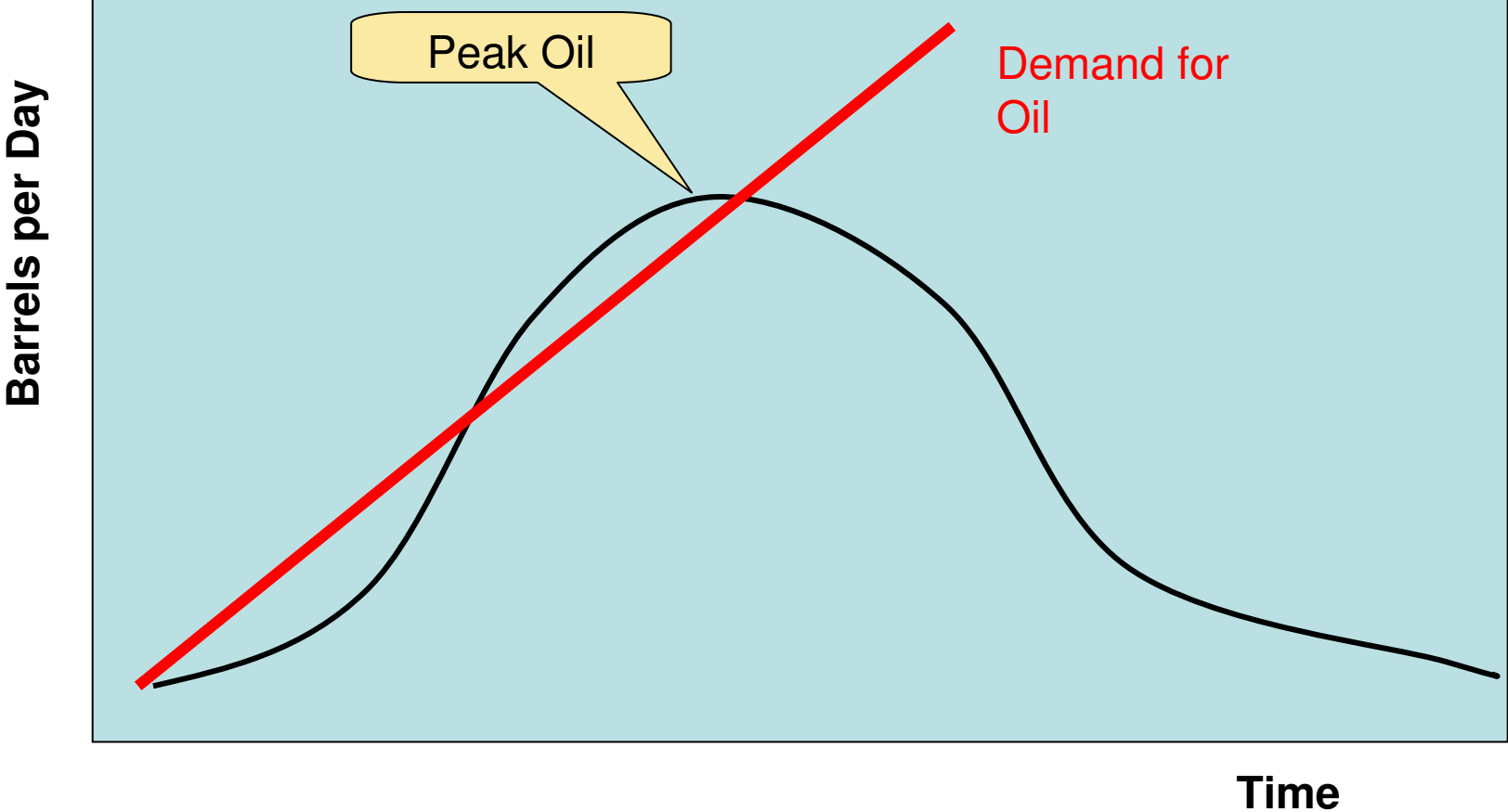


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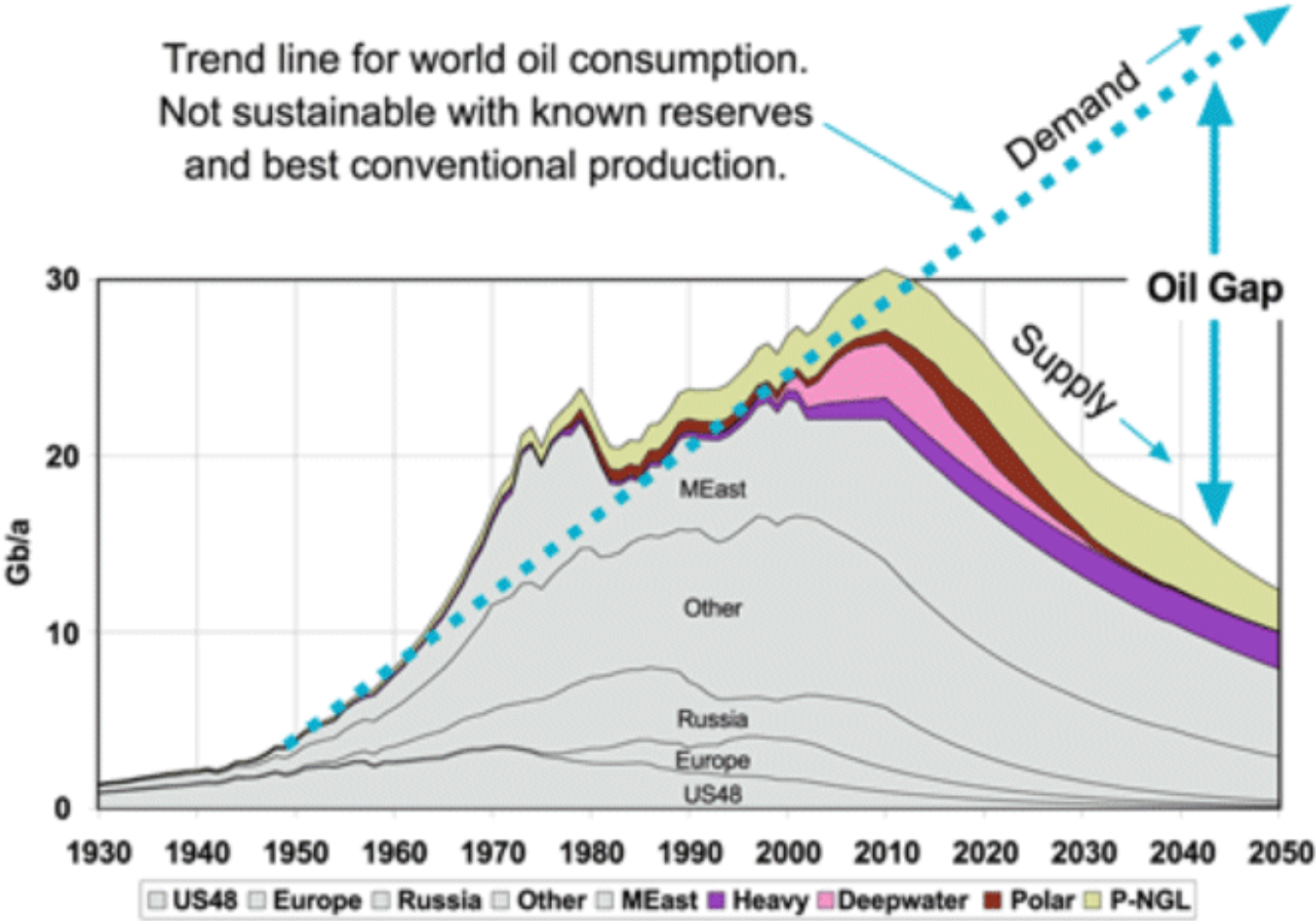
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Peak Oil



