Welcome to the first edition of the Lincoln Food Partnership newsletter.

The Lincoln Food Partnership (LFP) is a network of public, private and voluntary sector organisations and members of the public who are working together to improve the sustainability of food and the food system within Lincoln.

It aims to ensure that everyone in Lincoln has access to fresh, healthy, affordable food that is produced and consumed in an ethical and sustainable way.

In achieving this, we will play our part in tackling the global issues of climate change and food security.

The Partnership is made up of eight Board members including Professor Nigel Curry and Caroline Kenyon who are Co-Chairs to the Board. Meet team and the rest of our team on our website.

Latest News

We are currently going through some changes to the team at the Lincoln Food Partnership.

Sadly, our Coordinator Rebecca Callow had to resign for health reasons. We are very grateful for all of Rebecca’s hard work over the last year to kick-start the network, bringing different food-related groups and organisations in Lincoln together.

We are planning to recruit a new Coordinator in due course, but in the meantime we will be keeping in touch via newsletters like this one and updates on our Facebook page and website.

New Manager at Mint Lane Café

Say hello to Alex Crow – the new general manager at Mint Lane Café!

Read the full story here

Lincoln Lidl Store Gets Neighbourly

The national charity Neighbourly has partnered with Lidl in North Hykeham to help staff manage their ‘back of store’ food surplus programme.

As a result, people can register to collect free food donations from the branch throughout the working week.

Read the full story here
Nigel Hits the Airwaves

Earlier in the year, Nigel appeared on the Lincolnshire Kitchen feature on BBC Radio Lincolnshire.

He spent an hour with Amy Claridge discussing everything from global food issues to do with climate change to food waste and food poverty.

He highlighted the work of the Lincoln Food Partnership, citing examples of city projects including Green Synergy, Mint Lane Café and Washingborough Academy.

Talk of national examples of best practice in local food projects raised excitement as things that might be developed in Lincoln.

You’re Never Too Old to Help Washingborough Academy Grow!

Children at Washingborough Academy welcomed their grandparents to the school to help them plant their new batch of vegetable seeds.

The school is also involved in projects which help connect it with farms and has worked with visitors from as far as Sweden, Italy and Portugal!

Read the full story here

Get Involved:

Sign Up to the Lincoln Food Partnership Pledge

In signing up to our pledge, you are committing to joining us on our mission to achieve a thriving, ethical local food culture in Lincoln.

The pledge is designed for individuals and businesses who want to take a more active role in improving the sustainability of food and the food system in the city.

We use the Lincoln Food Partnership Pledge as a way of arming people with the resources and information they need to play their part in the mission.

We are currently in the process of redeveloping our Pledge, further information will be released shortly.

Share Your Best Practice

We are always on the lookout for great examples of innovation and best practice that we can share with the rest of the network, so if you run a food-related project, are putting on an event or there is something happening in your area that you think others could learn from, please let us know!

Tell a Friend…

If you know of other people or organisations who would like to be involved in the Lincoln Food Partnership, please help to spread the word. Why not start by forwarding this newsletter to them?

For more news and updates, check out our website and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.
Help Lincoln Become a Bronze Level Sustainable Food City

The Sustainable Food Cities Award is designed to recognise and celebrate the success of those places taking a joined-up, holistic approach to food and their achievements in championing significant positive change on a range of key food issues.

As part of the network, we are working towards achieving the bronze award for Lincoln to highlight the city’s efforts and achievements in promoting healthy and sustainable food.

Find out more about the award by visiting: sustainablefoodcities.org/awards

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