



Civil Food Resilience & Local Action

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PARTNERSHIP**



- **SGFP: HOW WE WORK & WHAT WE DO**
- **CIVIL FOOD RESILIENCE**
- **WHERE WE CAN WORK TOGETHER: LOCAL FOOD RESILIENCE**

Working Across the Bioregional-Scale



National
Engagement:
Organisations,
Policy &
Collaborations



Marches Real Food
& Farming Network
(Bioregional Level)



'Local' Food
Partnership

County Councils

Town & Parish
Councils

Businesses and
Organisations

Neighbourhoods/
Communities

Individual/
Household/
Farm



**What
does it
mean to
be 'place-
based'?**



Partnership work

- PARTNERSHIP WORK
- POLICY & RESEARCH
- LOCAL FOOD ECONOMY
- LAND & CLIMATE
- EDUCATION
- HEALTH & WELLBEING
- ADVOCACY

Where are we now? Context

TWO FIRMS CONTROL 42% OF THE GLOBAL COMMERCIAL PESTICIDES MARKET. BAYER DOMINATES, CONTROLLING 23%.

TWO COMPANIES CONTROL 40% OF THE GLOBAL PESTICIDES MARKET. SYNGENTA ALONE CONTROLS ONE QUARTER.



FOUR CONTROL COMMERCIAL MARKET



- **WHAT IS FOOD RESILIENCE?**
- **'PERMACRISIS' (CHRONIC) & COMPLEXITY OF THE SYSTEM**
- **FRAGILITY: CRISIS EVENTS (ACUTE) & PROBABILITY**
- **SUSTAINABILITY IS NO LONGER ENOUGH**



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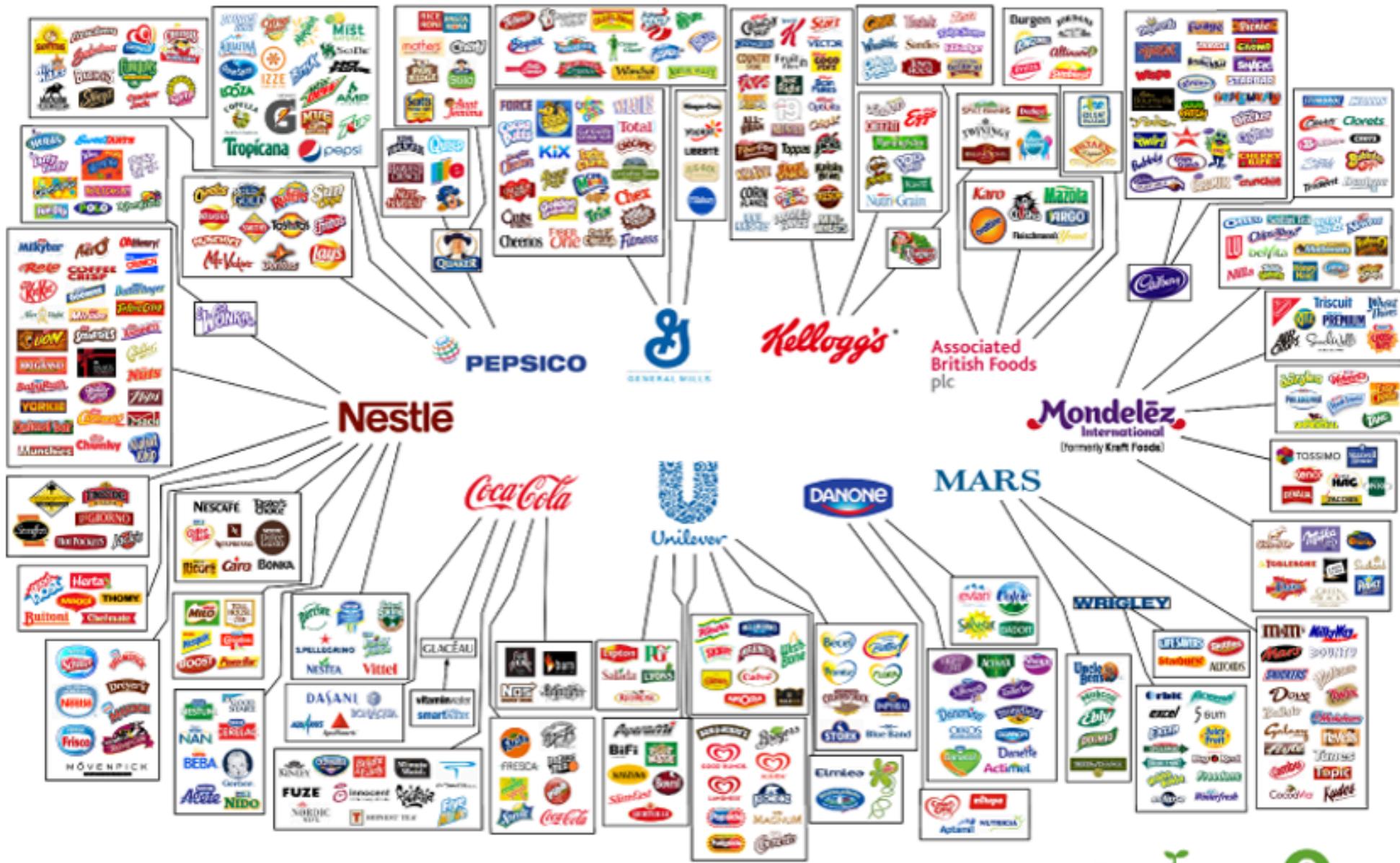
Research and analysis

