

**FeedingManchester #3 - Workshop 3: Helping to deliver.
Exploring partnerships and project ideas to help deliver the proposed actions.**

In this workshop people talked about their ideas for working in partnership on the actions that had been prioritised (from Manchester's Climate Action Plan, in workshop 2). Everyone then got into groups based on the action that was most relevant to their partnership idea and answered the following questions:

- 1) How we keep each other informed?
- 2) How do we avoid duplicating?
- 3) How do we explore new partnership working ideas?
- 4) Who else is working on similar stuff/should we involve?

The Action: For developing infrastructure for local commercial production.
1) How we keep each other informed? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Futures to send out draft of delivery plan for comments • FeedingManchester events and website
2) How do we avoid duplicating? Someone to take a coordinating role between all groups and projects – Food Futures/Kindling
3) How do we explore new partnership working ideas? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FeedingManchester • Food Futures bulletin • FoE Bulletin
4) Who else is working on similar stuff/should we involve? People from outside the city?

The Action: Develop the infrastructure to enable an increase in local food production within the community
1) How we keep each other informed? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email, sharing web information, twittering? • Technology could help but not everyone has access. • Difficult job. • In any way possible – don't think it's someone else's job.
2) How do we avoid duplicating? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good communication • Area focused • Standing proud and shouting about projects • Network facilitator – neutral • Co-ordinating role
3) How do we explore new partnership working ideas? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicating and best practice – asking for help. • MCC sustainable food conference • Mapping assets of NGOs across the city
4) Who else is working on similar stuff/should we involve? -

The Action: Education, Skills and awareness	Groups: Glebelands, Angel, Debdale Eco Centre, Hulme Community Garden Centre.
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1) How we keep each other informed?

Closed group on face book

2) How do we avoid duplicating?

Talking and boundaries

3) How do we explore new partnership working ideas?

- Tea, Biscuits and talking
- Post up ideas on face book

4) Who else is working on similar stuff/should we involve?

- Abundance
- Schools
- City Farms
- UU

The Action: Increase Education, Skills and Awareness

1) How we keep each other informed?

- Food Futures email
- Kindling Website
- News Letters

2) How do we avoid duplicating?

Target non environmental people

3) How do we explore new partnership working ideas?

- Networking events
- Open days

4) Who else is working on similar stuff/should we involve?

- Wider community
- Schools
- Eco schools/sustainable schools
- Celebrities/chefs?
- NHS

Partnership ideas:

Herbie and other food retail projects are supplied by local food producers

Herbie could work with local growers to sell some of their produce on the van

Herbie to work more with local organic producers to enable an increase in local food production commercially

Partnering Unicorn, Glebelands, Debdale, Hulme Community Garden Centre & Schools to increase education and training to school children and all ages, and combine shared objectives of each organisation and reduce effort in making links/connections (Ed Glebelands).

GOG to work with Bolton Council/PCT/other partners to develop a permaculture centre at Smithhill's Hall walled garden (Elizabeth Shepherd).

Co-op (the shops) can be lobbied by local members to donate food waste which would otherwise be skipped to local community food initiatives e.g. Riverbank, Fairshare & Abundance (Debbie Ellen).

All new street trees to be edible (fruit, leaves, bark or sap) and mature street trees to be under

planted with edible shrubs and climbers (Richard Smedley - cc-8y-SA – creative commons licensed).

A pool of horticultural equipment for communities and social enterprises to share
Council commitment on more local sourcing in public institutions
Electric or biodiesel (chip fat) delivery vehicles bringing food to city outlets
(Rob, Moss Brook Growers)

Resilience – Local authority Sustainable food procurement – existing Greater Manchester food purchasing contracts could be used to create framework for buying food grown within Greater Manchester for use by schools. Could still use Brake for distribution.

Every food growing group to have a partnership with Abundance or have an Abundance element to redistribute surplus food.

All schools to have a playground market supplied by local grower.
(Ruthie MCC)

Deliver training on food growing where community groups (partners) reside (what we will do in near future), and training on how to cook what they've grown.
Get local food to implement education activity – procuring food from farm to implement education.

Expand the Bio-regional model into food production (for developing infrastructure for commercial production).

Local community with Local food grower – intergenerational learning.

Action 1: Food democracy - Provide training and outreach work to turn resident's gardens into food production areas

Big event 500+ launching Manchester MFM (meat free Monday) and council offices pledge and publication of recipes by Manchester chefs that are meat/dairy free.

Target teenagers – promotion (individual projects), products, videos (you tube) – brand!
- Apple applications – nearest source of 'sustainable food' cafe, market etc.
School kids workshops at Scotts Avenue (Christopher Jaume)

Have a series of workshops to share key food growing/cooking skills.