

# OFFICIAL FEEDBACK FORM

<b>DIALOGUE DATE</b>	Thursday, 17 June 2021 18:30 GMT +01:00
<b>DIALOGUE TITLE</b>	How do we co-create a city with healthy citizens, a healthy food economy and a healthy environment?
<b>CONVENED BY</b>	Kyle Stott, Birmingham Public Health, Florence Pardoe, The Food Foundation
<b>DIALOGUE EVENT PAGE</b>	<a href="https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/19588/">https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/19588/</a>
<b>DIALOGUE TYPE</b>	Independent
<b>GEOGRAPHICAL FOCUS</b>	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

The outcomes from a Food Systems Summit Dialogue will be of use in developing the pathway to sustainable food systems within the locality in which they take place. They will be a valuable contribution to the national pathways and also of interest to the different workstreams preparing for the Summit: the Action Tracks, Scientific Groups and Champions as well as for other Dialogues.

# 1. PARTICIPATION

## TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

39

## PARTICIPATION BY AGE RANGE

0-18

8

19-30

21

31-50

10

51-65

66-80

80+

## PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

16 Male

23 Female

Prefer not to say or Other

## NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EACH SECTOR

1 Agriculture/crops  
Fish and aquaculture  
Livestock  
Agro-forestry  
Environment and ecology  
Trade and commerce

7 Education  
2 Communication  
3 Food processing  
1 Food retail, markets  
2 Food industry  
Financial Services

1 Health care  
1 Nutrition  
6 National or local government  
Utilities  
Industrial  
15 Other

## NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

4 Small/medium enterprise/artisan  
Large national business  
Multi-national corporation  
1 Small-scale farmer  
Medium-scale farmer  
Large-scale farmer  
4 Local Non-Governmental Organization  
International Non-Governmental Organization  
Indigenous People  
5 Science and academia

Workers and trade union  
1 Member of Parliament  
Local authority  
6 Government and national institution  
Regional economic community  
United Nations  
International financial institution  
2 Private Foundation / Partnership / Alliance  
1 Consumer group  
15 Other

## 2. PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

### HOW DID YOU ORGANIZE THE DIALOGUE SO THAT THE PRINCIPLES WERE INCORPORATED, REINFORCED AND ENHANCED?

Act with Urgency We have organised our dialogue within the time frame to feed back into the UNFSS and as soon as was possible given delays and complications due to COVID. Commit to the Summit Our insights and findings from the dialogue will not only be feeding into the UNFSS, but also the creation of a food strategy for the city of Birmingham, alongside other pieces of consultation. We are excited to share our findings and learn from those of others through the UNFSS process. Be Respectful All facilitators received training ahead of the dialogue to allow diverse voices to contribute and ensure any divergences were captured and managed in a respectful way. We introduced the session with a short piece from a speaker who outlined the importance of equality, health and sustainability as a holistic approach to a complex system in which all can live and thrive. Recognize Complexity As above. Embrace multi-stakeholder inclusivity We worked hard on a targeted, strategic approach to our invitations. We had some drop off on the day and didn't have as much representation from the private sector as hoped, in particular producers. However, in a super diverse city, we had a good mix of ethnicities. Complement the work of others As we have already undertaken a number of consultation projects in the city we worked not to replicate the questions and acknowledge this work and our findings in the introduction. Similarly, as there are other food system projects currently taking place in Birmingham we have communicated with one another to ensure we avoid stakeholder fatigue. Build Trust We are staying in contact with our attendees, being transparent about our process and keeping them involved in the process of developing our strategy.

### HOW DID YOUR DIALOGUE REFLECT SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPLES?

Captured above.

### DO YOU HAVE ADVICE FOR OTHER DIALOGUE CONVENORS ABOUT APPRECIATING THE PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT?

Put thought and time into your participant list. This was a considerably longer task than anticipated, but we reached new people.

# 3. METHOD

---

The outcomes of a Dialogue are influenced by the method that is used.

**DID YOU USE THE SAME METHOD AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENORS REFERENCE MANUAL?**

**Yes**

**No**

# 4. DIALOGUE FOCUS & OUTCOMES

## MAJOR FOCUS

The title of our dialogue was 'How do we co-create a city with healthy citizens, a healthy food economy and a healthy environment?'

