



Angus Food Growing Action Plan



In Angus we see good community engagement as a fundamental part of service delivery and design that adds value and has a preventative role. Within this context and the underlying commitment Angus has to decreasing child poverty the follow actions are illustrated:

No	Action	Lead Organisation	Timescale
2.1	Valued Community Resource		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to support and grow local organisations who have distributed emergency food provision to communities during the COVID-19 pandemic (Features in Local Joint Child Poverty Action Plan) 	People	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support new projects and assist groups and individuals create food growing initiatives either individually or in partnership 	Economy	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and provide advice and funding support to set up food growing projects & initiatives 	Economy	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore appetite and development opportunities from communities to develop community orchard initiatives 	People	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop an area on angus.gov to signpost local people to resources 	People	April 2021

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2.2	Improving Health and well being		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give our young people the best start through food growing and nutritional food – test of change with Tayside Contracts 	People	2021
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore and develop opportunities for individuals and group to engage with gardening activities 	People	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support and develop community gardens to promote social health benefits and community cohesion. 	People	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote through ACPP the benefits of community food growing that can be routinely used by the health and social care services as a way of promoting health and wellbeing for a range of individuals and population groups. 	People	Ongoing
2.3	Allotments and food growing as an educational tool		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry out an Open Space Audit to establish the availability of land, allotments and potential food growing areas 	Place	April 2021
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further develop the identified demand for community growing spaces 	Place	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify a range opportunities to deliver land for food growing – such as allotments, community gardens, stalled spaces, within new development etc. 	Place	June 2021

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2.3	Allotments and food growing as an educational tool <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide access to health and nutrition training and advice such as NHS Community Cookit initiative for food growing projects in Angus 	Place	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to support and work with schools to undertake, eco school status, Fairtrade school status food growing projects. 	People	Ongoing
2.4	Delivering a resource for improved biodiversity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link Food Growing Strategy actions to the Tayside Local Biodiversity Action Plan and Sustainable Energy & Climate Action Plan to ensure environmentally sound projects are championed 	Place	April 2021
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate options for integrating food growing / open green space provision into planning guidance 	Place	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote ecological sustainability by encouraging the use of plant based fertilisers and pest repellents and by supporting natural predator control e.g. bird and bat boxes, bug hotels and undeveloped areas in allotments for hedgehogs and amphibians. 	Place	Ongoing

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2.5	Supply a sustainable source of food		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify opportunities to support business to develop stronger links between local producers and local people 	Economy	2021
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote the delivery of the Mercury Programme to enable food innovation in partnership with the Centre for Agricultural Sustainable Innovation (CASI) as part of the Tay Cities Deal 	Economy	2021-25
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support Appetite for Angus and Scotland Food and Drink campaigns: Eat Local Farm to Fork and Zero Food Miles to strengthen local agriculture 	Economy	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with local producers to provide access to fresh food to support a healthy diet and sustain rural economy 	Economy	April 2021
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To secure collaborative procurement with local producers 	Economy	Ongoing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote FREE tender training and workshops delivered by Angus procurement team and Economic development partnership 	Economy	April 2021