillor
  and Convenor for Carbon Reduction.
- In 2019 Glasgow held its first Food Summit with 150 stakeholders and participants, which lead to the development of Glasgow City Food Plan (GCFP) launched in 2021. After the launch of the plan, we held a partnership planning day inviting new partner organisations to join aiming to make the partnership more representative. GFPP currently has 21 full partners, and our 8 GCFP working groups involve around 80 organisations.
- GFPP has <u>terms of reference</u> updated in 2022. All partners are considered equal in terms of influence and decision making. Full partnership meetings are held 4 times/year, and minutes of meetings are shared on our <u>website</u>.
- The SFP coordinator is employed by Glasgow Community Food Network (GCFN) and hosted by Glasgow Centre for Population Health (GCPH). The partnership is currently chaired by GCPH.
- Funding for the co-ordinator has previously come from SFP network, Glasgow City Council and GCPH. We are currently looking for longer term, more sustainable funding.
- Since summer of 2022 the co-ordinator has taken an active role in the Scottish SFP governance group lead by Nourish Scotland. She has promoted the network/GFPP through presentations to other LAs (Dundee, Falkirk, Renfrewshire and East Dunbartonshire). The group has also met with the SG Good Food Nation team to talk about our work.
- Following the 2022 local elections, representatives from GFPP have met with new councillors to inform them of the work of GFPP, and made suggestions for the new Council Strategic Plan. GCC has now appointed a convener for the GCFP, as well as a group of council officers to work with the food plan team on actions led by GCC. In September 2023 we invited some councillors to join us on a Good Food Tour of Glasgow to continue conversations about sustainable food work in the city.
- GFPP regularly responds to city and Scotland-wide food related <u>consultations</u> and has also helped facilitate SG consultation events such as the Good Food Nation Bill, Local Food for Everyone, Right to Food and the Scottish Agriculture Bill.
- In 2019 <u>Glasgow</u> became the 200<sup>th</sup> member of the <u>Milan Urban Food Policy Pact (MUFPP)</u> and in 2021 signed the <u>Glasgow Food and Climate Declaration</u> ahead of COP26.

#### Action area B: Develop, deliver, and monitor a food strategy/action plan

- Following on the Glasgow Food Summit in 2019 GFPP was tasked with coordinating the development and delivery of Glasgow City Food Plan (GCFP). A city-wide inter-agency planning group was quickly established consisting of GFPP, GCPH, GCC, GCFN, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership and NHSGGC.
- After a period of data gathering and research into other food plans in the UK and worldwide, the group invited over 70 organisations to a <u>Development Day</u> in December 2019 to join one of the 6 working groups (Food Poverty, Community Food, Catering &

Food Procurement, Food Economy, Food&the Environment and Children&Young People) tasked at developing draft actions of the plan.

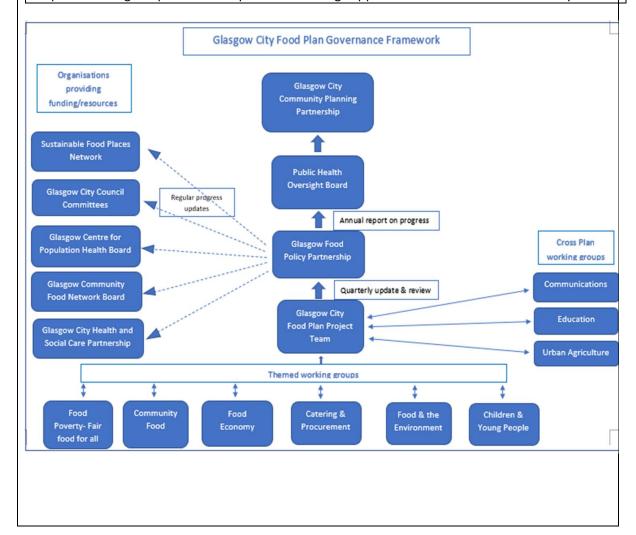
- A thorough consultation period with online events (due to the pandemic) and a <a href="communication toolkit">communication toolkit</a> took place between October-December 2020 after which the plan was revised taking into account the learning from the Covid-19 pandemic. In the end over 80 organisations were involved in developing the plan.
- The draft GCFP was considered at the GCC General Purpose Committee on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021, with the final version approved by the Community Planning Partnership on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021.
- The final 10-year <u>Glasgow City Food Plan</u> (GCFP) plan was launched an <u>online event</u> attended by over 300 people in June 2021. <u>A short animation</u> was produced and the plan got a lot of <u>press coverage</u>. GFPP involvement/support for/relevance to a number of GCC and Scottish Government strategies is listed in the plan.
- It was decided that GFPP would oversee the delivery and further development of the plan and produce annual reports to the Community Planning Partnership via the Public Health Oversight Board (see chart below demonstrating the governance framework)
- After the launch of the GCFP, in August 2021 GFPP held a <u>partnership planning day</u> inviting new organisations to join GFPP/GCFP working groups. Following the event the working groups were re-established with more members to deliver the plan actions.
- After the launch, further 3 working groups have been established in order to deliver the plan actions in a more focused way: 1)Urban Agriculture concentrating on food growing actions of the plan 2) Food Education connecting all the food education programmes in the city 3) Communications to widely disseminate information about the plan to different sectors and groups.
- Each working group is led by the GCFP Team consisting of GFPP, GCPH, GCC, GCFN, HSCP and HSGGC. Each group holds quarterly meetings and has its own Terms of Reference. GCFP team also meets quarterly to ensure linkages to other working groups and the overall plan. GFPP partners are part of the working groups along with a wider group (80+) of city-wide stakeholders.
- The first annual report was published in November 2022 summarising the progress, achievements, challenges and learning of the first year of implementation. This is available in following formats: <a href="full report">full report</a>, <a href="short summary">short summary</a>, <a href="magazine version">magazine version</a> and the <a href="Communications Pack">Communications Pack</a>. Highlights included: 1) Evidence of improved collaboration and coordination of work 2) New relationships and projects developing across sectors/organisations 4) Enthusiastic support from key stakeholders 5) National and international recognition.
- GCFP working groups have been reviewing the progress indicators of the plan, and in September 2023, the University of Glasgow <u>published its interim evaluation of the Glasgow City Food Plan</u> having undertaken a series of interviews with key stakeholders. This provided very useful feedback highlighting the support and positivity from stakeholders, but also noting some areas requiring work. These were summarised as prioritising actions, increasing capacity and improving buy-in. These were discussed at the second Glasgow City Food Summit in September 2023 and plans are developing to revise the GCFP accordingly.
- Glasgow Food Summit 2023 was organised to update our participants of the GCFP progress and to present proposed priority areas for the plan going forward. We wanted to recognise new developments and contextual in the last 2 years and to ensure the plan evolves with any new developments in UK and Scotland. Participants also heard from other speakers from Scotland, Bristol and Copenhagen.

