

BELFAST FOOD NETWORK



You are cordially invited to the

Enough is Enough Conference

Launch of Belfast's Food Poverty Scoping Exercise

Monday 23rd March, 9.30am - 1.00pm

City Church, 12-24 University Avenue, Belfast



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ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

The rising number of people requiring emergency food assistance in our communities is a matter of great concern, particularly in the light of forthcoming changes in benefits due to Welfare Reform.

The need to create a co-ordinated approach to food poverty in Belfast is crucial. There are numerous organisations involved in delivering frontline emergency aid, advice services and support programmes, which tend to be localised responses to immediate need.

The Belfast Food Network has been funded by the Public Health Agency to deliver the Enough is Enough project to harness the expertise of welfare officers, food banks, community and faith based organisations, health and social care practitioners and strategic bodies operating in the city to address the issue collectively.

The first stage of our project is scoping the size and experience of food poverty in the city. The primary purpose of this conference is to present our findings to date, but more importantly we need your input to help us understand the nature and extent of food poverty in Belfast.

We would sincerely appreciate your attendance.

Parking is limited in the area and we are encouraging delegates to use public transport or share transport where possible.

A light lunch will be provided – catering by City Church.

Please RSVP:

Kevin Higgins, Advice NI
kevin@adviceni.net and include
any dietary requirements

LAUNCH PROGRAMME

9.45am

Welcome, Gary McFarlane, Director, Chartered Institute of Environmental Health

9.50am

Introduction to the Belfast Food Network, Prof. Jim Kitchen, Director, Sustainable NI

10am

Belfast's Food Poverty and Health Working Group, Dr Liz Mitchell, Institute for Public Health

10.10am

Turning the Tide, Kevin Higgins, Policy Manager, Advice NI

10.20am

Enough is Enough Scoping Survey Results, Jenny McCurry, Researcher, Advice NI

10.30am

Our Big Picture and facilitated table discussion, Pete Ritchie, Nourish Scotland

11.30am

Feedback and Plenary Session, Pete Ritchie, Nourish Scotland

12.15pm

Closing Remarks, Kevin Higgins, Policy Manager, Advice NI

12:30

Light Lunch

