

SEEDS TO SOLUTIONS A GRASSROOTS RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

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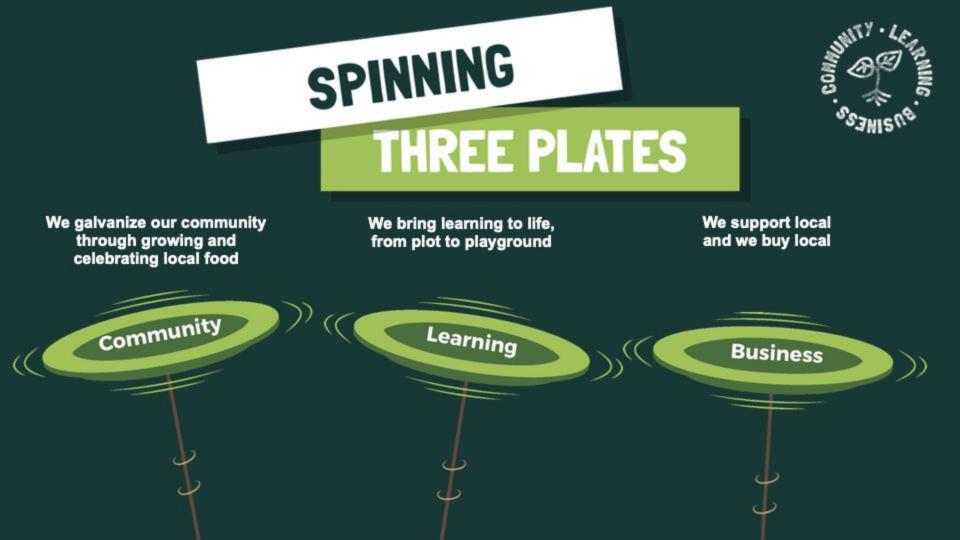
Why bother?

- Huge weather swings
- Health problems through the roof

Where's the

leadership?

- Water wars on the horizon
- Increasingly divided societies





BE THE CHANGE MAKE THE CHANGE

Incredible grass roots innovators & change makers

IF YOU EAT

YOU'RE IN

Influence Anchor Institutions: Local Government, NHS & Academia, Housing...

SYSTEM

A KINDER PROSPERITY

COMM

CHANGE RULES





Imagine if every neighbourhood was Incredible Edible.

Imagine if citizens were respected partners in adapting to climate change.

Imagine if we didn't rely on goodwill to grow local food on public land.



THE RIGHT TO GROW

An abundant future where communities are trusted to grow nutritious food together, on shared public land



INSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGES TO COMMUNITY GROWING

- LIMITED LAND ACCESS
- FRAGMENTED COUNCIL POLICIES & AMBIGUOUS RESPONSIBILITY
- LOW PRIORITISATION OF COMMUNITY GROWING
- DISCONNECT OF COMMUNITY GROWING FROM AUTHORITIES' WIDER FOOD AND CLIMATE POLICIES

From Open University study, Les Levidow

WHAT IS THE RIGHT TO GROW?

- ACCESSIBLE LISTS/MAPS OF
 PUBLIC LAND
- REPLACING 'PERMISSION' WITH
 RIGHTS-BASED APPROACH
- UNCOMPLICATED, FREE LEASES FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS
- AUTHORITIES PRIORITISE COMMUNITY GROWING AND BUILD TRUST BETWEEN CITIZEN AND STATE

WHY DO WE NEED A **RIGHT TO GROW?**

- AUTHORITIES MUST RECOGNISE THE CONTRIBUTION COMMUNITY GROWING GIVES TO CLIMATE AND FOOD POLICIES
- REDUCING BUREAUCRACY PAVES THE WAY FOR MORE COMMUNITY GROWING
- IMPROVING ACCESS IS FUTURE PROOFING FOR MORE COMMUNITY GROWING
- LOCAL POLICIES FOR SOME CAN LEAD TO NATIONAL POLICIES FOR ALL