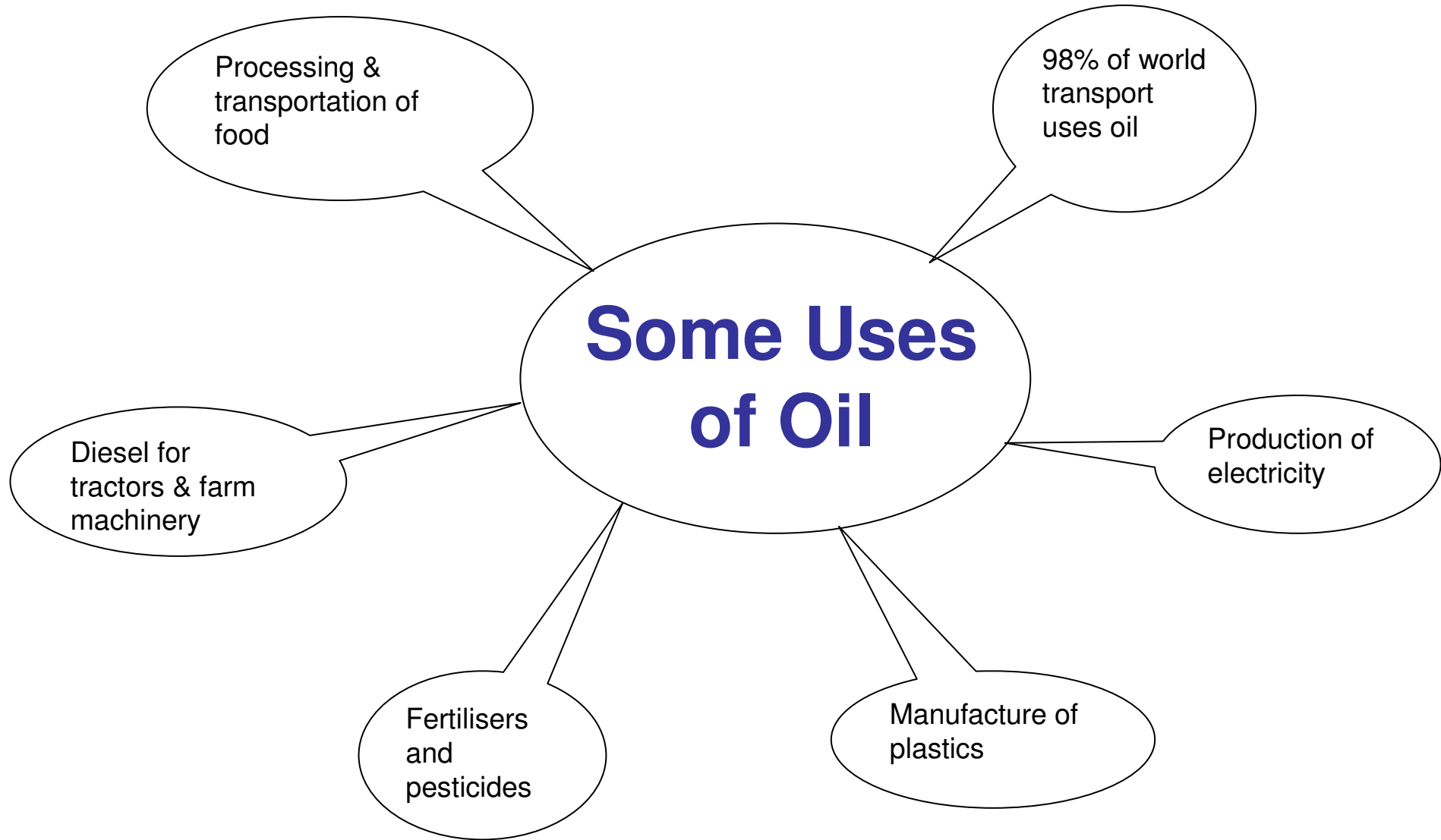
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Trend line for world oil consumption.
Not sustainable with known reserves
and best conventional production.



