Our Guiding Principles
These principles guide how we work together as an Alliance, and how we relate to partners across Greater Manchester. They were drafted following discussion with all participants at the launch of the Greater Manchester Food Poverty Alliance.

Inclusivity and empowerment – we will:
• Appreciate all people’s skills and knowledge, recognising people who have lived experience of food poverty as experts by experience
• Be inclusive, respecting each other’s voices and building a diverse and connected community
• Seek participation across all ten boroughs of Greater Manchester, and all sectors

Goal-setting – we will:
• Set realistic and ambitious goals
• Be effective and productive, co-produce and implement an action plan that will bring change
• Develop a clear vision that we can unite behind

Communication – we will:
• Communicate clearly and regularly about what is happening and how to get involved
• Encourage connections and new partnerships across all members of the Alliance

Structure and collaboration – we will:
• Have accountable people with clear roles
• Recognise and give due credit to what is already being done
• Collaborate, sharing knowledge and resources openly
• Understand our role within Greater Manchester and the UK, how food poverty sits within wider food and poverty agendas, and work with others on related issues

Social justice – we will:
• Empower people and communities to help themselves
• Be prepared to address structural issues, engaging and campaigning at the political level where necessary