



Food Plymouth Partnership  
Network  
and Food Plymouth CIC

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## Overview:

**Vision** – Plymouth as a healthy and sustainable food city

**Mission** – Promoting local, sustainable, healthy and wherever possible affordable food as a driver for positive change

Through **Food Plymouth Partnership Network** – served, informed, supported and enabled by **Food Plymouth CIC** (an ‘inverted triangle’ model – the Network over the CIC)

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## History:

- Partnership Network 2010
- **Unincorporated organisation**
- Staffed and supported by Soil Association
- Plymouth Local Food Charter
- Action Plan 2011 – 2014
- **2014 - Established Community Interest Company (CIC)** to manage the transition from Soil Association direct support
- Sustainable Food City (SFC) (Bronze) 2015

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## Food Plymouth Partnership Network

- A **large multi-sector** Plymouth-based partnership supporting the vision and delivering the mission
- **Governance:** No formal membership criteria; Theme leads for each SFC area
- **Memorandum of Understanding** / Statement of Values / Code of Conduct

## Food Plymouth CIC

- A Social Enterprise (a business trading for people and planet) – a start-up SME
- Serving, informing, supporting and enabling the Partnership Network as the Network's **infrastructure organisation**
- Developing and delivering **social enterprise** activities and benefits to sustain and extend these services (direct delivery)
- **Adding value** (in every sense) by helping the whole be more than the sum of its parts, including: branding; presentation / representation; project design; and bidding / trading
- **Governance:** Board of Directors (appointed internally); No formal membership structure; accountability to Network through quarterly updates

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As Plymouth's SFC organisation the **Partnership Network** :

- Develops and delivers Plymouth's **SFC Bronze to Silver action plan** across the six SFC themes plus Fairtrade (facilitated by theme leads)
- **Partners deliver the projects**, sometimes solo – for example the COOL FOOD project, sometimes in collaborative clusters – for example around Sugar Smart
- Partners undertake Research (big R), develop strategy and exercise influence, especially around food and food-related matters, supported by the CIC
- **Food Plymouth CIC** undertakes research (small r), develops strategy and exercises influence, notably around **business and enterprise** – for example the RSA Inclusive Growth initiative

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As an **infrastructure** organisation the CIC

## Can

- Add value through encouraging partner collaboration – for example Sugar Smart
- Gap-fill
- Innovate

## Cannot

- Compete with / steal from with members / partners
- Show fear or favour
- Imitate



Promoting local, sustainable and healthy food as a driver for positive change



## A Plymouth-based partnership building a healthy and sustainable food city (Est. 2010)



- PROMOTING HEALTHY AND SUSTAINABLE FOOD TO THE PUBLIC
- TACKLING FOOD POVERTY, DIET-RELATED ILL HEALTH & ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HEALTHY FOOD
- BUILDING COMMUNITY FOOD KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, RESOURCES AND PROJECTS
- PROMOTING A VIBRANT AND DIVERSE SUSTAINABLE FOOD ECONOMY
- TRANSFORMING CATERING AND FOOD PROCUREMENT
- REDUCING WASTE AND THE ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT OF THE FOOD SYSTEM

We are a Bronze level Sustainable Food City, working for Silver and aiming for Gold



The Food Plymouth Partnership Network is informed, enabled and facilitated by Food Plymouth Community Interest Company (CIC)



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