**C: Other information: Other activities and context** (Please see Section 2 above for guidance) (Mandatory word limit: 250).

In July 2022 the <u>Good Food Nation (Scotland) Act</u> was approved. As part of this the act local authorities will be required to publish their own good food nation plans. Glasgow is likely to be a step ahead of other areas due to the existence of the GCFP, and our team is often asked to talk to other local authorities about the work developing the plan.

The GCFP team is working with academics (such as newly established <u>Scottish Alliance for Food</u>) to identify and collate research that is relevant to the food plan, as well as possible future research collaborations so that the food plan continues to be founded on evidence.

The development of a clear accountability framework (below) and reporting mechanism has been helpful in raising the profile of the plan and building support from senior officers in the city.



Key Issue 2: Building public awareness, active food citizenship and a local good food movement

Action area A: Inspire and engage the public about good food

#### **Good Food for Glasgow Campaign**

began in April 2022, when a 'Good Food Movement' campaign co-ordinator was hired with funding from SFP and NHSGGC. 'Good Food for Glasgow' (GFFG) aims to increase knowledge about the work of GFPP/GCFP and to encourage more people to get involved in 'Good Food' activities in Glasgow. The communications and engagement campaign has engaged with various new groups in the city and has massively enhanced the communications for the work of the partnership via <a href="new social media channels">new social media channels</a> (followers: Twitter 1007, Instagram 626, Facebook 91, LinkedIn 123).

GFFG Podcast was created to showcase the city's Good Food work and food related topics. Monthly episodes have had 680 listens (an average of 50 listeners/episode). The episodes have included topics such as RLW employers, Cost-of-Living-Crisis, food growers in Glasgow and the SG Good Food Nation Act. The Podcast provides an opportunity to amplify different voices, such as different ethnic groups or people attending community meals. Each episode ends with a call to action allowing listeners to get involved.

This new role has allowed GFPP to amplify its communication messages and delivery of food related activities at events. Through our presence at events across Glasgow we have reached hundreds of people and directed them towards activities of relevant partners. At Dandelion Festival Glasgow in June 2022 we delivered a 3-day collage zine workshop, with 72 active participants. Overall the festival had 44,641 attendees. The collage activity has since been run in different settings and we have brought campaign activities to a further 20 events with an additional reach of ~ 400 people. More information on collaborative events can be found on Linktree under Good Food For Glasgow Events.

<u>'Good Food from Glasgow'</u> cookbook was launched at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Glasgow Food Summit, on the 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023. It is a collection of recipes from food-related organisations in the city. With help of additional funding these will be available in all of Glasgow's 33 libraries, on e-book offer and via community projects.

To coincide with the Summit, and in collaboration with <u>Glasgow Open Doors Day</u>, a <u>Glasgow Food Tour</u> was created showcasing some good food businesses and initiatives in the East End of Glasgow.

#### The GFPP Communications Working Group

was set up in April 2022 and consists of key GFPP partners. The group focuses on developing and strengthening the communications messages of GFPP, especially messages about the progress of the GCFP. The group is led by the SFP Co-ordinator and offers guidance on any GFPP campaigns, including GFFG. The group connects with new initiatives, promoting local and national campaigns, and shares best practice. Examples of this work include GFPP being promoted as part of the Running Out of Time campaign and relay race leading up to COP27 lead by Carbon Copy. The group also promoted Food Waste Action week, including social media posts aimed at different audiences and a Food Waste related podcast. We also promoted the International School Food Week and sent out a press release aiming to increase uptake of school meals in the city which was circulated by our partners.

In November 2022 the communications group produced the first annual report of the GCFP to highlight progress to date. This is available in following formats: full report, short summary, <a href="magazine version">magazine version</a> and a Communications Pack. We also created posters to inform people how to get involved with the GCFP; these and the summary reports were <a href="magazine version">translated to 6 most common</a>

<u>community languages</u> in Glasgow and circulated widely through Glasgow libraries and other citywide networks.

GFPP produces <u>newsletters</u>, updates its <u>website</u> regularly and shares a wide range of information via partners. GFPP has created blogs (<u>GCPH</u>, <u>Co-production</u>) and has been included in various <u>press</u> <u>articles</u> and <u>case studies</u> in the last 3 years. Several members of the WG attended media training in January 2023.

#### Action Area B: Foster food citizenship and a local good food movement

#### **Glasgow Community Food Network (GCFN)**

is the voice of the community food sector in the city. <u>GCFN</u> runs <u>several projects</u> and campaigns and organises <u>seasonal networking events</u> (80-100pp). Members receive a <u>monthly newsletter</u> with info about community food activities. Together with <u>Centre for Contemporary Arts Glasgow</u> it runs <u>Glasgow Seed Library</u> owned by the growers of Glasgow. Around 100 people have engaged with this work.