Base graph from: C.J.Campbell and Anders Sivertsson, "Updating the Oil Depletion Model", 2005.

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Processing & transportation of food

98% of world transport uses oil

Some Uses of Oil

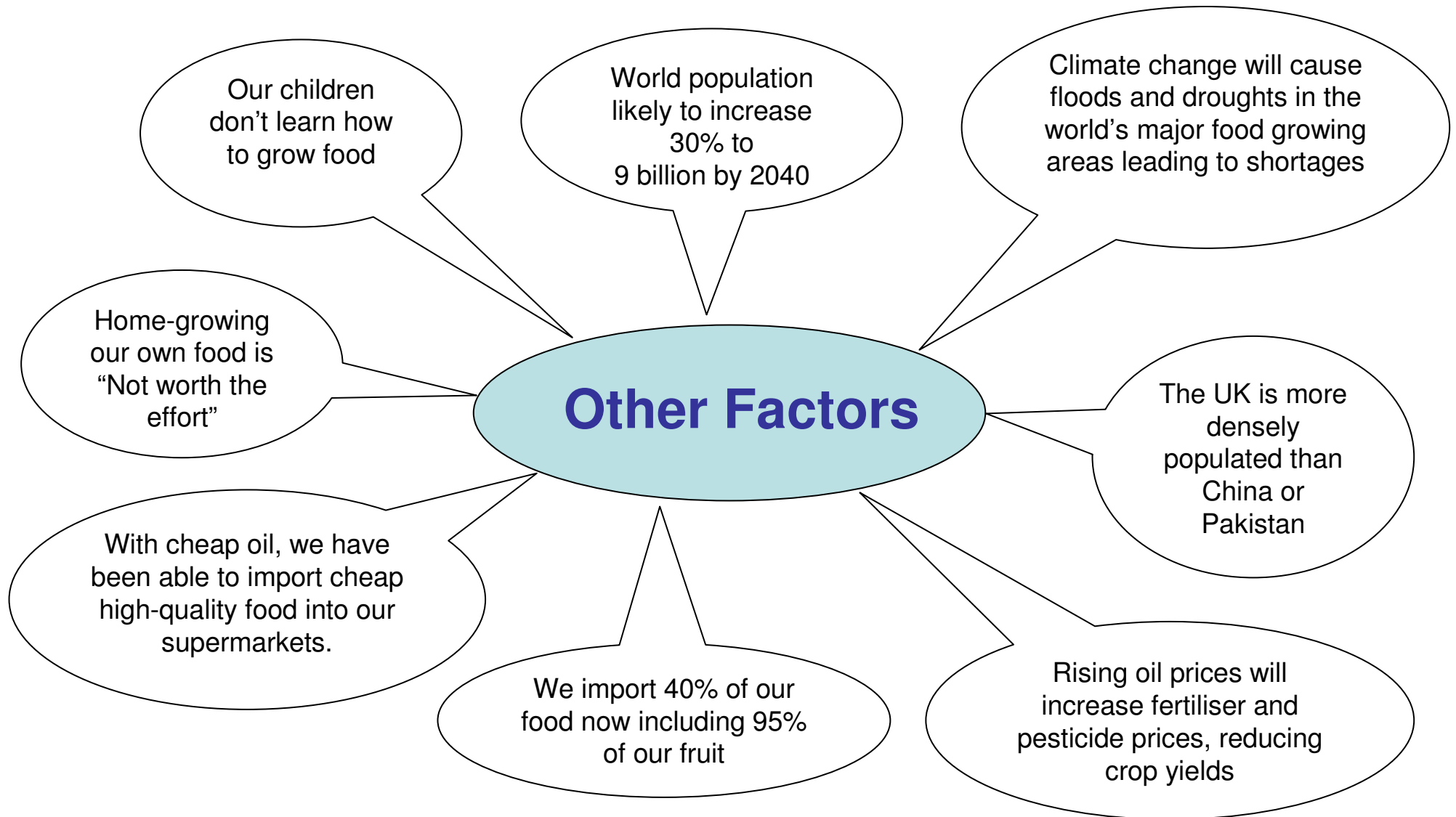
Production of electricity

Diesel for tractors & farm machinery

Fertilisers and pesticides

Manufacture of plastics

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The Transition Town Movement



In 2005 [Robert Hopkins](#) gave his Permaculture students in Kinsale in Ireland, the task of writing an energy descent plan for their town.

