

Food and Well Being Mid-term review

Engaging in evaluation

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Research approaches

Drawing on recent experience (Scotland)

- **Review available data**
- **Stakeholder consultations**
- **Community level case studies**
- **National/international context**

Progress to date:

- **Collection and analysis of data, reports, evaluations, other literature**
- **45 face-to-face or telephone interviews**
- **Conferences, seminars, meetings**
- **Area-based LHB/LA case studies**
- **Voluntary/community sector case studies**
- **Survey of 22 LHB nutrition leads**
- **'Expert hearings'/workshops**

Task (30 minutes):

- **Identify successes, challenges, gaps**
- **Is progress being measured?**
- **Integrating food policy with other public health/sustainability agendas**
- **Who should be involved in any revised policy?**

Feedback (20 minutes):

Use data and findings to:

- **Review progress against targets and actions**
- **Examine different models and approaches emerging in different areas, sectors, settings**
- **Identify successes, challenges, gaps and opportunities**
- **Consider structures, processes, impacts**
- **Make recommendations based on learning**

Some interim findings:

- **Significant and ongoing upstream structural change since FWB**
- **Food in schools agenda has taken off**
- **FWB has facilitated local partnerships (LHB/LA) and actions**
- **A lot of activity and goodwill: different models, different priorities, skills, resources**
- **Progress against actions mixed - from substantial to none**

Some interim findings:

- **Some anxiety about future - vision, leadership, funding, FWB superseded?**
- **Evaluation: how to capture and share learning systematically- processes, outcomes, impacts?**
- **How to ensure action is cross-cutting, with buy-in both up and downstream?**
- **Need to build bridges - sectors, mindsets, lay and professional people**
- **Progress against targets??????**

In Wales:

- **Further structural change upstream**
 - **new public health strategy and review of public health structures**
 - **creation on Food Policy and Strategic Development Unit**
 - **A 'Quality Food' Strategy for Wales**
 - **Beecham and Wales Government Act**