





Presentation to Sustainability Cabinet Committee 22nd October Vic Borrill, Director Brighton & Hove Food Partnership

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Year one in numbers

- ▶ **129** new allotments created including **9** new community plots
- **68** existing and new food projects supported and **18** projects received Good Food Grants
- ▶ **150**people attended **20** training courses
- 7 new jobs created and 80 volunteers provided more than 500 hours of voluntary work
- ▶ **10**work placement were created for unemployed individuals
- Attended **80** community events and spoke to more than **4,000** people
- ▶ **1,150** people receive the e-bulletin & **10,500** people visited the website
- Harvest has 245 Facebook fans and 400 Twitter followers
- ▶ **60**people attended Pick and Cook days
- **500** people attended Preston Park Picnic during Local Food Week



Harvest one year on







Outcomes

- increase the amount land available to grow food
- improve access to local food
- increase skills and confidence of local people in growing food
- improve awareness of the benefits of growing, buying and eating local produce
- develop strategies and guidance that support land use and infrastructure for urban agriculture



Increased knowledge, skills and confidence

- Training courses
- Work placement scheme
- Website / information
- Mentoring programme
- Volunteers





Increasing access to fresh local produce

- 'zero food miles' soup
- Small grants scheme
- Grow It competition
- New markets







More land on which to grow

- Grow your neighbours own
- Allotments
- Land owned by the Council







Strategies and guidance that ... change the world?

- Sustainable CommunityStrategy & Core Strategy
- Planning Advisory Note
- Integrating food growing into new developments
- Work on reducing inequalities and child poverty





Looking forward to

- Breaking new ground
- Wildlife UNESCO Biosphere
- Better links with composting projects
- Planning Advisory Note
- Influencing developments
- More opportunities for local food businesses to sell their produce
- Engaging our student population
- Volunteering and work placements
- ▶ Involvement of secondary schools



Demonstration Growing Garden