They managed to convince the Kinsale council to unanimously adopt the plan.

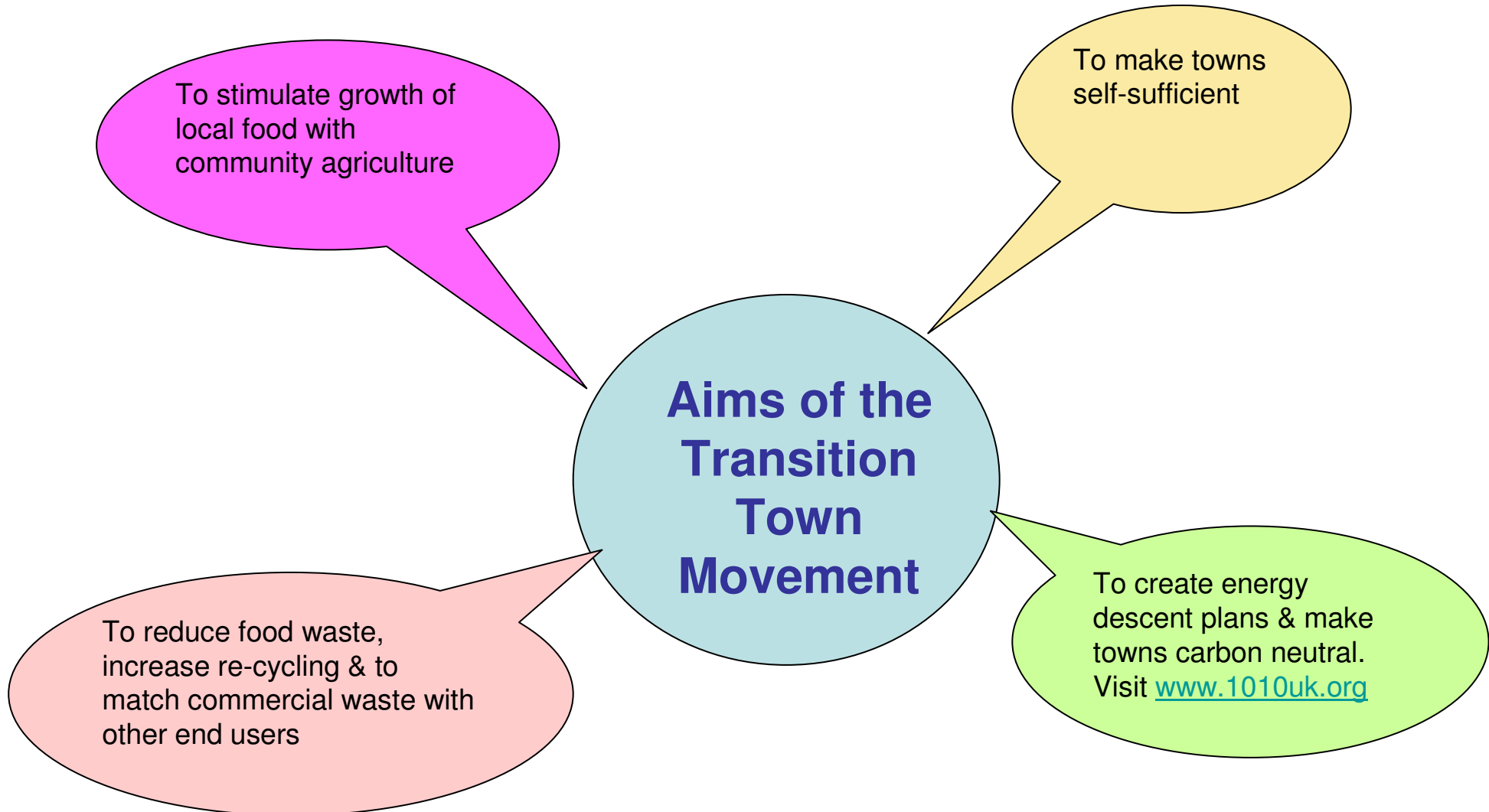
After moving to Totnes, Robert repeated this and co-created the [Transition Town Movement](#).

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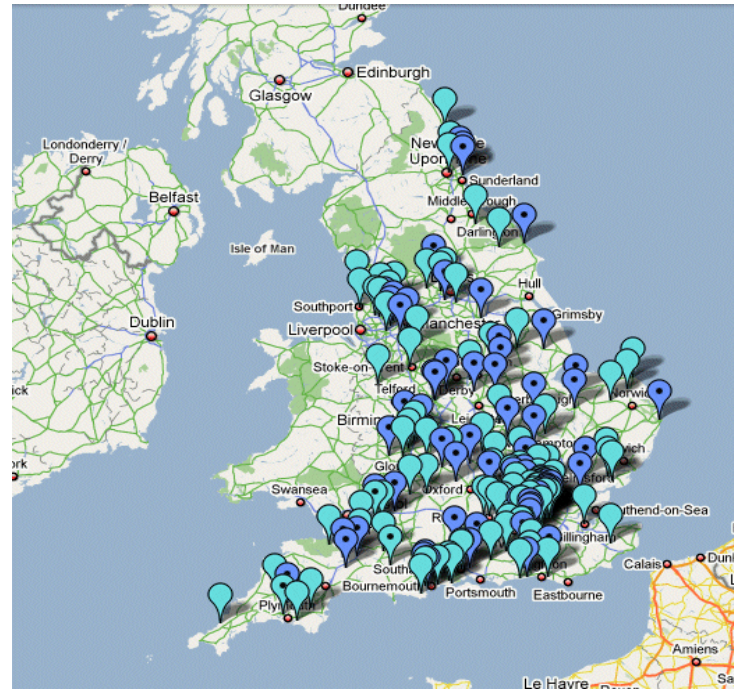
The *Transition* Town Movement

....going from being high carbon & fossil fuel dependent to something much more resilient and likely to keep us within our carbon budget and to avoid the most disastrous impacts of climate change.

