Hull Food Partnership
Growing a healthy and resilient food culture
Steps taken:
• Widen the partnership.
• Identify the key issues.
• Develop a food charter based around the issues.
• Further discussion around the key areas.
• Formation of sub-groups.
• Development of action plan.
Widening the partnership

• Started with a steering group with a small number of partners. Not representative of everyone working with food in the city.
• Map and identify organisations/ businesses working on the food agenda.
• Running a launch event for the Sustainable Food Cities work.
• Launch event to identify local issues, facilitated by Ben Messer from Food Matters.
• This work formed the initial outline of the food charter and action plan.
Next steps

• Running a series of focus groups to further explore the key issues and start action planning.
• Development of subgroups working on developing certain action planning areas.
• Use of google docs and emailing out draft action plans as consultation.
Successes

• Developing a plan with a participatory approach leading to increased ownership of the plan by the partners involved.

• Passion and energy in certain areas to drive action forward e.g. community food skills and knowledge.

• Action planning leading to partnership working and the ability to draw down new resources for delivery of the action plan e.g. Food Power, Funding for enterprises.
Challenges

• Participatory approach can be time consuming.
• Managing organisational politics/ developing trust.
• Developing action plans for areas with less representation e.g. business/ procurement is more difficult without further work.
• Time restraints of smaller organisations.
• Lack of resources/ funds to back up action plan.
• Support from Local Authority around the action plan is slowed due to council processes, elections etc.