



“Creating a local food system which is good for people, place and planet.”

SHROPSHIRE GOOD FOOD PARTNERSHIP

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GOOD FOOD FOR LOCAL CLIMATE RESILIENCE - GRANT AWARD OF £10,000

The Shropshire Good Food Partnership (SGFP) is pleased to announce that we have been awarded a generous grant from the Telford and Wrekin Climate Change Fund. This will enable SGFP to establish a role in T&W and work with local groups and businesses on ways food can be part of the shift to net zero carbon:

- The 'Grow Local' work-stream will build on existing community growing activities and developing new ones by supporting local growing champions and connecting people to growing spaces. This will increase availability of hyper local food, reduce food miles and packaging, educate people on how to grow, make compost to reduce waste, and improve soils and habitats through nature friendly growing practices.
- The 'Food Business Climate Champions' will focus on supporting local food businesses to reduce their carbon footprint by identifying climate change leaders, producing case studies that document climate change related strategies and sharing good practice. An action plan will focus on increasing local procurement, reducing food waste and creating revenue savings.

About the Telford and Wrekin Climate Change Fund:

In 2019, Telford & Wrekin Council declared a climate emergency and committed to its operations being carbon neutral by 2030, with an aspiration for the borough to be carbon neutral by 2030 too. Its Climate Change Fund was created in 2021, and a second round was opened in 2022, to support the community in its efforts to achieve this goal. Applications were invited from local businesses, community groups and schools to fund projects enabling them to reduce their carbon emissions. To date, the council's Climate Change Fund has awarded more than £335,000 in grants to deliver this work.

