

# Scottish Food Coalition



## Who we are

The Scottish Food Coalition is a diverse alliance of 80+ organisations working for a just transition to a fair, healthy, sustainable food system. Our members come from across the food system including those concerned with poverty, health, biodiversity, climate change and animal welfare, as well as trade unions, food producers and retailers, international development organisations and faith groups.

Established in 2015, we were instrumental in securing Scotland's Good Food Nation Act and provide support and expertise to Scottish Government, local authorities and health boards during the journey to achieve our Good Food Nation ambitions.

## Our key asks

The Scottish Food Coalition have four key asks to ensure Scotland truly becomes a Good Food Nation:



### **1 The right to food and the right to a healthy environment must be enshrined in Scots law.**

Legislation must ensure universal access to high quality and nutritious food, produced in a way that is equitable for people and the planet. This includes the right to live in a clean, healthy and sustainable environment.

### **2 The Scottish Government and Scottish Food Commission must work in partnership with civil society in the delivery of their duties.**

Co-design approaches must ensure sustained, timely, and equitable participation across decision-making, design, and implementation. Civil society's expertise, experience, and community connections are essential to achieving Scotland's Good Food Nation ambitions.

The Scottish Food Commission's 'Corporate Plan' must commit to this process by including participatory mechanisms for empowering civil society stakeholders from across the whole food system.

### **3 Scottish Government must adequately support and resource the development and long-term delivery of Local Good Food Nation Plans.**

Local Authorities and Health Boards must have sufficient guidance, staffing and other resources to ensure that Plans create meaningful change at a food systems level, cutting across all relevant service areas. This is in line with duties as laid out in the Act.

### **4 Local Good Food Nation Plans must be developed and delivered as part of fully collaborative partnerships.**

Local Authorities and Health Boards must work collaboratively and collectively with their local communities, and with those organisations best placed to support delivery of the Plans at a food systems level. Good practice should be taken from existing partnership models such as Sustainable Food Places.

# Our members



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