Nature security assessment on global biodiversity loss, ecosystem collapse and national security

This strategic assessment explores how global biodiversity loss and the collapse of critical ecosystems could affect the UK's resilience, security and prosperity.

From: [Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs](#)

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UK Policy & Reality

- NATIONAL RISK REGISTER
- CIVIL CONTINGENCIES ACT
- FOOD PLANNING – STRENGTH VARIES (INDUSTRY, LAS, LRFS)
- COMMUNICATION: PUBLIC AWARENESS/CAPACITY
- NATIONAL AGENCIES AND DEPTS: “FOOD SECURITY IS NATIONAL SECURITY”
- NATIONAL FOOD STRATEGY

Minor

1

44

39

15

1, 57a

1
<0.2%

2
0.2-1%

3
1-5%

4
5-25%

5
>25%

Terrorism, cyber and

1. International terrorism
2. Northern Ireland terrorism
3. Terrorist attacks in the UK
4. Terrorist attacks in the UK
5. Strategic hostage taking
6. Assassination of public figures
7. Smaller-scale CBRN attacks
8. Medium-scale CBRN attacks
9. Larger-scale CBRN attacks
10. Conventional attacks
11. Cyber attacks on critical infrastructure

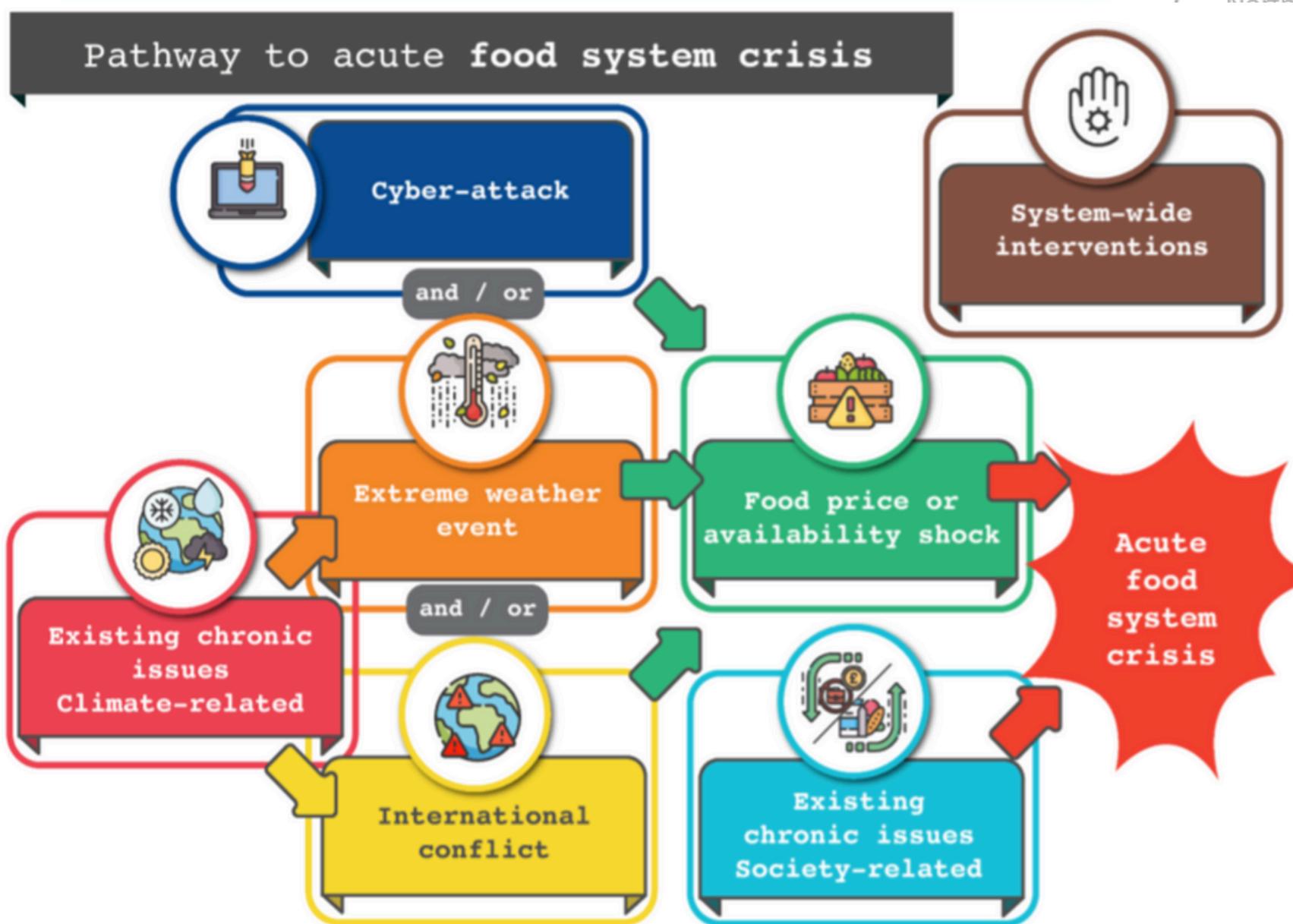
Geographic and diplomatic

12. Disruption to global supply chains

Accidents and system failures

13. Major adult social care failures
14. Insolvency of suppliers in the public sector
15. Insolvency affecting public services
16. Rail accident
17. Large passenger aircraft accident
18. Major maritime pollution incident
19. Incident (grounded aircraft) blocking a major road
20. Accident involving a dangerous goods vehicle
21. Aviation collision
22. Malicious drone attack
23. Disruption of space services

