# Working with businesses – Food City Bournemouth and Poole

# Why We Do It – opportunities and threats



The ethical food market grew to £5.4bn in 2005

Total UK tourism spend on food and drink in 2014 totalled £29.6bn

Eating out accounts for 22% of family food spend

A third of all food produced is wasted – 1.3bn tonnes

It takes 7-10kg of grain to produce 1kg of meat

40% of all UK food is imported

In 2009 30% of children in the UK were overweight or obese

26% of children in Bournemouth are in food poverty

# Selling yourself – it's a competitive market



Understand who you are.....

The Sustainable Food City Partnership, our me activity we support and develop are underpinned and beliefs. They guide both our strategic plann day-to-day work. They are what we stand fo

.....and what you have to offer

# Recognise it's a marketing offer



#### What does a business want....

Marketing advantage
Access to meaningful consumers
Corporate Social Responsibility
Employee health and wellbeing

To improve the bottom line and/or look great

# Know how you fit



Identify businesses and do your research

Know your hooks before you pitch You're not going to be right for everyone

Behave like an enterprising organisation

**Targets in Bournemouth and Poole** 

Food outlets
Large employers

Build a network through accreditation – visibility and a critical mass

### Our accredited network



AWARDING EXCELLENCE IN SUSTAINABLE FOOD

### **Accredited areas**



Sourcing local products



Sourcing sustainably



Managing waste & recycling





# Monitoring in partnership



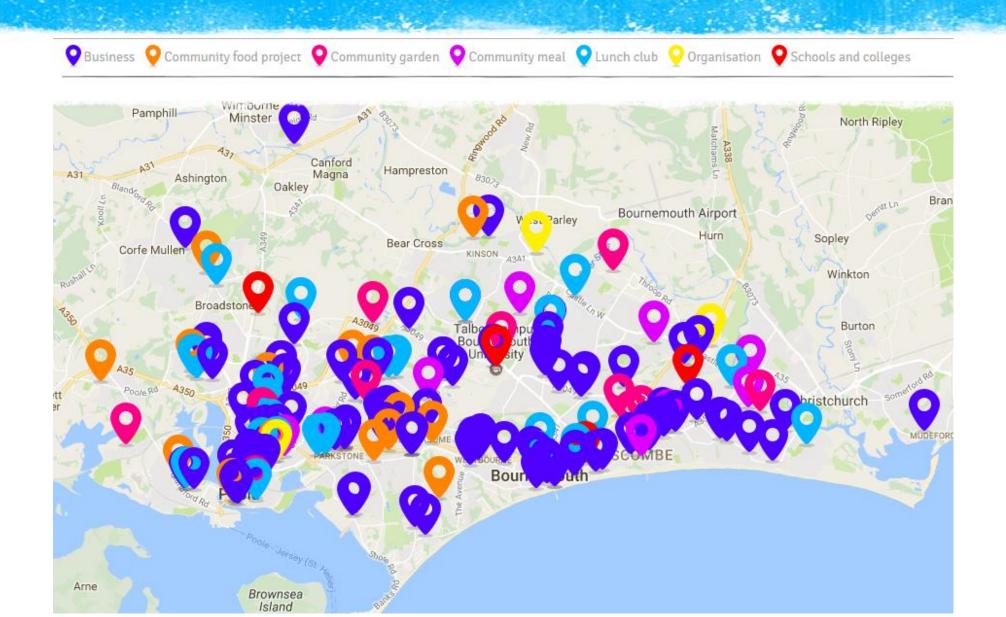








# What do they get



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Home » Arbor at the Green House Hotel

Arbor is a 2 rosette restaurant located in the Green House Hotel on East Cliff. Both the hotel and restaurant have sustainability at the heart of what they do and have been recognised as one of the top 'eco hotels' in the world.

Arbor continues to win numerous awards, not only for the quality of its food but also for the sustainability of their ever changing seasonal menu. The restaurant focuses on providing honest, uncomplicated but imaginative food with a huge emphasis on local sourcing. The relaxed atmosphere and keenly priced menu makes the restaurant a great place to eat, while knowing they've taken the headache out of making sustainable food choices. Arbor is one of the few

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#### Involvement

Arbor have been involved with the Sustainable Food City Partnership from the beginning, and in fact one of our first ever workshop events was held there. They are a founding member of and regularly participate in our Restaurant Hops, made the first ever pledge to our Sustainable Fish City campaign, as well as being generally all round amazing with their food sourcing policy. They also very kindly sponsor our Partnership and help us do all the things we do.



#### Sourcing local products

Wherever possible their products are sourced locally. They come from a variety of different local producers and details of each can be found on their menu. The staff are also more than happy to answer any questions about the local food they offer.



#### Sourcing sustainably

Not all products a restaurant needs can be sourced locally, particularly the after dinner coffee. When they can't find what they need from a local supplier, they ensure that they use Fairtrade products and ingredients as well as committing to our Sustainable Fish City campaign and only serving sustainably sourced fish.



#### Managing waste & recycling

As the menu changes to match the seasons and the availability of local produce, they only order in small quantities which minimises waste in the kitchen. The dishes provided are designed to be

### What's in it for businesses



#### Adding value through....

Positive association with a beneficial brand

The difference between local and national

**Promotional activities** 

Restaurant Hops

**Food Safaris** 

Good Food Fringe

Markets and events

Special offers and promotions etc.

Delivering on shared agendas

# What's in it for you



#### Adding value through....

Strength in numbers

Recognition of the sector

Strength in association Credibility Project partners

Increased resources – cash!

Sponsorship

Delivering shared agendas

#### Just remember



Know who you are

Have a clear and understandable offer

Understand the needs of each business

Bind them together in a community that has value

Give them an association to be proud of

Make sure you get something out of it too

Be entrepreneurial!