Notice of Motion - Food Justice

This Council notes that:

1. there are 8 million people in the UK who have trouble putting food on the table according to the UN;
2. over 500,000 people used food banks in the UK last year. The Trussell Trust alone distributed over 1.3m three-day emergency food supplies to people in crisis in the financial year 2017-2018;
3. 3 million children are at risk of hunger during the school holidays;
4. up to 1 million people live in food deserts in the UK; and
5. a significant amount of the NHS budget goes on treating diabetes.

This Council further notes the UK Government's commitment to the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals (Global Goals) commits government to ending hunger by 2030.

This Council resolves to:

1. establish a lead member role with the responsibility of delivering food justice;
2. work with community groups and partners to set up a food partnership (a non-profit organisation helping people learn to cook, eat a healthy diet, grow their own food and waste less food); and
3. task scrutiny to investigate the extent of the issue in Powys and what can be done to tackle it.