

"The Scottish Green Party recognises the benefits of allotments to local communities, healthy lifestyles and the environment. Greens support planning laws and economic provision to encourage small scale, local and cooperative food ventures and prevent building on allotments and green spaces. We encourage urban food initiatives and access for all to affordable local fresh food.

Our manifesto states that the Scottish Greens will bring about a food revolution, promoting healthy, local and fairly traded food. Greening our food economy will improve Scotland's diet and re-establish traditions of local seasonal produce. We will work to re-establish Scotland's local food cultures, through education, celebration of food and promotion of fresh food outlets like farmers' markets and local food initiatives. Allotments already make an important contribution to meeting all these objectives, and could be doing much more with the proper support they deserve from local and national government."