Food and Climate Action (FCA) is the current flagship project by GCFN. It was originally funded for 2 years (2021-2023) and has managed to get a 3-year extension from the National Lottery. The partnership project between <a href="Urban Roots">Urban Roots</a>, <a href="Glasgow Eco Trust">Glasgow Eco Trust</a>, <a href="The Space">The Space</a>, <a href="St Paul's Youth">St Paul's Youth</a>
<a href="Forum">Forum</a> and <a href="Central & West Integration Network">Central & West Integration Network</a> (CWIN) was set up to deliver many of the actions of the GCFP aiming to increase awareness of the links between food and the environment. The project has five key strands of activity 1) increasing urban agriculture within the city 2) engaging and empowering people of all ages through food education 3) establishing community-led green assemblies 4) supporting action around COP26 5) collating all learning in an online <a href="community food hub">community food hub</a>.

FCA Community Activators work in 5 different areas of the city getting communities involved in local 'good food movement' building events/information sessions. Both the GFPP and the GFFG co-ordinators liaise with the team regularly to link the campaign/our other work to already existing activities & groups.

The main outputs from the campaign so far include <u>Demand for Land campaign pack</u> highlighting the need for more accessible land for growing in Glasgow. The pack includes results from 'Demand for land' toolkit including <u>Groundwork: A Market Gardener's Toolkit</u> and other resources useful for communities interested in food growing.

The campaign team has made a <u>Young Growers Film</u>, supported a 24-week <u>Women in Farming</u> course in agroecological farming, funded by <u>Solace Women's Aid</u> Empowering Women fund delivered in partnership with <u>CWIN</u>. In June 2021, FCA team <u>awarded 10 groups across Glasgow with £1500</u> each for projects relating to food growing and climate action in the community.

The current stands of work include <u>Climate Crumbs</u>, a free Train The Trainer Session on food growing activities aimed at community members and students and <u>Composting for the Future campaign</u> to spark Glasgow's communities' involvement in composting and raising awareness of the importance of healthy soils for a healthy climate. The FCA project has reached well over 2000 people since July 2021.

#### Work of other partners

- Community Food and Health Scotland are working with the Scottish Government and community food networks (including GCFN) as part of the Community Food National Reference group to plan how the community food sector can be supported in the future.
- NHSGGC is developing a community food framework consisting of various priorities
  including building community capacity and cohesion, providing training opportunities to
  support employability, supporting the NHSGGC staff health strategy and provide and
  promote links to local food chains and supplies with a focus of reducing food miles and
  encouraging plough to plate where possible.
- GCFP team is organising a community consultation event titled 'Have Your Say'
   Community Event 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023 together with the Poverty leadership Panel group,
   One Parent Families Scotland and Govan Community Project.
- In 2020 GCC published its <u>Food Growing Strategy</u> after a proactive public consultation and engagement exercise outlining plans for communities to access land for food growing.
- Glasgow Allotments Forum links to 32 plot holders in the city and organises a series of food growing related events including the annual Potato Day (600pp) and FebFest (160pp)

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- GFPP was selected to take part in at art project by our partner <u>Glasgow Food Sovereignty Network</u>. A community artist created various food related works with the community under <u>'Let Glasgow Nourish'</u> banner. The idea was to 'rebrand' Glasgow's current coat of arms 'Let Glasgow Flourish'.
- GFFG Campaign and FCA team are organising a 'Community Cookbook' festival on 7th
  October 2023 to cook recipes from the 'Good Food from Glasgow' and other community
  cookbooks and exploring artistic approaches to food.
- GCFN ran the <u>Veg Cities</u> campaign 2018-2021. Every year this included a city-wide <u>'Chef's Challenge'</u> cookery competition between chefs from different sectors to create vegcentred dishes from locally grown vegetables. Over 50 restaurants and 20 growing spaces took part in the campaign attracting some of city's top chefs, smaller food enterprises and attention in the local media.
- Many other GFPP partners organisations produce and share food related newsletters/social media content regularly: <u>Zero Waste Scotland</u>, <u>Community Food and Health Scotland</u>, <u>Nourish Scotland</u>, <u>Obesity Action Scotland</u>, <u>College of Social Sciences</u>, Slow Food Glasgow, Glasgow Social Enterprise Network, Glasgow Allotment Forum.

Key Issue 3: Tackling food poverty and diet related ill-health and increasing access to affordable healthy food

Action area A: Tackle food poverty

Food Poverty -Fair Food for All working group was set up to develop the poverty actions of the GCFP. It includes a good mix of multisector organisations and is currently focusing on the Cost-of-Living-Crisis and delivering poverty related actions of the plan including:

