

Local Produce Market

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In July 2010 Nathan Richards, who grows organic fruit and vegetables in LlwynDafydd and sells his produce at St Dogmaels' Local Food Producers Market, asked Newport Area Environment Group if they could find a venue in Newport for his stall.

Nathan worked in the film industry for 20 years and is concerned about ecology and food growing. Being the nephew of Patrick Holden(former director of the Soil Association for 15 years), he had contact with the early organic movement as a child.

<http://www.daisygreenmagazine.co.uk/living/news-living/soil-association-director-patrick-holden-steps-down/>

Nathan has now been growing food for 9 years and feels strongly that we need to address food issues such as food miles and out of season food. Now that he is producing food, he wants to sell it locally to serve the community where he lives and see a move towards weekly farmers markets. Feedback is that his produce is "fantastic" and he intends do markets at Llanachaeron and Aberaeron.

In March 2010 Newport Area Environment Group, whilst in the process of trying to secure a suitable site in Newport, discovered that Newport Town Council had recently decided to set up a Local Produce Market independently and so NAEG passed their information to the town council (who have considerably more resources at their disposal with which to achieve success with this project).

NAEG wishes Newport Town Council every success in continuing this project to bring a Local Produce Market to Newport.