



Getting Food on the Climate Agenda in Glasgow

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Glasgow Food Policy Partnership



GLASGOW'S FOOD SYSTEM

Glasgow's food system is complex, interconnected and reaches well beyond Glasgow's boundaries. It involves all the processes needed to feed a population, including growing or producing food, distribution, and getting rid of waste. It is influenced by the economy, society and political factors and it affects our health and our environment.

1 in 3 children in Glasgow live in poverty - that's 38,000 children in the city

11% of people reported experiencing at least one event indicating food insecurity

Over **60%** of adults



and over **20%** of Primary 1 children are overweight or obese

78% report eating fewer than 5 portions of fruit or vegetables a day
and **12%** report eating none



In Scotland **21%** of tourist spend is on food and drink



There are over **5000** food and beverage industry jobs in Glasgow



Glasgow has 3 market gardens, around 90 community gardens and growing spaces and 32 allotment sites



There are also opportunities for more growing spaces on the city's large amount of vacant and derelict land: 1300 hectares across 925 sites



Public services in Glasgow have an important part to play in buying and selling healthier and more sustainable food and supporting more local businesses



Glasgow City Council has committed to working with partners to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030



Around **30%**

of the greenhouse gas emissions that drive climate change arise from the food system



The Glasgow City Food Plan can help guide us towards making a food system we are proud of, where everyone is able to eat healthy, tasty, affordable food that supports local business and minimises negative impacts on the environment

Search 'Glasgow City Food Plan' at www.goodfoodforall.co.uk

Aims of our food partnership

- **Everyone has access to fresh, fair, healthy, affordable food**
- **Growing and cooking food brings communities together**
- **The local food economy is thriving**
- **We can all enjoy and celebrate diverse, tasty and healthy food**
- **Our food is produced and disposed of in a way that is good for the environment as well as us**



Food & Environment Milestones for Glasgow

- Commitment for Sustainable Food Cities 2017
- Food Inequality Enquiry 2018
- Glasgow Food Summit 2019
- Declaration of Climate Emergency in 2019
- Member of Milan Urban Food Policy Pact (MUFPP) 2019
- Revival of Sustainable Glasgow Partnership in 2020
- Food Growing Strategy 2020
- Circular Economy Route Map 2020
- Climate Emergency Implementation Plan 2021
- Glasgow City Food Plan 2021
- Glasgow Declaration 2021
- COP26 2021



Glasgow City Food Plan



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GLASGOW FOOD POLICY PARTNERSHIP



Food Plan Development



- City-wide partners committed to a Glasgow city food plan
- A core project team set up to co-ordinating the process
- 70 organisations invited to a planning day
- 6 themed working groups set up
- Draft plan produced
- Learnings from COVID-19 incorporated
- Consultation period from October-December 2020
- Launch of the plan – 15th June 2021!



6 Themes



Food poverty -
fair food for all



Food
economy



Community
food



Food and the
environment



Food procurement
and catering



Children and
young people



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GLASGOW
COMMUNITY
FOOD
NETWORK



Climate actions of the plan

- Increased land available for food growing
- Better availability of food grown in the city region using agroecological methods
- Higher proportion of locally sourced and low carbon produced food used in public sector catering
- More food businesses to adopt circular economy principles
- Improved learning about sustainable food systems in the education curriculum in schools and colleges
- Plan aligns with city's environment strategies
- Improved understanding of food waste

Food and Climate Action Project

- Engaging and empowering people through food
- Establishing community-led green assemblies
- Increasing urban agriculture within the city
- Collating all learning in an online food hub
- Supporting action around COP26





Thank you

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