

Our national partners

The Big Lunch



The Big Lunch brings people together to share friendship, food and fun on the first weekend in June every year. It's a simple idea – an invitation to people UK-wide to throw open their doors and take to their streets, gardens and communities to have fun and get to know one another better. Over 6 million people from all walks of life take part in The Big Lunch every year.

We know that good things happen when people come together over food – over 4 million people made new friends and 3.8 million people told us they felt less lonely following The Big Lunch weekend this year, plus people report feeling better about where they live, as well as happier and more confident joining in with community activities. Everyone is invited to The Big Lunch – find out more at thebiglunch.com and join in where you live!

Royal Voluntary Service



Royal Voluntary Service is one of Britain's largest volunteering charities with over 20,000 volunteers supporting thousands of people each month in hospitals, at home and in the community. Through the gift of voluntary service, volunteers often lead the way by setting up and running their own activities and clubs in their local area.

Royal Voluntary Service can support you to run your own regular Get Together food-based group for people of all ages. Whether you want to do it on your own, with a friend or as part of a team, as long as it's about food, it could be just about anything! Royal Voluntary Service will support you with setting up the group and will help to ensure it is run in a safe and legal manner. In return, you'll enjoy developing new skills and experience whilst having the satisfaction of knowing you're making something happen for your community and changing lives for the better.

Food Sense Wales



Food Sense Wales (FSW) is built on the foundations of Food Cardiff, one of the founding members of the Sustainable Food Cities Network. It aims to influence how food is produced and consumed in Wales through pioneering programmes such as Sustainable Food Cities, Peas Please, Food Power and most recently Food for Life Get Togethers. Food Sense Wales' approach revolves around "advocacy by example"; focusing on finding workable solutions through on the ground experience and citizen voice, and using these to advocate effectively for the changes needed to national policy to ensure everyone in Wales receives their right to good food.

Incredible Edible



Incredible Edible is a movement of over 100 groups in the UK, and more than 1,000 across the world, where local people come together to create kind, confident and connected communities. Community led groups use food as a catalyst to bring people together and to share learning. We are passionate about growing and utilising fresh healthy food, as well as promoting local food producers.

Linking Generations Northern Ireland



Linking Generations NI are part of the Beth Johnson Foundation and are the only organisation solely focusing on the development and promotion of intergenerational approaches as a catalyst for social change. Their vision is of a Northern Ireland where all generations are respected, understood, connected and engaged in their communities.

LGNI's small expert team are passionate about their work and collaborate locally and internationally with partners to spark connections and develop innovative approaches to bringing generations together. LGNI offer advice, expertise and resources; facilitate learning about the application of intergenerational practice; provide or signpost to small grant funding and run demonstration projects to help establish awareness, learning and skills.

Generations Working Together



Generations Working Together (GWT) has the main aim of working towards creating a fairer Scotland where people of all ages, but particularly the young and old, work together to challenge stereotypes, build social cohesion and mutual respect and build stronger communities founded on the assets of all of its members. GWT is a registered Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is the expert organisation leading on intergenerational work across Scotland. Although a relatively new charity GWT was established back in 2007 and were originally known as the Scottish Centre for Intergenerational Practice. The Centre was developed as part of a Scottish Government consultation to explore issues facing society in meeting the challenges of an ageing population.