- 1. International terrorism
- 2. Northern Ireland



IMPACT

Figure 2 from Bridle et al 2026 <https://www.mdpi.com/2071-1050/18/3/1342>

- 1 <0.2%
- 2 0.2-1%
- 3 1-5%
- 4 5-25%
- 5 >25%

- 22. Malicious drone
- 23. Disruption of spa



Our Civil Food Resilience Response

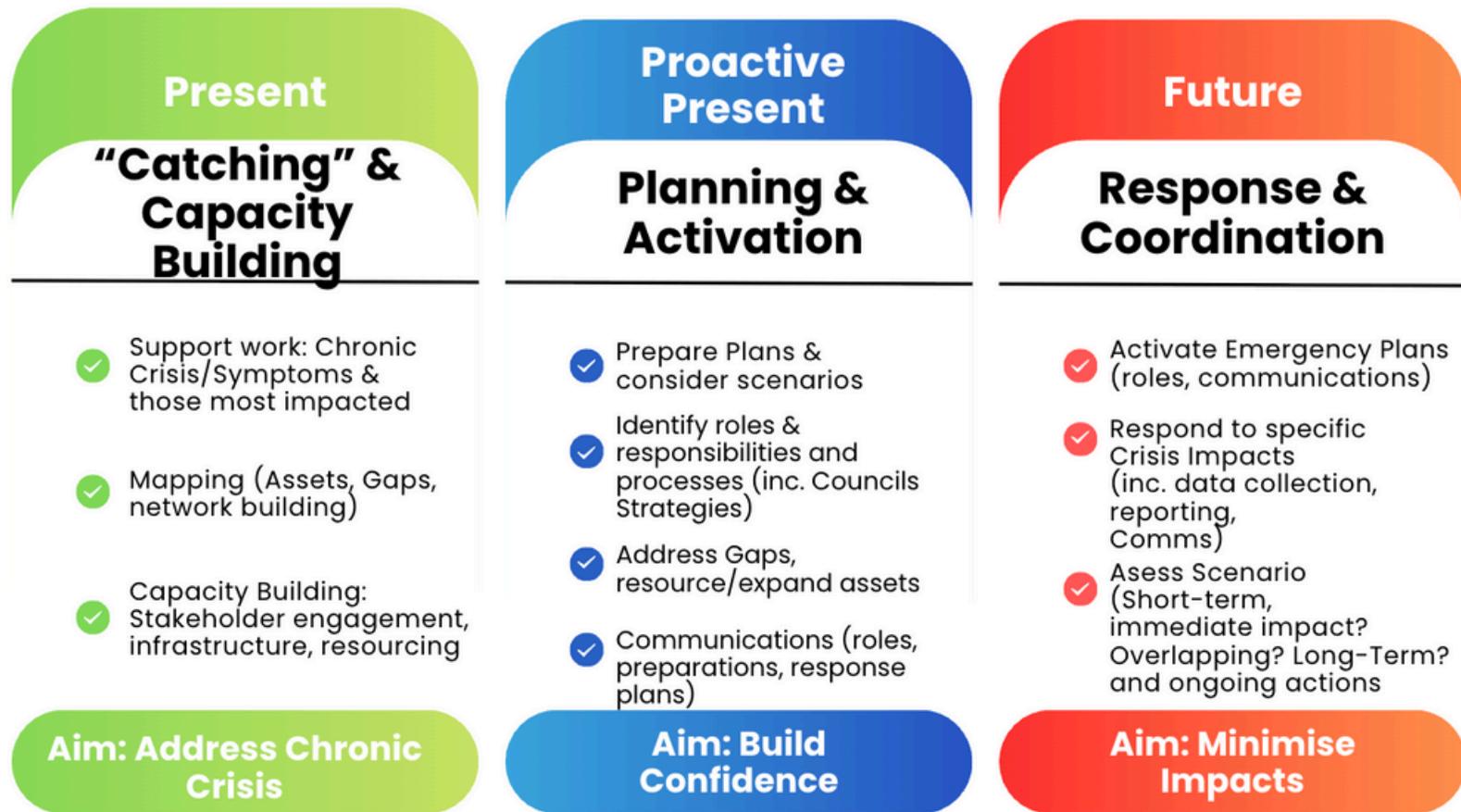
In Development

- **SUSTAIN: CIVIL FOOD RESILIENCE CLUSTER**
- **ACTIVATING UK SFP NETWORK**
- **'FEEDING RESILIENCE' IN TELFORD**
- **BLUEPRINTING FOR RESILIENCE & COMMUNITY LABS**
- **LOCAL FOOD RESILIENCE STRATEGIES**
- **UPSKILLING: TRAININGS (GROWING, SEED SAVING, COOKING, REGEN)**

- **MAPPING & BASELINING**
- **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COMMS (ALL LEVELS) - DIGITAL & HARDCOPY**
- **SEED: UP-SKILLING & RESEARCH**
- **WEST MERCIA LRF/SHROPS COUNCIL ENGAGEMENT & SHADOW LRF**
- **PROCUREMENT & PFGOOD**



BUILDING CIVIL FOOD RESILIENCE



"ACTION IS THE ANTIDOTE TO DESPAIR" – JOAN BAEZ



Local Food Strategies

- **COMMUNITY FOOD ASSESSMENT & SYSTEMS THINKING**
- **COMMUNITY LABS PILOT**
- **COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION**
- **CIVIL FOOD RESILIENCE PLANNING**

BISHOP'S CASTLE:
COMMUNITY FOOD
RESILIENCE STRATEGY



NEXT STEPS

- **WORK WITH US:
STRATEGIC ACTION &
COORDINATED PLANNING**
- **LRF & LOCAL SERVICES**
- **SHROPSHIRE RESILIENCE
SUMMIT: CONNECT THE
DOTS**

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