

Reflective Questions for Mapping and Auditing

This document is designed to be used to analyse the results of mapping and auditing activities undertaken by Relevant Authorities as part of their preparation for developing a Local Good Food Nation Plan (as required by the Good Food Nation Scotland (2022) Act). We recommend that this could form one part of a workshop analysing the outputs of such activities.

It aims to inform the analytic and strategic use of data by Good Food Nation planning groups, helping them to develop the next stages of the planning process e.g. by prioritising activities and outcomes. It may also raise further questions to be answered before further stages of planning can take place.

Questions to consider when analysing this data include (but are not limited to):

1. What have we found when auditing and mapping our food-related activities?
 - a. Where are we well-provisioned
 - b. Where are there gaps?
 - c. Are we doing too much in some areas (and too little in others)?
 - d. What are we doing that should or would like to be doing?
2. Among the policies that we have identified are there any tensions/misalignments – for example, are different policies driving competing outcomes?
3. How flexible can we be when managing competing priorities around the different outcomes: how can we re-assign or combine activities to make money flow between different siloes?
4. Are we missing connections between existing bodies of work e.g. between school food, economic development and sustainability?
5. What can we learn from how the Scottish Government Good Food Nation team went about developing the National Plan (see Part 4 of the Plan for more details)?
6. How does our Relevant Authority's work on the Local Good Food Nation Plan relate to its work on other plans and statutory reporting responsibilities, e.g. Climate Change Plans and Local Child Poverty Plans?
7. How is the sequencing of different set of reporting activities affected by upcoming electoral cycles?
8. If your Relevant Authority is part of a Sustainable Food Partnership, what has been learned from this that can be transferred into work on the Local Good Food Nation Plan?