The Glasgow City Food Plan
Progress and Future

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The Food System and Public Health

What is the 'Food System':

- Includes everything from "farm to fork"
  - Complex and interconnected processes and activities involving food production, processing, transport, retail, consumption and food waste management.

- It shapes, and is shaped by, health, the environment, economics, politics, and society, including:
  - Health (diabetes, weight, health inequalities, nutrition, children's growth and development)
  - Climate emergency
  - Ecological emergency
  - Cost of living crisis

- It **could** be instrumental in improving our health, our environment, our economy, our communities and our lives.

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The vision is for Glasgow to be recognised for its **good food** and as a city where tasty, healthy, affordable food is accessible to everyone.

Developed **collaboratively** over 2 years with involvement of many stakeholders and community groups.

A framework to help us work more effectively **together** to improve the food system in Glasgow city.



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Glasgow Food Policy Partnership (GFPP)

The GFPP includes public, private and third sector partners who worked together to develop Food Plan and now oversee its delivery. Partners include:















































Glasgow City Food Plan: Long term outcomes

1. Improved access to healthy affordable food and reduced food insecurity.
2. Increased understanding of the food system (including nutrition and sustainability).
3. More opportunities for communities to enjoy cooking and growing together
4. A thriving local food economy which promotes fair work and principles of sustainability.
5. Increased availability and use of seasonal, locally grown and produced food in or close to Glasgow.
6. Improved health and wellbeing as a result of improvements in our food system and food environment.
7. More food produced in ways that are good for the environment.
8. Reduced food waste, increased redistribution of surplus food, and reduced environmental impact from food waste.
9. Reduced greenhouse gas emissions (direct & indirect) from our food system.

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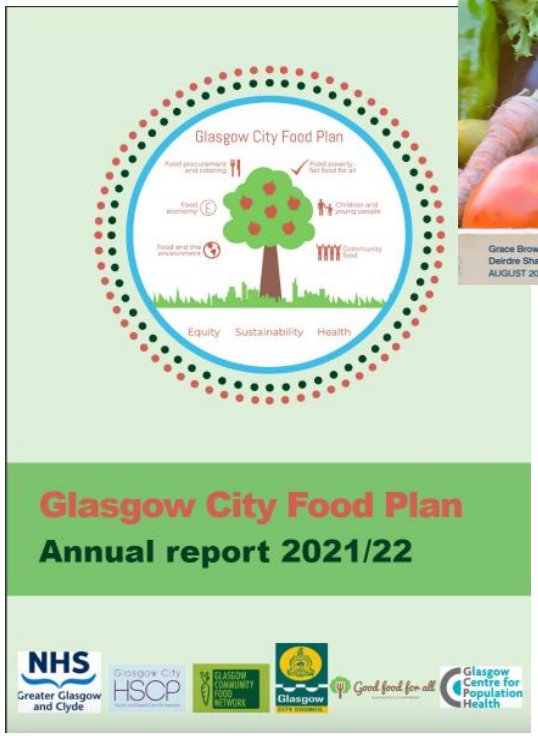
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An evolving plan

- 6 themes
- 9 cross-sectoral working groups
- Short and long term actions
- 10-year time frame
- Annual reports
- Learning and developing as we go
  - ➢ Revision in progress





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Six themes - and examples



- Fair Food for All: addressing food inequalities
  - Improving 'cash first' approaches
- Community Food
  - Delivering community food initiatives through the Food and Climate Action project (led by GCFN)
- Catering and Procurement (in the public sector)
  - Increasing the number of organisations engaging with the Soil Association's Food For Life Served Here programme
- Food Economy
  - Supporting and enabling more markets selling fruit and veg
- Food and the Environment (Reducing Food Waste & increasing Urban Agriculture)
  - Establishing a small urban growing space/farm
- Children and Young People
  - Improving food system education as part of the primary school curriculum (Your Body Matters)

- Any questions?
- A question for you: How can we better link the Food Plan with Area Partnerships?
- We’re keen to hear more about what is happening locally in relation to the food system, so please do get in touch.

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Additional information

Food Plan Development

- City-wide partners commit to Glasgow city food plan (2019)
- Core project team set up to co-ordinate the process
- 70 organisations participate in a planning day
- 6 themed working groups
- Draft plan produced (2019/2020)
- Pandemic pause: learnings from COVID-19 incorporated
- Consultation period from October-December 2020
- Accountability and review process agreed
- Launch of the 10-year plan, June 2021
- Annual review, 2022
- Food Summit 2023 and University of Glasgow evaluation

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