- Gathering data of all the support available to those in need including work with the GFPP
  Communications working group to develop 'Are you Worried about Food' poster with a
  link to various support services available.
- Work with the GFFG campaign co-ordinator to produce <u>Cost of living podcast</u> in Autumn 2022.
- Child Healthy Weight project (<u>Thrive Under Five-TU5</u>) project lead by NHSGGC Public Health and Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership (GHSCP) aims to enable a healthy weight in the early years though a child poverty centred, whole system, pre-5 early intervention approach. The TU5 Project has ran in 3 neighbourhoods since 2021 and is funded until May 2024. TU5 has engaged with/supported 1827 families/people. Via the TU5 Financial Inclusion pathway, £306, 056.26 in financial gains has been achieved for families. The project has recently been <u>evaluated</u>.
- Linking with the Food Poverty Pathfinder group aiming to identify strategic steps to reduce people experiencing destitution and using foodbanks. The group has been looking at cash first/wider food/financial inclusion supports.
- The Scottish Pantry Network has continued to develop in Glasgow and is exploring ways
  to get locally grown food into local pantries. There are also other neighbourhood pantries
  in Glasgow eg. Well Fed Scotstoun Community Pantry and Central West Integration
  Network's Food Hub for asylum seekers.
- Alexandra Rose Charity with the help of GCC has provided fruit&vegetable vouchers to low-income families in the Dalmarnock area since 2020 and is looking to expand to other areas. AR Voucher scheme has also extended to the Drumchapel TU5 area in partnership with a local greengrocer and 3D Drumchapel, and there is a 9 month pilot in commencement in the North East (TU5 area) via Ruchazie pantry and local childcare centres.
- GCC has committed over \*£14m into supporting <a href="Children's Holiday Food and Activity Programme">Children's Holiday Food and Activity Programme</a> across the city since 2018. Data shows a combined total of 216,120 children and young people attending the programmes delivered in every electoral ward in Glasgow. Until Spring 2023 total of 2,471,627 had been provided by the service.
- In 2023, a GHSCP Emergency Infant Feeding Support Pathway was ratified. 2 awareness sessions will be delivered in Autumn 2023 to communicate the pathway to partner organisations. <u>A Cost-of-Living Guide</u> resource to support communities and organisations has been developed by HSCP staff and has been shared widely and is currently being evaluated.

#### During the COVID-19 pandemic, work in Glasgow included:

- In 2020 a multiagency working group was convened to share information on the city's response to food insecurity.
- GCC provided financial support to families eligible for free school meals: 32,000 people received Farmfood payment card (April-June 2020) in lieu of school meals. Cash payments were provided over holidays/school closures. From January'21 cash payments of £25/child were made to eligible families fortnightly.
- Because usual summer programmes could not take place, GCC made cash payments of £10/child/week for 8 weeks combined with the school clothing grants benefitting 36,000 children.

- GCC supplemented the national food box scheme with over 6,000 fresh food parcels/week and worked with <u>Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector</u>/other partners to establish the <u>Glasgow Helps</u> web resource/telephone helpline.
- In March'20 GCFN established <u>Food for Good (FFG) Glasgow</u> co-ordinating emergency food distribution to community groups. University of Glasgow provided storage space/delivery vans/furloughed staff and <u>Community Transport Glasgow</u> delivered healthy food items and helped with Fareshare collections to 20 organisations.
- From March 2020 to December 2021 GCFN ran <u>COVID-19 Response project</u> with 5
   Community Response Officers supporting pandemic food provision. It linked with the Independent Food Aid Network/Glasgow welfare advice centres and produced a <u>Cash First</u> leaflet March'21. The results on this work is available from the '<u>Tacking Food Poverty with the City Plan' report</u>.

#### **Action Area B: Promote healthy eating**

#### Healthy Eating/Healthy Weight Services/Courses

- In 2022 12 online cookery courses and 3 Digital Skills Cooking courses were rolled out across GHSCP reaching 167 people. These 6 week cookery covered ingredients costs/any minimal equipment needed to participate. <a href="Nutrition Scotland">Nutrition Scotland</a> (NS) delivered some of these in a targeted way. NS also works with third sector organisations and universities and has reached ~5000 people since 2019 through online and F2F services.
- In 2023, 12 face-to-face cookery courses funded by GHSCP and delivered by community chefs took place across Glasgow.
- GHSCP provided 14 REHIS Elementary Food Hygiene courses (169pp); 4 REHIS Elementary Food and Health courses (46pp) in 2022/23.
- NHSGGC also runs 'Henry', a diet and lifestyle programme aimed at young families.
- NHSGGC's <u>WeighToGo</u> (WTG) weight management programme for young people is delivered to young people (12-18 years) across Glasgow with BMI>25.
- TU5 project (section A) focuses on piloting a whole system, community food nurturing programme with families of pre-school children combining action on food insecurity/healthy eating/physical activity in 3 Glasgow neighbourhoods identified by the The Children's Services Planning Wellbeing and Mental Health (~ 10,000 population/1,800 pre-school children). TU5 provides neighbourhood support including help with financial inclusion/provision of cooking equipment/flat pack meals.
- HI supports work to maintain <u>Unicef Baby Friendly Initiative</u> (BFI) standards across the three localities in Glasgow City HSCP. In March 2023, the city was reaccredited as a BFI Gold Achieving Sustainability facility.
- Health Improvement supports the roll out of the Scottish Government Breastfeeding
  Friendly Scotland Scheme. To date, 45 organisations (2352 employees) have received
  training. Members include; Glasgow life, Early Years Scotland, Glasgow
  Clyde College and Elderpark Housing Association. Health and Social Work Admin Staff in
  our HSCP areas have also received training.
- GHSCP is working to recommence F2F breastfeeding support in localities alongside the breastfeeding network and National Childbirth trust (NCT) Glasgow Breastfeeding Buddies. Glasgow City HSCP is also working with The Breastfeeding Network to provide a breastfeeding telephone support service to antenatal and postnatal women. Between March 22 and August 23 approx. 250 women have been supported by the service.

- Scottish Government is currently developing a National Breastfeeding Friendly Early years Scheme which will be rolled out to Early Years Establishments in the City.
- HI continue to support the Breast Pump Loan Scheme in Glasgow. Pumps are provided via Local Health Visiting and Family Nurse Staff. As of April 2023, over 400 pumps loans had taken place in the city.
- Following a consultation exercise with parents/carers <u>Starting Solids</u> sessions will continue in a revised format.
- <u>Childsmile</u> Post Covid19, Oral health toothbrushing programmes across Early Learning and Childcare settings are being re-established across the city. As of March 2023, 71% of Early Years establishments who were previously involved in this programme had recommenced.

