

Classification	Item No.
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Meeting:	Bury Health & Wellbeing Board
Meeting date:	19.09.2023
Title of report:	Bury Food Strategy Progress Report (April 2022 – Sept 2023)
Report by:	Francesca Vale, Public Health Practitioner – Food & Health
Decision Type:	<p>Non Key Decision</p> <p>The purpose of this report is to make the Board aware of the progress made on the Bury Food Strategy during the timeframe of April 2022 – Sept 2023.</p>
Ward(s) to which report relates	All

Executive Summary:

This report outlines progress made from April 2022 onwards within the Bury Food Strategy. The Bury Food Strategy is divided into 6 key objectives - progress and development is spread across these areas.

The priorities of the Bury Food Strategy are that food in Bury is:

- Promoted and Celebrated
- Accessible to All
- Built on Education
- Vibrant and Resilient
- Resourced and Sustainable
- Connected and Collective

These priorities are based on the Sustainable Food Places Framework identifying 6 key areas across the whole food system and were developed in consultation with a wide range of stakeholders.

Recommendation(s)

That:

The committee comment on the Bury Food Strategy activity outlined in the Progress Report (April 2022 – Sept 2023).

Key considerations

Background

We successfully launched Bury's first Bury Food Strategy – Eat, Live, Love Food in January 2021, and formed the Bury Food Partnership in March 2021 with members from across the food system. The success of a food partnership depends on the active involvement of its stakeholders. The Bury Food Partnership convenes people to come together, drives forward the strategy processes, and communicates the partnership's work.

The Bury Food Strategy Vision is:

For Bury to be at the forefront of promoting and celebrating good food for all, through a knowledgeable, connected, supported and vibrant food culture.

Please see the attached Bury Good Food Charter.

The first year of activity was summarised in the Bury Food Strategy Annual Progress Report (2021-2022) and noted by the Committee. This report outlines progress made from April 2022 onwards within the Bury Food Strategy.

The proposal

Within the report you will see some of our key milestones and the breath of activity during this timeframe.

- Fast track applied for the bronze Sustainable Food Places award for Bury (Nov 2021 - April 2022)
- Achieved the bronze Sustainable Food Places award for Bury (June 2022)
- Bury Catering Schools Meals Service achieved the bronze Food For Life Served Here Award (Dec 2022)
- Bury procurement frameworks implemented promoting locally sourced food
- A Path to Pantry film and resource launched (Dec 2022)
- Exploration of models to support moving from food aid to food trade
- Active participation in networks tackling food poverty
- Nurturing access to affordable, local, quality produce via promoting Healthy Start at Bury Market for the first time (2023)
- National Recognition for our work underway

A complete summary of activity is contained in the attached Bury Food Strategy Progress Report.

Community impact/links with Community Strategy

Equality Impact and considerations:

Equality Analysis	<i>Please provide a written explanation of the outcome(s) of either conducting an initial or full EA.</i>
This activity relates to any person who engages with or is supported by any of the Bury Food Partnership members, and the wider Bury Food Strategy activity. It is in line with our commitment to good food for all. The Bury Food Strategy adheres to council equality and diversity standards, and seeks to reduce inequality and inequity through a targeted approach aimed at supporting those most in need.	

Assessment of Risk:

The following risks apply to the decision:

Risk / opportunity	Mitigation
No decisions required	.

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Background papers:

Bury's Bronze Sustainable Food Places application
Bury Good Food Charter

Bury Food Partnership pages:

<https://theburydirectory.co.uk/bury-food-partnership>

<https://theburydirectory.co.uk/bury-food-partnership-media-articles>

Please include a glossary of terms, abbreviations and acronyms used in this report.

Term	Meaning
SFP	Sustainable Food Places