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Welcome to the Centre for Food Policy – one of the very few places in the world dedicated to exploring how the food system really works in practice and what policies are needed to make it work effectively.

We exist to shape a food system that improves the health of people, society, the environment and the economy. What we eat, why we eat it and at what cost are questions of growing importance. Food policy affects the people whose jobs involve growing, moving, processing and selling food, and this COVID-19 pandemic is placing increased pressure on every part of the food system.

Here you can find out more about our work, our strategy, our activities in 2019, our history and our Masters programme.

Featured profile



Professor Corinna Hawkes

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lighted by human activity, a loss of food and disruption to their habitat, our hedgehogs are suffering.
It is believed that there were around 30 million hedgehogs in the 1950s. Today, there are just one

This week (May 5-11) is Hedgehog Awareness Week - organised by the British Hedgehog Preservation Society (BHPS). A much-needed week of action, it will highlight what we can all do to protect our spiky friends.

Over at Shepreth Wildlife Park's hedgebog hospital yesterday (Tuesday), a stricken hedgebog was brought in stuck to glue on a rat trap. It was freed and then taken to a vet for cleaning up.

There are simple things we can all do to help. These include making sure there are CD case-aised gaps to boundary forces and walls to allow easy passage, moving piles of rubbish to a new site before burning them, checking areas carefully before moving or strimming, and covering drains and deep holes.

Cambridge Hedgehogs is a registered charity run by volunteers which formed this year.

Grace Dolman, from the organisation, said: "What we really want to push in Cambridge is our campaign, Hedgebogs without Borders, which is based on the national Hedgebog Street campaign to get people to put holes in their fences.

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"Hedgeboops can roam up to a mile
each night looking for food, and one
of the major reasons why their
population is in decline is because
they can't get from one garden to
another, so their habitat's quite

"All the latest research shows that actually gardens are where they're choosing to go, rather than large, rural open fields, so we've got a real opportunity in Cambridge to boost our existing population by making these small holes in the bottom of fernees."

With the destruction of bedgerows and the use of pesticides that kill the insects and slugs they eat, many farms are not friendly places for bedgebogs, and roads are dangerous to cross for them, so moving between gardens is important.

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Fut out clean, fiveh water and cat
biscuits or hedgehog food, leave areas
to grow to provide space for them to
forage and avoid slug
pedicts at all costs,
and you'll have a

chance of bringing these delightful nocturnal creatures into your garden. Cambridge Hedgebogs





has been collaborating with Cambridge City Council, which is encouraging as many residents as possible to make their gardens hedgehop friendly. People are also asked to report any sightings at bigwiesledgroup cry

The council's community engagement team is knocking on doors with streets and open spaces volunteers this week, and will be creating hedgebog highways in some areas – as well as helping residents who want to create hedgehog habitats in their gardens.

"In the city we're delivering 2,000 Hedgehog Society leaflets, to ask people to put holes in their fences and to provide food and water for hedgehogs," explained Grace.

"Cambridge Hedgehogs is also going to be sending a letter out this week to all the Cambridge colleges asking them to do the same – not necessarily in the colleges themselves, but in all the student residential reproperties. and some food out, you'd be amazed how quickly a hedgebog will arrive." The charity is also seeking a site for a new bedgebog hospital.

"We've in discussions at the moment about a potential site and are waiting to hear back," said Grace. "Shepreth is often over-capacity and particularly with the buby session coming us, they'll be overrun with hedgehogs that have been abandonsed, when the buby session coming us, they'll be overrun with hedgehogs that have been abandonsed, when the buby session is not a support of the constant is easier for people to bring animak in.

"But at the moment we're still at the planning phase of that, trying to find a suitable site – so if anybody has a suitable site for us, we'd be very interested in beacing from them."

Cllr Katie Thornburyew, executive councillor for streets and open spaces,

said: "I'm personally going to be doing some leathetting and, through my canvassing work in Cambridge, I know that in some areas there's born a huge drop in the hedgehog population, ospecially around the older parts of Cambridge where new

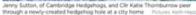
housing has been put in.
"The streets and open spaces team
have also got volunteers who can help
put in the hedgelong doorways."
Advice on setting up a hedgelong
habitat will be offered, weather
permitting, on Friday, May 10 at
King's Hedges recreation ground.

To get involved in Hedgebog Awareness Week contact the council at gestommers glound's day occurs. BHPS is boging to raise \$1,000 during Hedgebog Awareness Week. To denate to the 2019 shedgebogweek appeal, go to justificial component JAW 18.













Jenny Sutton, of Cambridge Hedgehogs, and Cllr Katie Thornburrow peer through a newly-created hedgehog hole at a city home Pictures: Keith Heppell







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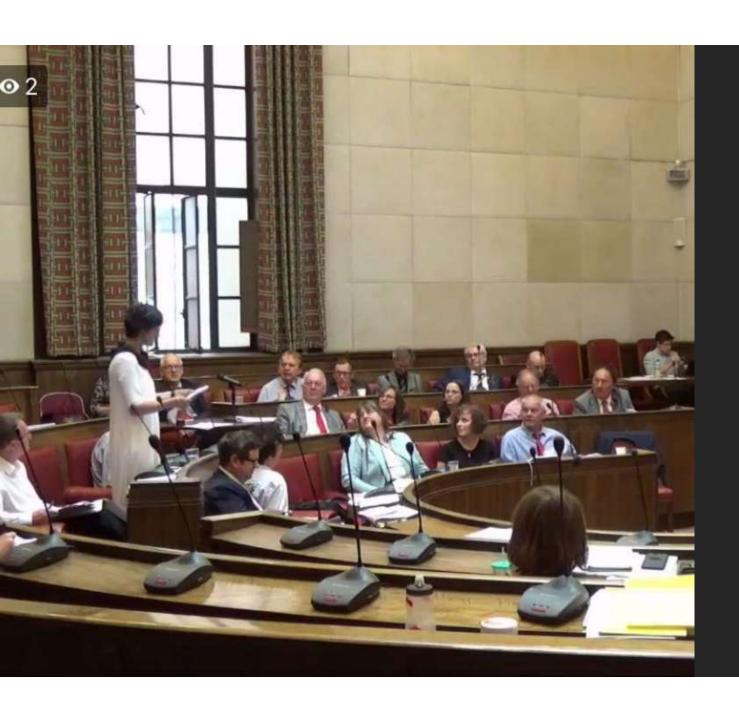
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