We focused primarily on Action Track 2: Shift to healthy and sustainable consumption patterns

We aimed to explore the holistic nature of our city food system. In our introductory session our speaker framed the issue with the following narrative, aiming to highlight the broad and inter-dependent definitions of 'healthy' and 'sustainable':

What is a healthy food system? Healthy is not just about physical health, but the health of our environment, our communities and our economy.

The pandemic has thrown issues of access, health and supply into the spotlight. Showing strengths and weaknesses.

A lot of conversation around food in Birmingham is about health and access. We also have a climate and ecological emergency.

What is a sustainable food system? Sustainability is not just about environment sustainability, but about sustaining our health, our communities and our economy. Furthermore, our health and the future of our businesses depend on a functioning environment – climate, soil, pollinators etc.

Health and sustainability are hand in hand. We can't have one without the other.

We live in a world of interconnectivity and we can't solve any of these issues in isolation. We need to work together and to do this we need to understand where we are all coming from.

We are bringing together citizens, farmers, business owners, local policy makers and more.

In our breakout groups we discussed the following questions, before consolidating the conversations around the 3 questions on the facilitator feedback sheets:

Thinking about both yourself and the sector or groups you are representing today, what are your priorities for change in the city?

What can you do and what do you need other groups to do to help you achieve these goals?

Does sustainability feel relevant to you? If not, why not? What do you think could change this? If yes, why?

### ACTION TRACKS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 1: Ensure access to safe and nutritious food for all
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 2: Shift to sustainable consumption patterns
<input type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production
<input type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 4: Advance equitable livelihoods
<input type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 5: Build resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks and stress

### KEYWORDS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Finance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Policy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Innovation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Data & Evidence
<input type="checkbox"/>	Human rights	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Governance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Women & Youth Empowerment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Trade-offs
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Environment and Climate

## MAIN FINDINGS

urgent action

education at every level from schools to communities to businesses

focus on addressing food waste and creating circularity through composting systems within the city

facilitation of growing in the city primarily through urban planning and integration into developments

looking at financial levers

sustainability including carbon and packaging

nurturing a greater connection between local producers and the city

the need for a systemic approach and a recognition of the multiple levels involved throughout, from individual behavior to population level, from the role of communities to the role of local and national governments, as well as mention of international activity

multiple factors at play working in synergy and that actions and solutions were interdependent

requires effort from multiple partners across every sector

clear call for leadership and coordination, recognizing the roll that government has to play in facilitating and financing interventions.

Roles of organisations and individuals:

facility sharing

sharing of expertise

cross sector engagement

essentially, a more joined up collaborative approach

a shifting of mindsets and an establishment of a new norm.

Time scales:

impatience of those passionate about transformation was clear

a time frame of 10 years and three years, many commented that this was not soon enough

frustration that there was not support for existing initiatives and focus on scaling up their good work, and in some cases a sense of powerlessness to drive the change needed.

### ACTION TRACKS

✓	Action Track 1: Ensure access to safe and nutritious food for all
✓	Action Track 2: Shift to sustainable consumption patterns
	Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production
	Action Track 4: Advance equitable livelihoods
	Action Track 5: Build resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks and stress

### KEYWORDS

✓	Finance	✓	Policy
	Innovation		Data & Evidence
	Human rights	✓	Governance
	Women & Youth Empowerment	✓	Trade-offs
		✓	Environment and Climate

## OUTCOMES FOR EACH DISCUSSION TOPIC

### ACTION TRACKS

- Action Track 1: Ensure access to safe and nutritious food for all
- Action Track 2: Shift to sustainable consumption patterns
- Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production
- Action Track 4: Advance equitable livelihoods
- Action Track 5: Build resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks and stress

### KEYWORDS

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Innovation                | <input type="checkbox"/> Data & Evidence         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Human rights              | <input type="checkbox"/> Governance              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women & Youth Empowerment | <input type="checkbox"/> Trade-offs              |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment and Climate |

## AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

### ACTION TRACKS

- Action Track 1: Ensure access to safe and nutritious food for all
- Action Track 2: Shift to sustainable consumption patterns
- Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production
- Action Track 4: Advance equitable livelihoods
- Action Track 5: Build resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks and stress

### KEYWORDS

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Innovation                | <input type="checkbox"/> Data & Evidence         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Human rights              | <input type="checkbox"/> Governance              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women & Youth Empowerment | <input type="checkbox"/> Trade-offs              |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment and Climate |