#### **Promotion of Healthy Food**

- <u>'Your Body Matters'</u> curriculum resource for primary schools was developed by HI colleagues and launched in May 2023. The pack covers topics of nutrition, physical activity, sustainability and food waste, and body image and self-esteem.
- Between 2021-March 2023 all GCC primary schools students received free fruit twice per week as a mid-morning snack.
- GCC school meals has recently won the <u>Healthy Living Innovation Award</u> at the 2023 Scottish School Food Awards.
- The Glasgow Sustainable Food Directory launched in October 2021 promotes the most sustainable restaurants, cafes and food shops in Glasgow. The questions for the hospitality sector to answer include 1) if all their meals include a portion of vegetables and 2) whether the venues are breast feeding friendly. More about the directory in section 4.
- Glasgow ran the <u>Veg Cities</u> campaign 2018-2021. Every year this included a city-wide <u>'Chef's Challenge'</u> cookery competition between chefs from different sectors to create veg-centred dishes from locally grown vegetables.
- A number of Good Food Groups as well as A 'Young People's Forum' are being established in Glasgow's schools.
- Good Food for Glasgow campaign promotes healthy, seasonal food in various different setting. More details in section 2.

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- Many third sector organisations across low-income areas work on promoting healthy eating. In 2022 GCFN created an <u>online Food Hub</u>, which includes details on food education, community meals and access to other foo related services.
- <u>Scottish Grocers Federation</u> works with independent retailers to promote healthy lifestyle through their Healthy Living Programme.
- Moogety Foods run <u>Dig In Community Food Shop</u>/weekly community meal/healthy cooking workshops/community garden (300pp/week)
- NGCFI run Springburn Community Food Hub/'6 Veg Barras' providing affordable fresh produce
- 'Made in Hackney 'cookery school came to Glasgow in April 2022 to provide 2 free <u>vegan</u> <u>cookery sessions</u> at the City of Glasgow College.

- St Paul's Youth Forum organises regular community meals/Veg Barra (200pp/week)
- <u>Baltic St Adventure Playground Food Hub</u> provide free meals for children and families
- <u>Woodlands Community Cafe</u> organises <u>weekly community meal</u> (80pp), community growing space, welfare advice.
- Kinning Park complex organised a weekly community meal, but this is no longer in operation due to lack of funding. You can find out more on our monthly podcast series.
- CEIS is supporting Community Transport Glasgow (CTG) and Glasgow Community Food Network (GCFN) to undertake a feasibility study into the potential development of a new food supply-chain service to Glasgow's community food sector. This service would be a response to a perceived gap in the sourcing, purchasing and delivering non-surplus food, which was identified through their pandemic partnership in managing the supply of emergency food provisions. The study will be completed soon.

#### Key Issue 4: Creating a vibrant, prosperous, and diverse sustainable food economy

#### Action area A: Put good food enterprise at the heart of local economic development

Our Food Economy working group includes members from multisector organisations including GCC Economic development and Planning, Chamber of Commerce, Glasgow Social Enterprise Network (GSEN), Glasgow Restaurant Association and local food businesses. The group delivers food economy actions including how to best support good food enterprises. Some of this work includes:

- Expansion of food markets has been identified as a priority area for the group and GCC is supporting a pilot of new vegetable markets around the city. 4 potential sites have been identified; first one in Whiteinch is to be piloted in Autumn 2023. The plan is for the markets to be financially self-sustaining. Currently there are 2 regular farmers markets operating, one in the West and in the south of the city. Each attract 30-40 producers. City Property Markets also run weekly fruit and vegetable markets in Bridgeton and in Govan. Currently Glasgow Wholesale Markets at the Blochairn Complex is a major distribution centre for fresh fruit and vegetables) and includes Scotland's only inland fish market. The site spans approx. 32 acres and works with thousands of independent food businesses.
- City of Glasgow College (CoGC) piloted a new accredited <u>Food Waste and Sustainability</u> units for hospitality students (SQA level 5) in Spring 2022 and will be running short courses with micro credentials for 2022/23. Another priority area for the working group will be to continue working with further education providers to improve sustainability education in order to improve employability prospects for the future workforce.
- Locavore, a Glasgow based enterprise runs 2 fully organic shops and a café in the city, grows much of its produce locally and offers a vegetable box delivery scheme. In the last 3 years it has also opened shops in Edinburgh and Kirkintilloch (just outside Glasgow). Locavore delivers ~1200 veg boxes/a week to their 1800 customers. Around 15,000 people visit its Glasgow-based shops per month. Locavore currently employs 75 people in Glasgow and has a turnover of £5 million. Research about the group's economic impact is available <a href="here">here</a>. In 2023 Locavore was allocated funding to maintain Bellahouston growing site owned by the GCC, has won several <a href="here">awards</a> and been featured on <a href="here">Countryfile</a>.

- 2022 Chamber of Commerce, GCC and Zero Waste Scotland initiated <u>Step up for Net Zero</u> programme, which supports Glasgow SMEs in their efforts to reach net zero by funding four-month work placements who will help the business take action towards net zero and circular goals. 8 out of the 39 participating businesses were either food/drink/hospitality related.
- <u>Slow Food Glasgow</u> is exploring the possibility of <u>Slow Food Earth Markets</u> a in Glasgow.

