

NEIGHBOURHOOD FOOD GROWING FESTIVAL

Sunday 9th June 1pm-4pm
Nottingham Arboretum
by the Bandstand NG7 4HF



Report by NGFP for Future
Food Beacon of Excellence,
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HOW DID IT GO?

Nottingham's first Neighbourhood food growing festival featured a range of workshops, talks, music, local food vendors and community growing spaces. The aim was to engage the public to show them what they can grow and to connect them with the Nottingham Growing Network. The event also provided an opportunity for local people to have their say by participating in the Good Living Citizen's Survey. NGFP as a Sustainable Food Cities Network Member works to their 6 key issues. This event met issues 1,2,3,4,6:

KEY ISSUE 1

Promote the importance of healthy and sustainable food to our diverse communities.

KEY ISSUE 2

Commit to eradicating food poverty and diet-related ill health by increasing citizen's access to affordable, healthy food through socially innovative growing and eating programmes.



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KEY ISSUE 3

Build on the historical wealth of community food knowledge, reclaim lost skills and revitalise undervalued assets.

KEY ISSUE 4

Catalyse a vibrant and diverse, sustainable food economy that expands local food production and shortens supply chains.

KEY ISSUE 5

Transform the relationship between catering and food procurement that prioritises local supply.

KEY ISSUE 6

Work towards a circular food economy, radically reduce the ecological footprint of the food system and aim for zero edible food waste.

THE EVENT DELIVERED:



**800 PEOPLE ATTENDED
- SMASHING EXPECTED
AUDIENCE OF 500**

7 EXPERT SPEAKERS

**8 COMMUNITY GARDENS, HUNDREDS OF
HOURS OF ADVICE GIVEN**

10 COMMUNITY OUTREACH GROUPS

3 LOCAL FOOD VENDORS (SOLD OUT)

3 MUSIC ACTS

**120 PEOPLE COMPLETED THE NOTTINGHAM
GOOD LIVING CITIZEN'S SURVEY**



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THE SCHEDULE OF TALKS



1.30pm NGFP - The Local Food Story - Penney Poyzer

2.00pm Green Future Associates - Promoting Urban Agriculture - Jeremy Illes

2.20pm Probiotic Love - Kombucha Demo- Dena Smiles

2.40pm Small Space Food Growing - Rachael Hemmings

3.00pm Seed Sovereignty - Xanthea Haynes

3.20pm Permaculture in Practice - Paul Paine

3.40pm Visioning a 2 acre Market Garden - Bethan McIlroy



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OTHER ACTIVITY:

Arboretum guided tree walk

Plants & Seedlings for sale

Allotment Growers

Potato Digging

Medicinal herbs

Grow your own herbs with recipes

Make a 'bird scarer'

Pulp Friction Smoothie Bike

Take home a plant for a chat



COMMUNITY GARDENS:

Summerwood Community Garden

Nottingham Organic Growers (NOGS)

Windmill Community Gardens

Arkwright Meadows Community Garden

Bulwell Forest Garden

Root Out

Nature in Mind

Woodthorpe Garden Centre



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MUSIC:

BeatFeet Drumming Workshops

Red Hats Band

Rise Choir



COMMUNITY OUTREACH GROUPS:

NGFP

Nottingham Growing Network

Friends of Arboretum

NCH Growing Club

Woodthorpe Plant shop/allotments

NCC Good Living Citizen's Survey

Social Farms & Gardens

Nottingham Green Festival

Surplus Produce Stall

Nottingham Skills Exchange



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