

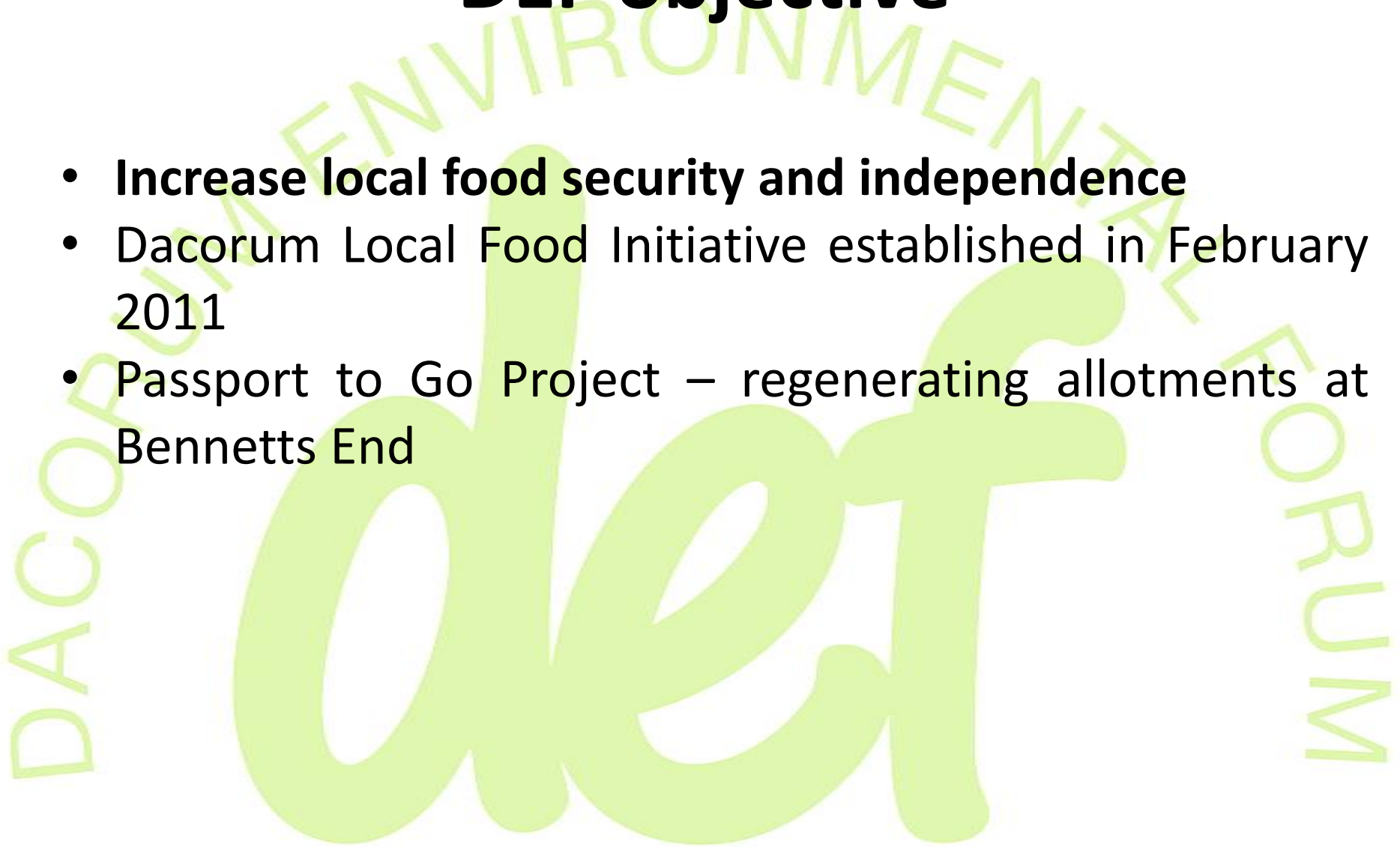
Allotment Review Discussion

April 2011

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DEF objective

- **Increase local food security and independence**
- Dacorum Local Food Initiative established in February 2011
- Passport to Go Project – regenerating allotments at Bennetts End



Allotment Review

- Strategic Planning and Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee will be reviewing allotments at their meeting on 21st June 2011
- At the Dacorum Local Food Initiative, the Chair of the Committee, Cllr Alan Anderson, invited people to feed into this review
- Katy D'Souza, Assistant Estates Surveyor, would welcome DEF's ideas

DEF Involvement

- What role should DEF play?
- How would DEF like to feed ideas into the review?
 - minutes of this meeting
 - letter to Chair of Scrutiny committee
 - send information to Katy

Managing the current portfolio

- Non-cultivation
- Plot size
- Waiting lists
- Working with allotment associations
- Rental charges



Providing new allotment sites

- Are they needed?
- Where are there shortages?
- Council provision - should DBC develop new sites on their land/should they manage all these sites?
- What options are there for community/private owned & managed sites in the area?

Meanwhile gardening & landshare

- Temporary allotment sites – would people be interested if only short term
- Alternative gardening projects – in open spaces

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