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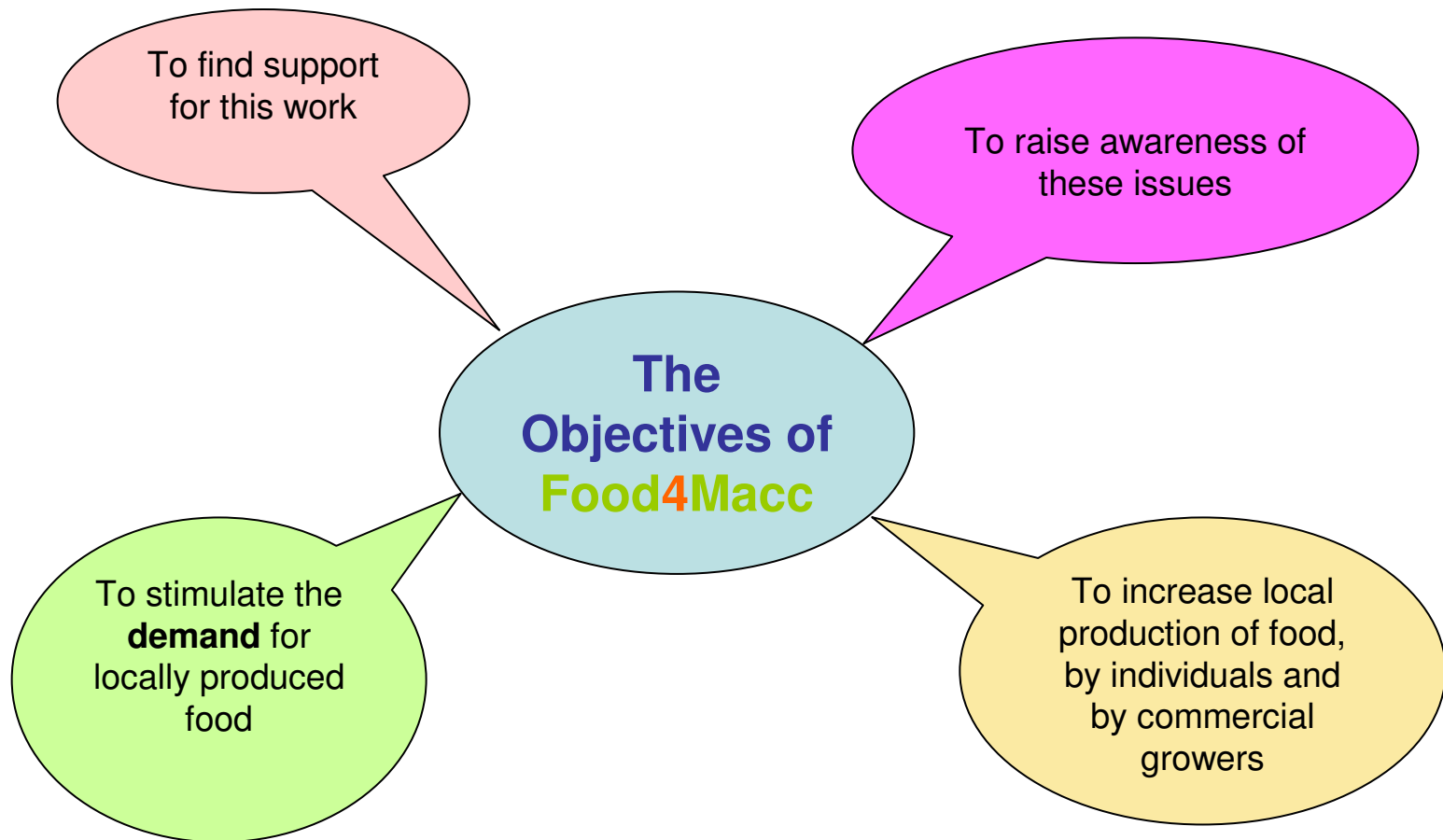
.....and today there are about 180 Transition Towns in the UK

