



Edible Edinburgh Sustainable Food Plan 2022 – 2032

A city where good food is available for all, making for healthy people, thriving communities and a sustainable environment



What is a Sustainable Food Plan?

A food plan is critical in:

- Helping to make food more of a priority in your city;
- Realising the pivotal role it can play in driving positive social, economic and environmental change;
- Working together with a food partnership, the plan is central to establishing a joined up approach to food related issues

VISION... a city where *good food is available for all, making for healthy people, thriving communities and a sustainable environment.*



Our achievements

- An Edible Edinburgh partnership and wider sustainable food network;
- A Sustainable Food City Plan and vision for a Sustainable Food City;
- SFP Bronze Accreditation;
- Focused work plans for health, economy and sustainability;
- A Food Growing Strategy for Edinburgh.
- A coordinated proactive food programme response to Covid-19

Our Challenges and key tasks

What we need to do

- Satisfy the conditions to achieve SFP Silver Accreditation in June 2022;
- Implement Edinburgh's Food Growing Strategy;
- Look at developing a regional approach to sustainable food practices;
- Tackle food inequality, poverty and poor health;
- Contribute to Edinburgh's green recovery from Covid-19
- Help Edinburgh achieve our 2030 net zero emissions target;
- Do we keep going and go for Gold?

Edinburgh's Current Sustainable Food Plan

Outcomes

More fresh, healthy and sustainable food eaten	Fewer people living in food poverty	Our natural environment and resources are protected and conserved with fewer emissions	A thriving economy with greater diversity and in local food production and distribution	A transformed food culture with greater awareness and skills
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Aims

Health & Well-being	Land Use	Environment	Buying Food	Economy	Cultural Change
To create fair and affordable access to sustainable food and ensure people can use it to provide a fresh, healthy and nutritious diet	To grow, produce and distribute food more locally, while conserving and protecting our natural resources and environment	Use our natural resources more effectively in order to minimise our ecological footprint and reduce levels of avoidable food waste	To develop a thriving local food economy based on public and private sector businesses procuring more sustainable food	To develop a diverse independent food sector offering a variety of high quality skills, training, and employment opportunities	To inspire, enable and support people to connect with food & the everyday pleasures and cultural traditions of eating, sharing and celebrating meals together

SFP Silver Accreditation



1. Strategic and Collaborate approach to good food governance and action

- Establish a broad, representative and dynamic local food partnership
- Develop, deliver and monitor a food strategy/action plan



2. Building public awareness, active food citizenship and a local good food movement

- Inspire and engage the public about good food
- Foster food citizenship and a local good food movement



3. Tackling food poverty and diet related ill-health and increasing access to affordable healthy food

- Tackle food poverty
- Promote healthy eating



4. Creating a vibrant, prosperous and diverse sustainable food economy

- Put good food enterprise at the heart of local economic development
- Promote healthy, sustainable and independent food business to consumers



5. Transforming catering and procurement and revitalising local and sustainable food supply chains

- Change policy and practice to put good food on people's plates
- Improving connections and collaboration across the local supply chain



6. Tackling the climate and nature emergency through sustainable food and farming and an end to food waste

- Promote sustainable food production and consumption and resource efficiency
- Reduce, redirect and recycle food, packaging and related waste

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Objectives

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<p>Tackle food insecurity and diet related ill-health.</p> <p>Increase access to affordable healthy food</p> <p>Improve health and wellbeing as a result of improvements in our food system and food environment</p>	<p>Increase the amount and availability of land for local and regional sustainable food growing through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementing Edinburgh's Food Growing Strategy Developing a more regional approach to food production 	<p>Tackle the climate and nature emergency through sustainable food and farming and an end to food waste</p> <p>Promote sustainable food production & consumption and resource efficiency</p> <p>Reduce, redirect and recycle food, packaging and related waste</p>	<p>Transform catering and procurement and revitalise local and sustainable food supply chains through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change policy and practice to put good food on people's plates Improving connections and collaboration across the local supply chain 	<p>Create a vibrant, prosperous and diverse sustainable food economy through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Putting good food enterprise at the heart of local economic development Promoting healthy, sustainable and independent food business to consumers 	<p>Build public awareness, active food citizenship and a local good food movement through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspiring & engaging the public about good food Fostering food citizenship and a local good food movement

Example Actions

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Work in partnership to understand current levels of food insecurity in Edinburgh and develop a more coordinated response to tackling food poverty	Increase awareness and improve co-ordination of growing in Edinburgh through mapping of current food growing activity	Encourage sustainable growing practices and actions to protect Edinburgh's habitats and species	Work with the Soil Association to encourage take up of the Good Food Served Here Certification Scheme by public & private sector organisations across the city	Develop a feasibility study and business case for an indoor market and food hub	Develop a communications and engagement strategy
Improve awareness of and enhance access to healthy, fresh food in local communities	Support food growing in schools and Council housing land	Ensure food becomes a key part of the city climate conversation	Engage and align actions in this Plan with the Scotland Food & Drink Partnership's sector recovery plan	Bring partners together to explore opportunities to increase the production and provision of local, sustainably produced food	Engage with the public about good food to foster good food citizenship and a local good food movement
Tackle child food poverty through support for free school meals and delivery of the Discover! programme	Support development of Lauriston Farm and its potential for scaling up food production in the city	Reduce food waste, increase redistribution of surplus food, and reduce environmental impact from food waste.		Increase business awareness and engagement through promotion of sustainable food campaigns and Business Breakfasts	Hold 2-3 Food Network Events annually
Work in partnership to deliver food growing initiatives that improve health and well-being and promote social inclusion	Establish an online growers and community garden networks	Explore ways to engage with food businesses and restaurants to encourage reduction in food waste and adoption of circular economy principles		Increase education and skills opportunities in the sustainable food sector	

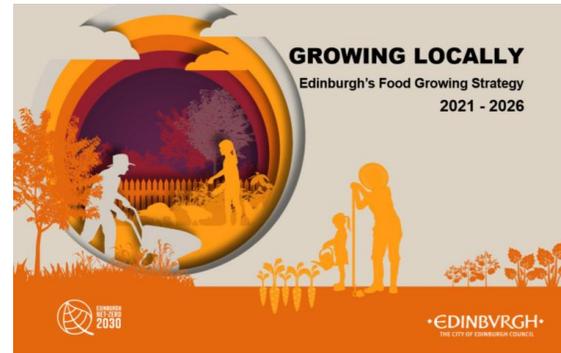
Sustainable Food City Plan Timetable



Edible Edinburgh - where are we now?



Developing the framework to consult on a new City Food Plan to run from 2022 – 2032



Engaging in the delivery of the Growing Strategy 2021 - 2026



Cultivating Communities, Allotment Strategy 2017 -2027



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