

Our Food

improving our food and farming through dialogue

About Our Food

Our Food is a new initiative that aims to improve food and farming by getting people involved in dialogue with scientists and collaborating in their research.



Watch our video to find out more: <http://ourfood.org.uk/2012/11/15/video/>

How can you get involved?

We are looking for people in the North East of England who are interested in getting involved as community-based researchers. There are a number of ways that you can participate:

- Attend a 'Get Together'
- Come to the Research Priorities Workshop
- Watch and comment on a new play about food
- Meet food researchers

Please see below for more details of these events and how to get in touch.

Get Togethers

As a way of deepening the conversations about our food system, we are organising a number of 'Get Togethers'. These are informal meals that promote discussion about the big issues with food and its future.

We are organising two dinners for up to twenty people, hosted by Route 26, in Deckham, Gateshead on **Saturday 12 and Saturday 19 January 2013**. Please get in touch if you would like to attend. Transport costs, a crèche and other support is available.

We are also keen for other people to get involved in hosting Get Togethers for their friends or other people from Our Food. Please let us know if you would like to host a dinner or other event yourself. This could be a small dinner in your home or something more ambitious. We will provide funds for food, local travel and any other expenses.

Research Priorities Workshop

To collect the themes that emerge from the Get Togethers and other discussions, we are inviting anyone who is involved with the initiative to a meeting on **Saturday 16 February 2013**. We will use participative methods to discuss, collate and prioritise these ideas, some of which may be developed into research projects.

Participatory theatre

We have asked a participatory dramatist to create a play that incorporates the different perspectives of the food research debate. The aim of the play is to provoke discussion and dialogue about the issues with a range of people involved in food and farming. The play will be performed in Newcastle on **Friday 22 February 2013** and will be performed again later in the year to a group of food policy makers.

Research Meeting

We are inviting anyone who is involved in the initiative to meet with researchers and discuss what they feel are the big issues with food on **Saturday 23 February 2013**. We will be taking the ideas from previous meetings and hope to develop some of these into research projects.

Contact us

If you would like to attend any of these events, organise your own Get Together or would like more information please contact William Mortada on william@ourfood.org.uk.

Visit our website: www.ourfood.org.uk.