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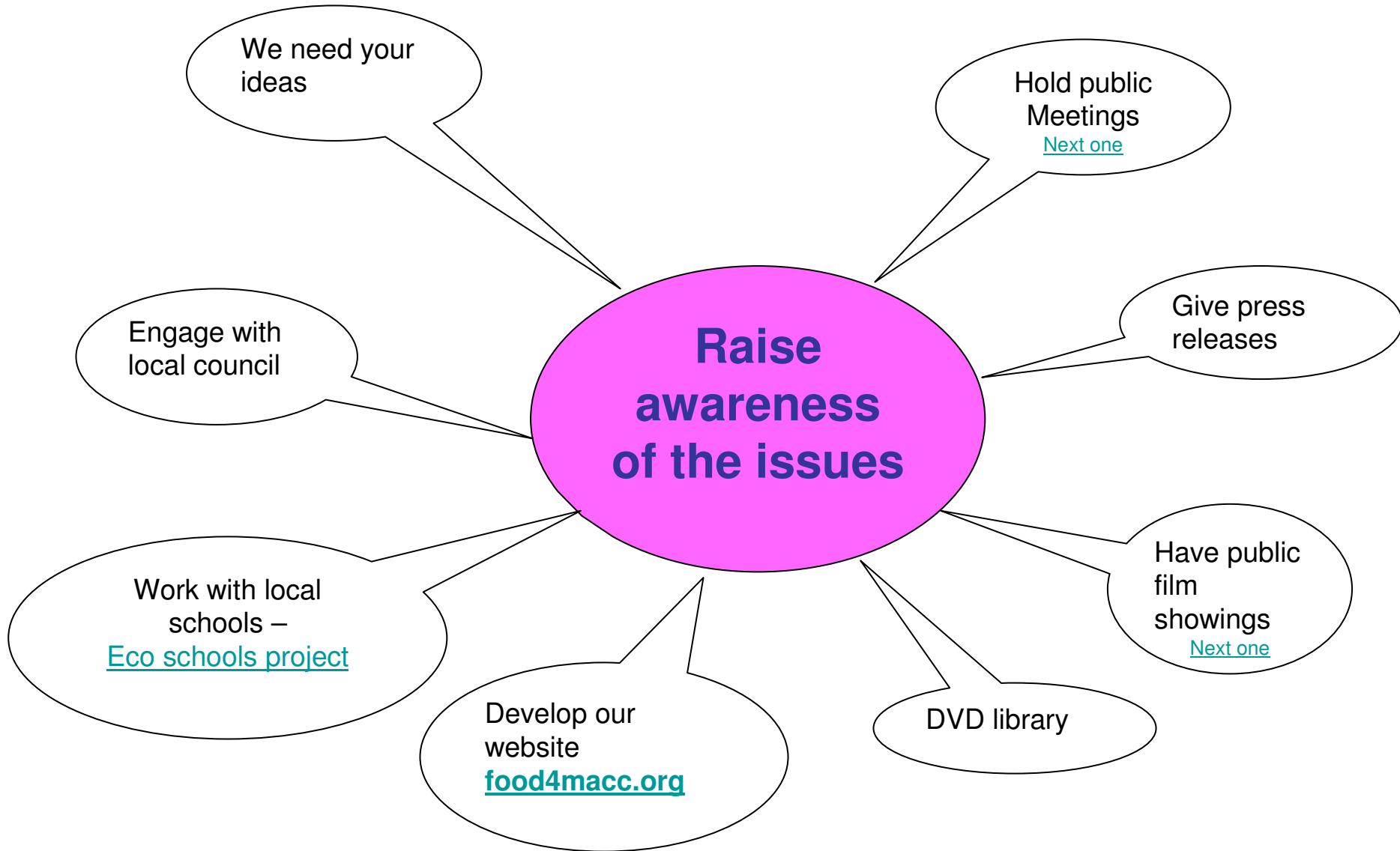
Transition in Macclesfield

- **Food4Macc** was set up when we learned about the Transition Movement from [an article](#) in the Sunday Times.
- We visited the local Transition Towns of [Leek](#) and [Todmorden](#)
- In particular we were attracted to Todmorden's plans to make their town self sufficient in food.
- We decided to concentrate on that aspect of Transition in Macclesfield