#### Strategies and programmes that support this work include:

- Glasgow Social Enterprise Strategy 2018-2028 aims to offer better support for the sector.
- Our partner <u>GSEN</u>has 200 members including cafes/catering businesses/community organisations and provides information-sharing, peer support and access to events and training.
- Glasgow's Economic Strategy 2022-2030 recognises the importance of developing developing a Green Economy
- <u>Circular Economy Route Map for Glasgow</u> 2020-2030 supports the production of more sustainable/accessible/affordable food and use of derelict urban land suitable for low carbon farming.
- GCCs Business Growth Programme funded by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund 2022-25 will be delivered by the Business Growth Team within Economic Development to help SMEs in Glasgow to grow by helping them to access a network of expert consultancy support. The Glasgow Business Growth Programme brings together the public, private, education and third sectors, to develop an unrivalled level of local support which will grow the city's economy in a fair and inclusive way.
- <u>Glasgow Communities Place Fund</u> is to fund an extension to Ruchazie Pantry including a café.
- GFPP liaised with <u>Scotland Food and Drink (SDF) Ambition 2030 Strategy</u> to recommend sustainable food is represented by the strategy.
- <u>Community Food and Health Scotland</u> offers support/advice on <u>funding</u> to community food organisations.
- Firstport offers financial support for SEs.

## Action Area B: Promote healthy, sustainable, and independent food businesses to consumers

- In 2021 GFPP teamed up with Slow Food Glasgow to develop a Glasgow Sustainable Food Directory in advance of COP26. The second version was launched in June 2023 along with a Sustainability Toolkit for businesses. The current version of the directory includes 14 restaurants, 7 food shops, 6 cafes. We asked restaurants and shops about the origin and environmental sustainability of the food sold on their premises; as well as questions about their impact on wider environment and community. Out of those who submitted their applications the ones scoring 75% or above of the maximum points possible were successful. We are currently applying for funding to grow the directory and hope to put

- on training courses for those in the hospitality and retail sector wanting to be included in the future.
- GFPP has linked up with <u>Visit Scotland's Taste Our Best accreditation</u> hoping to influence the future accreditation to become more sustainable. We hope to link this to our own food directory work.
- Good Food for Glasgow Campaign was launched to the hospitality sector in May 2022 with <u>speakers from existing 'Good Food Economy' projects</u>. Participants also had a chance to attend professional vegan cookery session by <u>Made in Hackney</u>.
- We have worked with the Poverty Alliance to promote the <u>Real Living Wage Campaign</u> to the hospitality industry including a podcast to showcase RLW employers promoted during the <u>Real Living Wage Week</u>.
- Circular Glasgow, a Chamber of Commerce Initiative, has ran some very successful campaigns for the hospitality sector including <u>Plate Up for Glasgow</u>, a hospitality-led campaign highlighting the issue of food waste and its impact on our environment and the local economy during COP26 in 2021. <u>41 hospitality venues took part</u> in this well publicised campaign supported by <u>GFPP blog</u> and <u>hospitality toolkit</u>. <u>Circular Glasgow Network</u> has 250 members including hospitality businesses.
- When Glasgow hosted the UCI World Cycling Championships in August 2023, Circular Glasgow organised another successful campaign <u>Grounds for Recycling</u> encouraging cafes and other venues (50+) to turn their spent coffee grounds into compost in the Glasgow Botanical Gardens. GFPP supported the campaign with a <u>blog</u> and a <u>podcast.</u> Ellen MacArthur Foundation published a <u>Case Study</u> on the recent Circular Glasgow campaigns.
- GFFG campaign produced a virtual <u>Food Tour</u> of the East end of Glasgow in September 2023 showcasing some good food businesses in the area.
- SFD established Experience Glasgow Food and Drink in 2021 in response to the pandemic to champion the interests of both the supplier (producers/manufacturers) and demand side (hospitality and residents), working towards better outcomes for our communities, businesses and the city. In 2022 they ran Made in Glasgow food tourism campaign.
- The GFPP team delivered some <u>activities during the GCC Education 'Food Careers Day'</u>
  (held at the City of Glasgow College) for high school pupils aiming to encourage intake of
  food related careers. The event was attended by 160 S2 students.
- GFPP has been encouraging people to buy local food through <u>social</u> <u>media/newsletters/GFFP campaign</u>.

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Some other good food businesses currently not included in the Glasgow Sustainable Food Directory include:

<u>Greencity Wholefoods</u>, a workers co-operative, is a sustainable wholesaler supplying ethical food products to many independent shops and restaurants in the city.

<u>Freedom Bakery</u>, a social enterprise, works with the Scottish prison service to offer employment opportunities.

<u>Toshie's Social Enterprise Café</u> which offers hospitality and catering jobs, runs a café and catering enterprise.

Award winning Jaw Brew uses left-over bread from a local bakery to make beer

## **Key Issue 5: Transforming catering and procurement and** revitalising **local and sustainable food supply chains**

#### Action area A: Change policy and practice to put good food on people's plates

Our Catering & Food Procurement working group has been leading the work on this. The group includes members from Soil Association, GCC, Scotland Excel procurement, NHS, Glasgow universities and Zero Waste Scotland. The group is currently concentrating on the following priority areas:

- Increasing proportion of locally sourced and low carbon produced food used in public sector catering.
- Developing community benefits methodology and community wealth building principles in public sector food contracts, that provides support for community food initiatives.
- Maintaining Bronze Food for Life Served here accreditation for school meals with the aim to work towards Silver. The group will also encourage other organisations to work towards the accreditation.
- Increasing communication and opportunities for SMEs and social enterprises to engage in public sector procurement and supplier development opportunities.

Some work of the group includes:

- GCC Catering and Facilities team has worked closely with the Soil Association Scotland to
  achieve the Food for Life Served Here Bronze award in 2021; this was renewed in the
  Autumn of 2022. In the current economic situation this is a major achievement for
  Scotland's biggest city and the catering team got recognition at the Scottish School
  awards for its work.
- The success of the Glasgow City Food Plan development and delivery paved the way for Food for Life Scotland's one year <u>Public Sector Expansion Pilot in Glasgow (April 2022)</u> to help increase the availability of fresh, local and sustainable meals in new public sector settings across the city. Because of this work, BaxterStorey has achieved the FFL award for its Glasgow based government catering outlets. Some other public sector organisations are currently working towards their awards.

