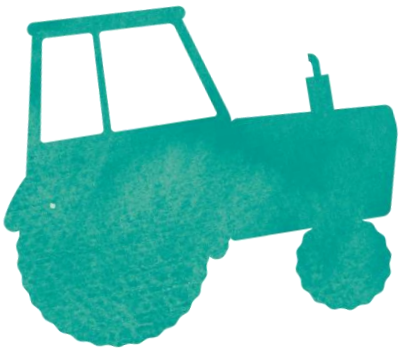




Food for Life and Sustainability in Public Food

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Why is Public Food Important?



- Unique societal role: feeds the most vulnerable and sets the tone for our relationship with food
- Huge buying power and influence on the supply chain – over £150 million annually
- Big climate impact – both positive and negative!
- Public food provides an opportunity to invest in some of the biggest issues facing our society



Public Sector as a Beacon of Good Food



Food that's good for your health

Lots of fruit and vegetables, fish and wholegrains, less but better quality meat, and a lot less processed food. Good food is even better when shared.



Food that's good for the environment

In season, sustainably produced, low-climate impact and high animal welfare standards.



Food that's good for the economy

Grown by local producers, prepared by skilled and knowledgeable people, and supports a thriving economy



Building a Good Food Nation



- The Good Food Nation Act passed into Scots Law July 2022.
- Commencement expected Spring 2023
- Underpins in law the ambition to build a good food nation set out by Scottish Government in 2014
- Public sector food is at the heart of the act



New Duties for Health Boards

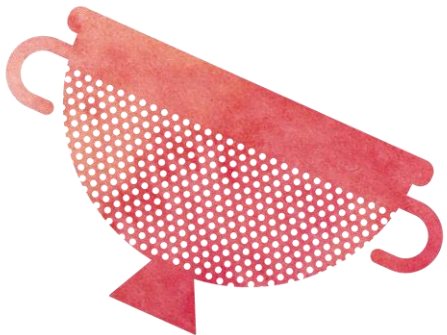


- Health Boards must produce and report on “Good Food Plans” which have regard to a national plan.
- The plans must set out how health boards will use food to improve the nation’s social and economic wellbeing, the environment, health, economic development, animal welfare, education and child poverty
- The Act also establishes a Scottish Food Commission which will monitor and scrutinise the work of public bodies on food.



The policy landscape

- Local Food Strategy consultation (2021)
- Community Wealth Building
- Bute House Agreement - “encouraging public kitchens, including school canteens, to source more food produced by local businesses and organic producers.”
- Growing emphasis on scope 3 emissions for public bodies



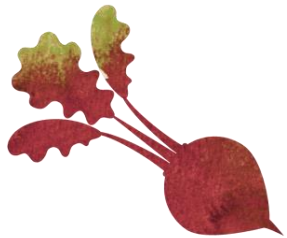
What is Food for Life Scotland?



- Food for Life Scotland is a programme of the Soil Association, a food and farming charity
- Fully funded in Scotland by Scottish Government through the Rural Affairs Directorate
- We support caterers to achieve Food for Life Served Here



Food for Life Served Here



FOOD FOR LIFE ACROSS SCOTLAND



HIGHLAND



9,650 **BRONZE** meals daily in 171 primaries and 59 nurseries (2009)

ARGYLL & BUTE



3,620 **BRONZE** meals daily in 82 primaries (2014)

INVERCLYDE



3,470 **BRONZE** meals daily in 20 primaries (2019)

EAST RENFREWSHIRE

6,600 **BRONZE** meals daily in 23 primaries (2014)



NORTH AYRSHIRE

5,700 **GOLD** meals daily in 50 primaries, 1 secondary and 7 nurseries (2013)



WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

3,050 **BRONZE** meals daily in 29 nurseries, 30 primaries, and 2 ASN schools (2021)



GLASGOW

34,000 **BRONZE** meals daily in 130 primaries and 7 ASN schools (2021)



EAST AYRSHIRE

4,600 **GOLD** meals daily in 38 primaries and 10 nurseries (2008)



WEST LoTHIAN

7,430 **BRONZE** meals daily in 67 primaries (2018)



SHETLAND

2,000 **BRONZE** meals daily in 3 nurseries, 21 primaries, 5 junior highs and 2 secondaries (2021)

ORKNEY ISLANDS



1,810 **BRONZE** meals daily in 16 primaries, 3 junior highs and 2 secondaries (2020)

MORAY

3,500 **BRONZE** meals daily in 45 primary schools (2022)



ABERDEENSHIRE

12,540 **BRONZE** meals daily in 151 primaries and 4 ASN schools (2015)



ABERDEEN CITY

11,040 **BRONZE** meals daily in 48 primaries and 11 secondaries (2015)



STIRLING

3,140 **SILVER** meals daily in 38 primaries, 30 nurseries and 1 ASN school (2014)



EDINBURGH CITY

18,870 **BRONZE** meals daily in 87 primaries, 22 secondaries and 11 ASN schools (2016)
353 **SILVER** meals daily in 1 primary and 1 secondary (2016)