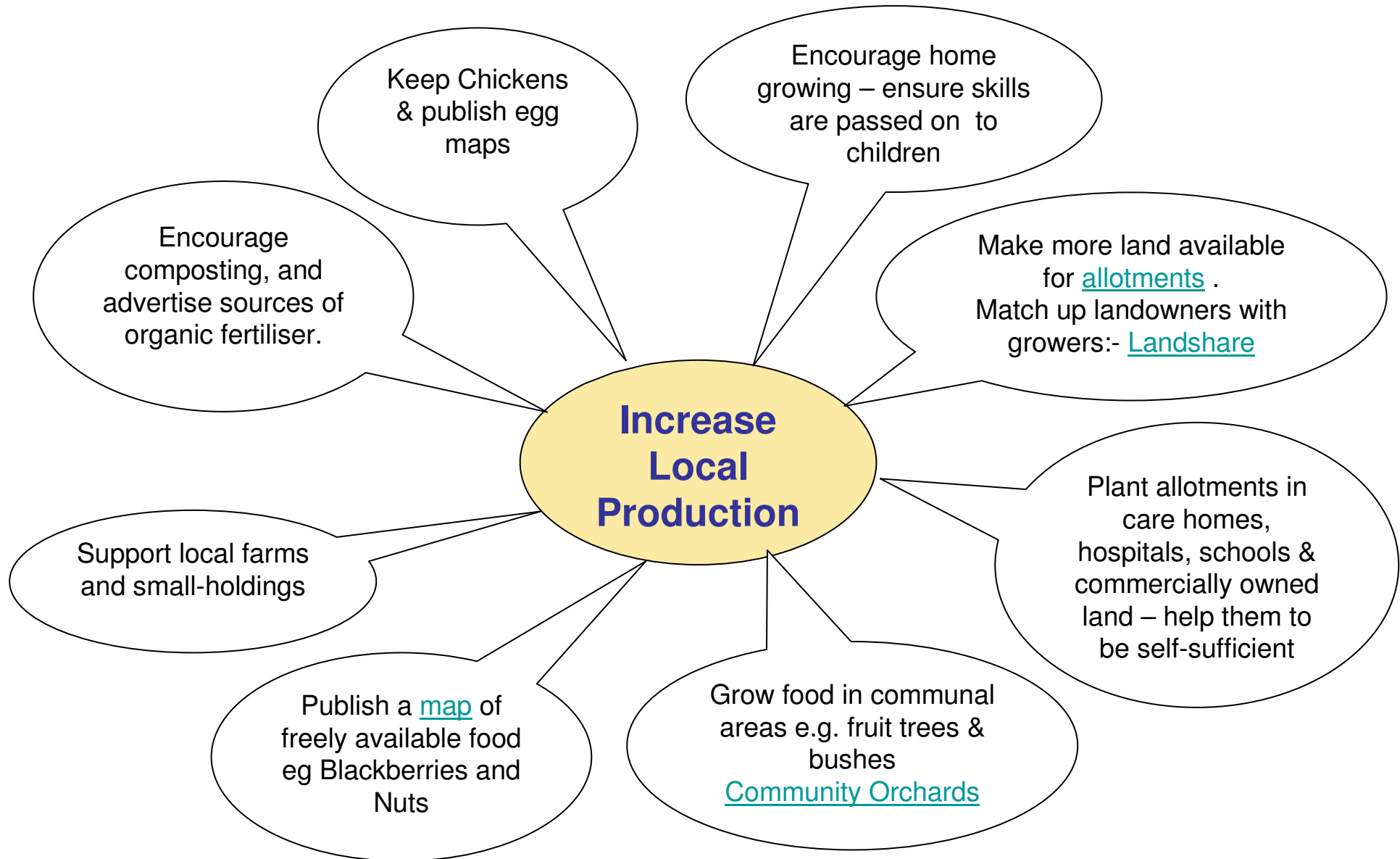
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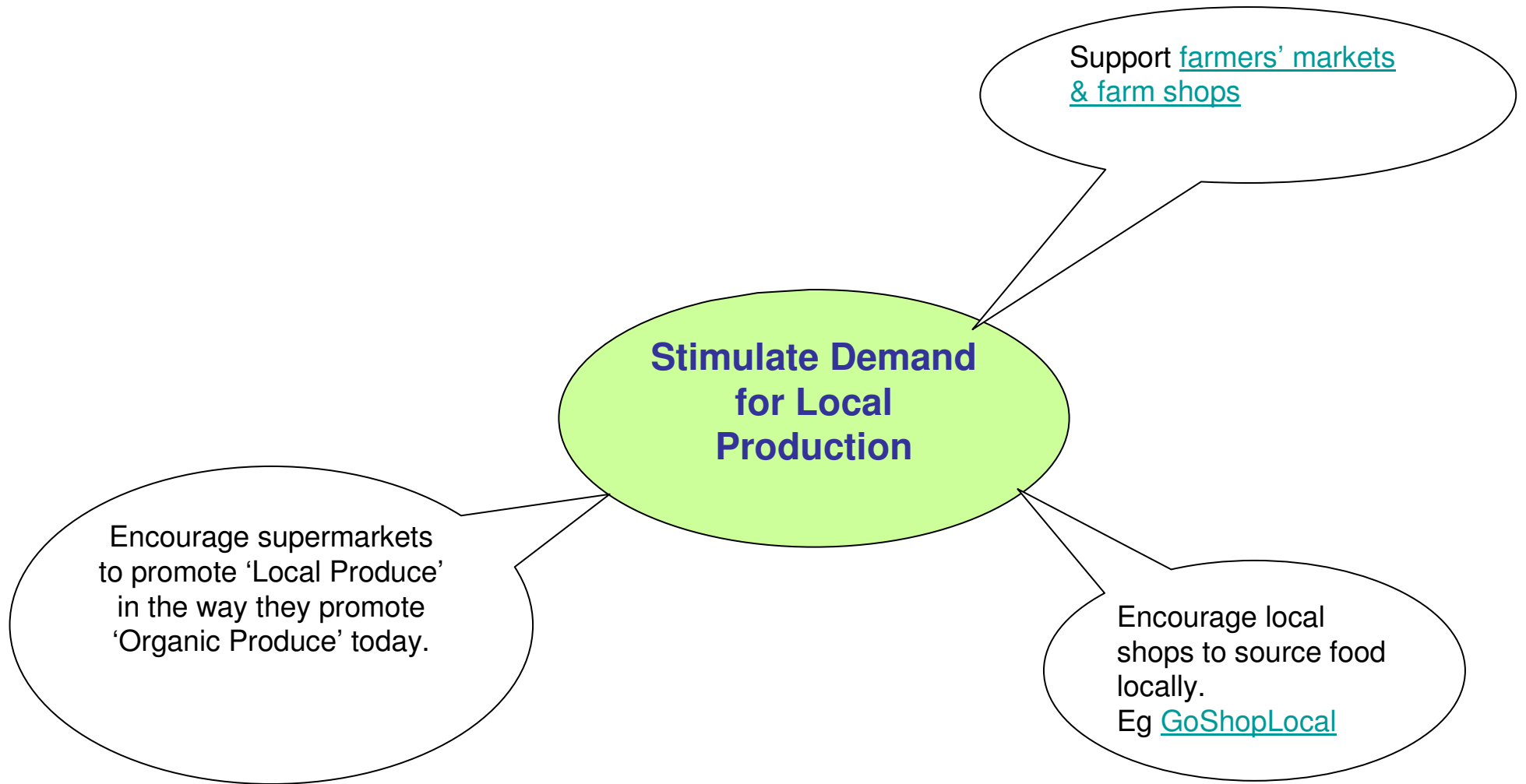
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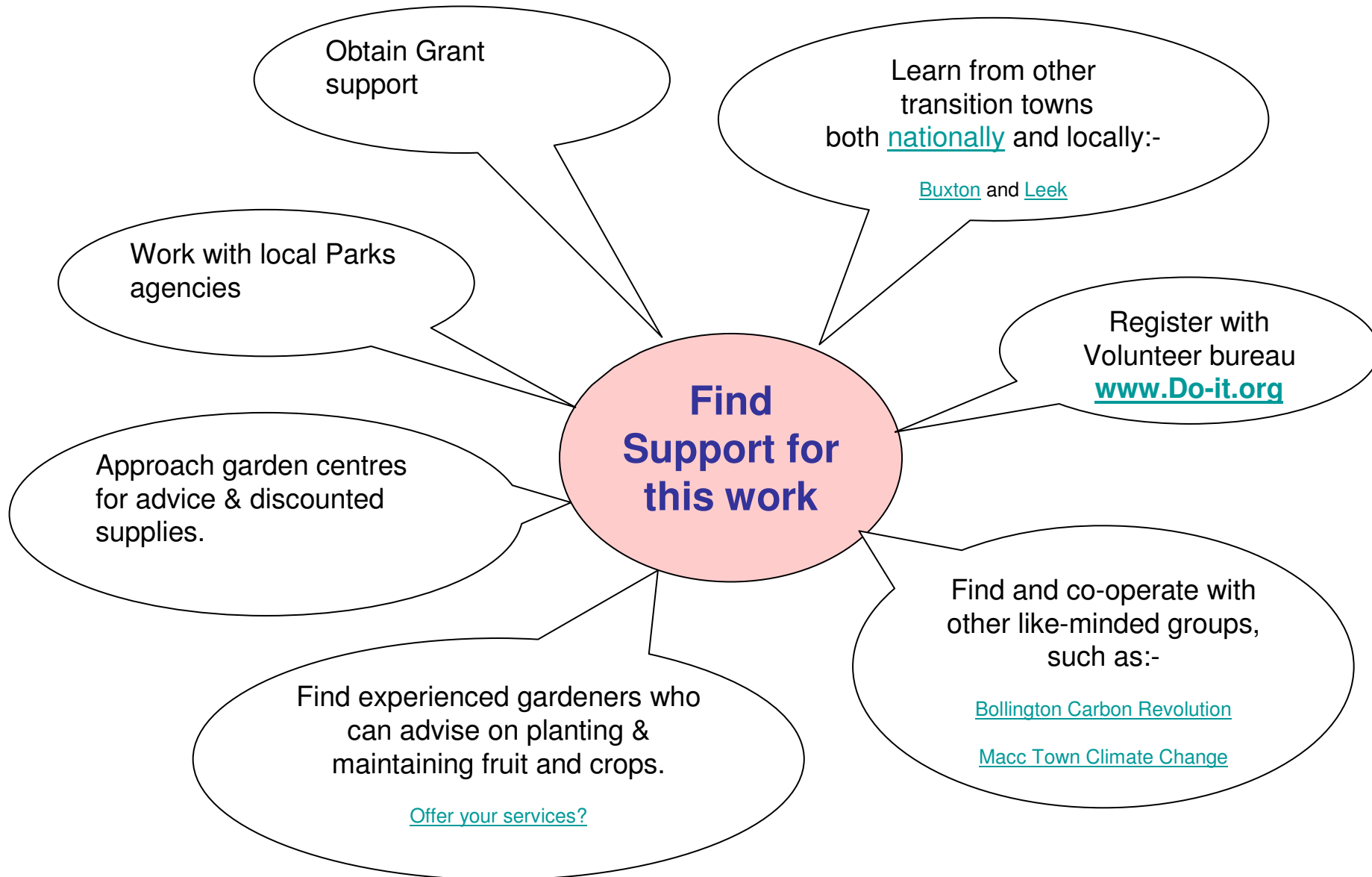
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Increasing Oil Prices will generate Opportunities

- Local producers and farmers will be given a competitive advantage over goods that are transported long distances.
- Gardening and outdoor activity will become a bigger part of life.
- People will become more involved with their community
- The experience in other Transition Towns is that the exercise has generated a lot of excitement, and fun.

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What could you do?

- We need to know who is interested in helping?
- What skills are being offered?
- Are there other local groups that we can work with?
- Do you know of resources e.g. available land, seeds, plants?
- If you would like to help, advise, or just stay informed, contact us at mail@food4macc.org

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Food4Macc is a point of contact for Macclesfield residents interested in making the town sustainable in the face of Peak Oil and Climate Change.

By taking a strategic view of life in 10-20 years time we can identify the steps needed to make the transition.

Food4Macc was set up to engage members of the community in working to develop local food supplies.
Other local groups working on different facets of Transtion are listed [here](#)