- The importance of promoting and raising awareness of the public sector catering as a
  viable career choice has been discussed. Food for Life Scotland programme are sponsoring
  a culinary class for public sector cooks at the <u>Scottish Culinary Championships</u> to
  showcase/celebrate public sector catering careers.
- Initial meetings with the NHS National Services Scotland to discuss the potential for GCC and NHS procurement teams to work together to deliver SGs GFN ambition at a local level. Working jointly with 2 main food procurers in the city would have major implications on local procurement practises.
- Linking GCC food procurement team with the Scottish Public Food Forum hosted by Nourish Scotland with Scotland Excel and ASSIST FM.
- GFPP is supporting the <u>Scottish Pantry Network</u> funding bid to develop a local sustainable food growing project to help improve the supply of staple vegetables, grown locally and sustainably, to pantries.

#### Relevant strategies and charters:

- GCC launched its <u>Sustainable Procurement Strategy</u> 2022-2027
- Many further Education institutions are have their own sustainable food policies including <u>University of Glasgow</u> (34,000 students and over 9000 staff), <u>Caledonian University</u> (15,000 students/1,600 staff), <u>Strathclyde University Catering</u> and <u>City of Glasgow College</u> (40,000 students).
- All shops, cafes and vending machines in Glasgow NHS premises comply with their <u>Food</u>
   <u>Retail Policy</u> which promotes access to healthier food and drink choices for
   patients/visitors/staff and sets out nutritional specification for food&drink provided
   including vending machines. Their policy is aligned to National Standards aiming to
   improve healthy eating including <u>Healthcare Retail Standards</u>.
- Nourish Scotland worked with the <u>Scottish Event Campus</u> (SEC) and <u>Glasgow Science</u>
   <u>Centre</u> to increase the availability of plant based, sustainably sourced food options in
   preparation for the COP26 Climate Change summit. SEC has been accredited under the
   World Obesity Federation Healthy Venue Awards programme.
- The UCI Cycling World Cycling Championships in August 2023 created a <u>food charter</u> based on the <u>Good Food for Glasgow Charter</u> with added reference to the importance of nutrition in sport and sustainable and ethical practices. A questionnaire based on the one used by the <u>Glasgow Sustainable Food Directory</u> was also distributed to all the catering venues asking where they sourced their ingredients from. The results have been shared with the GFPP co-ordinator.

#### Action Area B: Improving connections and collaboration across the local supply chain

- The procurement group has discussed possible ways for local growers to supply Glasgow City Council (GCC) catering. The GCC procurement manager has attended a Food Economy working group meetings to discuss potential future collaboration with local

- growers. In September 2023 the GFPP co-ordinator organised a trip to a local growing site for a group of local councillors to help further these discussions
- GCFP aims to increase availability of, and demand for, food grown in the city region and is planning work with <u>City Region Deals</u> and nearby SFPs to bring about long-term strategic approaches to improving regional economies and accelerate inclusive economic growth.
- GFFP works closely with <u>Nourish Scotland</u> who together with the <u>Scottish Food Coalition</u> campaigned for the <u>Good Food Nation Act legislation</u> to help create shorter supply chains locally. GFPP has also helped facilitate Scottish Government's <u>Local Food for Everyone consultation</u>.
- Our partner Glasgow Community Food Network has been working with Community
  Transport Glasgow on a feasibility study on alternative supply chains, which could help
  smaller suppliers to access markets in Glasgow. Its 'Roots to Market' paved way for some
  of this work.
- Glasgow ran the <u>Veg Cities</u> campaign 2018-2021. The <u>Chefs Challenge</u> project, which ran for several years before the pandemic, established important links between hospitality businesses and local growers.
- GFPP and its partners GCFN and <u>Glasgow Centre for Population Health</u> have policies to use only locally sourced, sustainable food for catering at its events.
- Our partner Scottish Soil Association has organised 'meet the buyer' events in other local authority areas in Scotland, and we are exploring if this could also be done in Glasgow.
   Soil association also sits on the <u>Scottish Organic Stakeholder Group</u>, and runs <u>Organic Stakeholder Group</u>.
   September campaign. In the future we hope to link to this work at a more local level.

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The work in Glasgow was recognised in <u>Sustain's Every Mouthful Counts toolkit</u>.

Key Issue 6: Tackling the climate and nature emergency through sustainable food & farming and an end to food waste

Action area A: Promote sustainable food production and consumption and resource efficiency

- GCPP has Food and Environment working group established to take forward various related actions. After the launch of the plan Urban Agriculture Working Group was established to progress specific food growing actions and identify opportunities to increase access to land for growing, access to markets and better training in agroecological skills.
- Food and Climate Action (FCA) by GCFN was set up in 2021 to deliver many of the actions
  of the GCFP, including working within communities to increase awareness of the links
  between food and the environment. This included the <u>Demand for Land Campaign</u> which

received 'Food for the Planet' campaign funding. During COP26 the team put on various Food & Climate related events. FCA Project co-ordinator has been working closely with the GCC to increase sites for commercial food growing in the city including a proposal to turn an unused golf course in Ruchill Park into a multi-use greenspace and community food education site. The aim is that this site will be used for community food production using an agroforestry model. The project is currently looking into the possibility of developing this site as a model which showcases integrated social family housing, food education and food production in collaboration with Canal Mooring Scotland, Maryhill Housing Association, and Hyde 'n Seek Nursery.

