

Good Food in Greenwich Action Plan – Food and Farming Sub-Group July - October 2015



New information in blue

On-going or still needs work in red

Priority Action	What we're currently doing	What our plans are/What do we need to do?	Who/ How
1. Promoting Healthy and Sustainable Food to the Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodland Farm Open days – 7th June • Keats Organic Open Days • Community Gardens across the borough • School based growing projects across the borough • Link RBG Cookery Clubs to food growing (extra session). Moving one to Birchmere and are involved in the CACT, GCDA, RBG Health foraging walk • Fairtrade event • Food Growing Public Conference 23rd June at Woodlands Farm • Launch of Organic Greenwich April 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Conference and to carry on promoting at all other events • Recruit more local suppliers for Organic Greenwich • Linking community gardens to website – ongoing • To progress a borough-wide strategy started at the conference in June 	<p>GCDA GCDA</p> <p>GCDA to start and circulate for comments</p>
2. Tackling Food Poverty and increasing access to affordable food	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community gardens; established by TT & Groundwork • Estate based food growing has started at Flowers Estate & lease for new site at Spiral Gardens in Plumstead is being agreed • GCDA supports 4 growing sites across the borough where people can get involved in food growing – info here • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to map food growing spaces & have interactive map on website • Meet allotments re. surplus distribution (FG sub group) • GCDA to sign lease for Spiral Gardens • Network to supply information about food growing activity 	<p>GCDA & network JF /CP GCDA & network</p> <p>GCDA to develop project brief</p>

<p>3. Building Community Food Knowledge, Skills and Resources</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Well London Project has a local residents advisory group which has selected projects around growing, community cafes and community feasts which will receive grants • GCDA provides advice for all food growing projects • Hadlow College Courses • Schools – Food Growing Schools are working with 38 schools in the borough and will be at the conference • Woodlands Farm open days • Annual Conference to support food growing • GCDA presented at the Community Centre away day on June 4th to showcase the role food can play for community centres and the GFIG and GCDA offer • RBG, GCDA & CACT to incorporate foraging and gleaning into health walks. This is happening throughout November. Info here • Contacted gleaning network and are working with them to promote • Charlton Manor to host annual national conference around food • GCDA delivered a 1 day ‘How to set up a food growing project’ course to 13 participants • 60 Cookery Clubs per year now include a week of food growing - target 700 people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing partnership between GFIG and Hadlow College • Meet with Faculty Director of Research and Enterprise, Greenwich University to look at their International Agricultural Programme and how this could benefit Greenwich • ‘How to set up a food growing project’ dates for next year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 26th January • Tuesday 26th April • Thursday 14th July • Meeting with Greenwich Community College scheduled for 6th November • Talk to Linda Highton re skills in the borough 	<p>GCDA GCDA</p> <p>GCDA GCDA</p>
<p>4. Promoting a Vibrant and Diverse Sustainable Food Economy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm sub group meeting since Summer 2013 looking to establish a commercial urban farm • Keats Organic & The Box scheme • GCDA & GFIG visited Woodlands farm to discuss possibility of Chicken Farm on the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm - Continue to progress site development & secure funding • Grow up Farms – couldn’t find suitable venue in the borough • Keats/ GCDA box scheme to buy from local food growing projects • GCDA to contact Laurence about feasibility of Woodlands Farm – Orchard also to be considered • Trust Thamesmead are through to the second stage of a People’s Millions 	<p>Cllr Fahy & GCDA</p> <p>GCDA</p>

	'abattoir site'	Dare to Dream bid which includes GCDA and Keats to establish an urban farm and training and enterprise programmes	
5. Transforming Catering and Food Procurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GS + part of the farm group seeking locally grown produce for school meals production • Keats Organic • Schools food growing for catering • Made In Greenwich (GCDA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procurement sub group consider how to support purchasing from local food growers 	
6. Reducing Food Waste and the Ecological Footprint of the Food System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Made In Greenwich • Gleaning project has been launched on website and through network. Waste Services & Street Cleansing are partnering with this project to identify fruit trees • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linked to gleaning project • Promote gleaning project to increase engagement with public 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MIG to look at project, maybe volunteer led or transition groups