

## 'Community food sector as a key contributor to health'

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(scotland)

Across Scotland we are all aiming to achieve positive **outcomes** from our work that "encourages us all to focus on the **difference we make** and not just the inputs or processes" that we control (Scottish Government, 2008).

This approach is being driven by the Scottish Government, which has set a national performance framework that details the outcomes it believes need to be achieved to make Scotland healthier, smarter, wealthier, fairer, safer, stronger and greener. More details about this framework can be found at [www.scotland.gov.uk/About/scotPerforms](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/About/scotPerforms).

Community Food and Health (Scotland) has been exploring the national outcomes within the framework and considering how **community food initiatives are making a contribution to the outcomes** and the desired changes for Scotland. Below are the national outcomes that we believe community food initiatives are making a contribution towards. We are hoping that you can provide us with some real life examples for how this is achieved.

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*'We have strong resilient communities where people take responsibility for their actions and how they affect others' (1)*

*'We live longer, healthier lives' (2)*

*'We reduce the local and global environmental impact of our consumption and production' (3)*

*'We have tackled the significant inequalities in Scottish society' (4)*

*'Our children have the best start in life and are ready to succeed' (5)*

*'We take pride in a strong, fair and inclusive national identity' (6)*

*'We are better educated, more skilled and more successful, renowned for our research and innovation' (7)*

*'Our young people are successful learners, confident individuals, effective contributors and responsible citizens' (8)*

*'We have improved the life chances for children, young people and families at risk' (9)*

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In order to **ensure that this contribution is recognised** we want to highlight how it is made and what it looks like in practice. We then want to share this information in a creative and dynamic way to ensure it is accessible to everyone. If your work contributes to any of the national outcomes and you would like the chance to showcase your work then **we want to hear from you**. The information you send us will allow us to create a picture of the sector's work across Scotland and the contribution being made. We will also select some examples to explore in more detail and further demonstrate the breadth, depth and wealth of activity across Scotland that is contributing to national outcomes.

Please complete the short summary sheet on the back of this page and return it to us by **29 January 2010** at the **freepost** address overleaf. If you would like any more information, please contact Katrina ([katrina.reid@consumerfocus.org.uk](mailto:katrina.reid@consumerfocus.org.uk) or 0141 227 1840).

We understand that everyone is very busy and would like to **thank you** in advance for taking the time to complete this summary sheet. **All respondents will be entered into a draw to receive a cookery book.** **We look forward to hearing from you!**