- Through GFPP Nourish Scotland facilitated a Scottish Government Agriculture Bill consultation workshop in October 2022.
- <u>Propagate</u>, a worker led collective specialising in local, community and sustainable food projects, works with various organisations in Glasgow looking at sustainable land use and local agroecological food production, food waste and circular systems.
- Glasgow is home to two <u>Locavore market gardens</u>; 1 in Bellahouston Park and another one slightly out of the city overlooking Glasgow. Locavore has been working to improve Glasgow's food network by means of the production and distribution of organic and ecologically produced fruit and vegetables, as well as education around food. In addition to commercial food growers, they also have <u>60 plots</u> for individual food growing.
- <u>Washouse Garden</u> is another market garden in the East End of Glasgow combining commercial food growing with volunteer opportunities and community food education and they provide opportunities for local schools to get involved in the site.
- There are 90 community gardens, and 32 allotment sites in Glasgow. <u>Glasgow Allotments</u>
   <u>Forum</u> actively campaigns to increase the number of growing sites, and through the Food Growing Strategy Glasgow City Council aims increase both community and allotment sites.

   Examples of this are the new <u>Community Garden in Glasgow's East End</u> and <u>Growchapel Community Allotment Gardens (arcgis.com)</u> in the North West.

#### Strategic and systemic responses

Glasgow is committed to becoming a sustainable city. Not only did the city declare a climate and ecological emergency in 2019 but it has continued to put sustainability at the heart of its planning and partnership working. Some examples are included below.

- In 2020 GCC published a <u>Food Growing Strategy</u> after an extensive and proactive public consultation/engagement exercise. It outlines plans for communities to access land for food growing. In 2021 GCC announced that it will commit £200,000 of funding towards food growing in the city.
- <u>Circular Economy Route Map for Glasgow</u> published in 2020 includes actions relating to the local food system such as 1) carrying out an audit of derelict urban land suitable for low carbon farming, and 2) supporting the production of more sustainable, accessible, and affordable food.
- <u>Sustainable Glasgow</u>, a city-wide partnership, relaunched in 2020 aiming to make Glasgow one of the greenest in Europe/to support delivery of CEIP. A commitment to sustainable food is included in the <u>Sustainable Glasgow Charter</u>.

- Shortly after COP26 in 2021 Glasgow joined the <u>C40 Thriving Cities</u> initiative. This also includes visioning and developing a <u>City Portrait</u>. Sustainable food production has been included in these discussions and GCFP team is represented at these meetings.
- In 2021 GCC published <u>Climate Emergency Implementation Plan</u> (CEIP), which outlines how it will achieve the Net Zero ambition. This recognises and links to GCFP.
- In 2021 GCC signed the <u>Glasgow Food and Climate Declaration</u> prior to Glasgow hosting COP26. The Council Leader spoke at the launch in support of the declaration.
- Led by Glasgow University, a NERC funded programme of work <u>GALLANT</u> supports Glasgow's journey to Net Zero through an ambitious whole system approach comprising 5 programmes of work of which one is exploring improving the potential for sustainable urban food growing. GCFP is represented on this research programme team.
- Glasgow hosts the <u>Urban By Nature Scotland hub</u> which was launched at the Growchapel community growing site in Glasgow in 2022 and works on enhancing and sharing nature based solutions between communities.

#### Action Area B: Reduce, redirect, and recycle food, packaging, and related waste

Since 2021 the Food & The Environment Working Group has been concentrating on the issue of food waste and have:

- Instigated a food waste project which was led by the University of Strathclyde and took
  place in 2 primary schools and sought to quantify and better understand the amount of
  wasted food & associated behaviours. The findings were presented in summer 2023 and
  are being considered by the working group to inform future action.
- Supported our partner Zero Waste Scotland in running a 'Waste Warriors+' pilot in 5 GCC primary schools to develop resources for education/other support & encouragement to reduce student plate waste. This took place in 2020/21 and was impacted by Covid restrictions but the final resources are now available online for all schools to use.
- Our partner Zero Waste Scotland helped City of Glasgow College (CoGC) piloted a new accredited <u>Food Waste and Sustainability</u> units for hospitality students (SQA level 5) in Spring 2022 and will be running short courses with micro credentials for 2022/23.
- Supported the FCA team with their successful 'Food for the Planet'- campaign grant, which will be used to co-produce a 'Food & Climate' storytelling toolkit aimed at BAME audiences
- Participated in discussions with Glasgow City Council about the development and implementation of their biodiversity and plastic reduction strategies.
- Produced a range of communications during Food Waste Action week in 2023. This is
  included a <u>Food Waste related podcast</u> produced by the 'Good Food for Glasgow'
  campaign and members of the food and environment working group, and <u>social media</u>
  posts aimed at different audiences produced with the GCFP communications team
- Organised a <u>Food Redistribution Roundtable event</u> aimed at community groups in February 2022
- GFPP has worked with GCC as it develops implementation plans for <u>Glasgow's Resource</u> and Recycling Strategy 2020-30.

- Glasgow launched its <u>plastic reduction strategy</u> in 2019 is supported by the GCFP. To support the implementation, <u>promotion took place in local schools</u> to highlight the importance of reducing and recycling plastic.

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- The GFPP team has also attended events aimed at high school students to talk about sustainable food including a Food Careers Day organised by the Glasgow City Council and the City of Glasgow College.
- During the COP26 held in Glasgow the co-ordinator was part of a women-only panel at Girls at COP events organised by the Glasgow City Council. The videos recorded at the event are now being used as part of sustainability education at Glasgow schools and were also part of an art exhibition along with pictures taken of all the panellist from the weeklong event.
- Low Carbon lunch on the 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021 was instigated by GFPP as part of the CGFN and delivered by Glasgow City Council school catering. All of city's primary schools were served a vegetarian lunch and were delivered campaign materials on the day while GFPP co-ordinated organisation of a 'low carbon' cookery demonstration in one of the city's high schools.
- GFPP Co-Ordinator was a Panellist for the European FoodShift conference on <u>'Getting Food on then Climate Agenda'</u> in June 2021

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