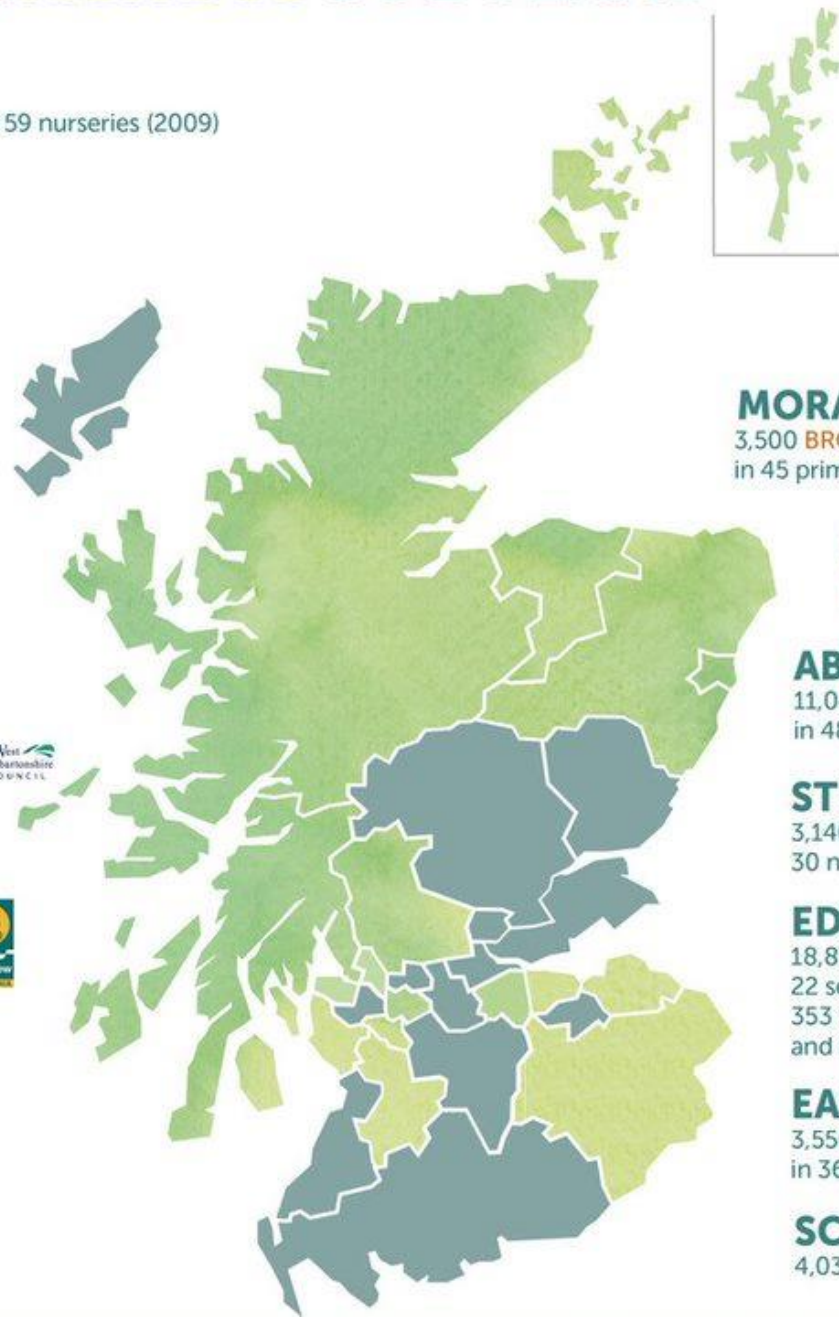
EAST LoTHIAN

3,550 **BRONZE** meals daily in 36 primaries (2013)



SCOTTISH BORDERS

4,030 **BRONZE** meals daily in 58 primaries (2020)



Food for Life in Hospitals

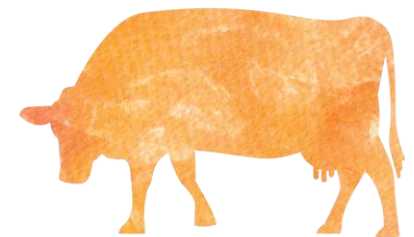
- 20 Hospital Trusts in England currently have a Food for Life Served Here Award
- This includes a range of service models and both retail and patient food.
- Many more hospitals interested in the award since the Hospital Food Review



East Lancashire Hospitals Trust



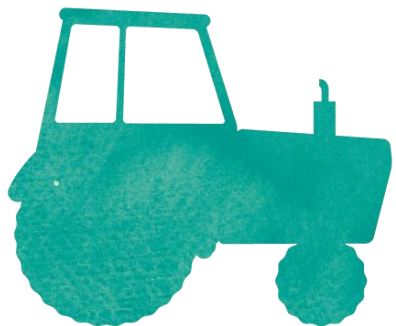
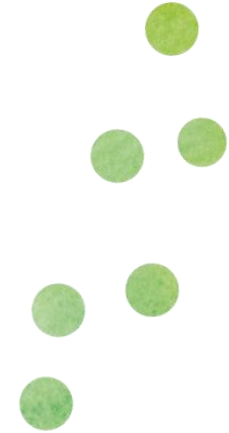
- Hold FFLSH award for both patient and staff/visitor food at the Blackburn Royal Teaching Hospital and the staff/visitor food at Burnley General Teaching Hospital
- 85% of the meals are cooked from scratch on site using fresh ingredients from local suppliers
- Used the FFLSH award as a framework to increase local sourcing – including a partnership with Forestry England to serve local wild venison shot in the nearby Forest of Bowland.



Let's continue the conversation!

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Thank You
Any Questions?
