Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum policy conference:
Next steps for food system data and transparency in the UK
Timing: Morning, Monday, 23rd November 2026
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8.30 Registration

9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian

9.05 **Assessing the role of data and transparency across the UK food system - considerations for future policy and practice**
Judith Batchelar, Director, Food Matters International
Questions and comments from the floor

9.20 **Implementation of the *Farming Roadmap 2050* - priorities for data, digital systems and decision-making**
Senior representative, farming

9.30 **Agricultural and land-use data - access, control, practical use and benefit**
developing data systems to support farm management, land-use planning and policy delivery | the role of geospatial information, soil datasets, remote monitoring and digital decision-support tools | improving interoperability, data standards and access across existing systems | reducing duplication in reporting and administrative requirements | environmental measurement and evidence for agricultural payments, regulation and assurance | confidence in how data is used | data ownership, control, commercial use and legal considerations | approaches to enabling farmers, land managers and other data providers to benefit from data-sharing | practical adoption across different farming systems and land uses
Catherine Chong, Strategic Advisor, CLEAR
Senior representative, land use
Senior representative, legal
Senior representative, consultancy
Senior representative, environment

9.55 Questions and comments from the floor

10.25 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian

10.30 Break

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Senior Parliamentarian

10.50 **Data and the future of food regulation - oversight, assurance and decision-making**
Senior representative, regulation

11.00 **Supply chain transparency - traceability, resilience and consumer information**
improving information-sharing across supply chains | priorities and options for digital product records following the Department for Business, Innovation, Science and Trade call for evidence | implications for businesses trading across GB, NI and the EU | use of data to support food security, market intelligence, supply chain planning and resilience | fair dealing, price and market information and implications for producer returns | sustainability reporting, measurement and assurance | implications of the UK Sustainability Reporting Standards and supply-chain requirements | commercial sensitivity, data access and responsibilities for maintaining accurate information | consumer information, sustainability and provenance claims | credibility, comparability and informed decision-making | proposals for healthy food sales reporting and consistency of metrics
David Moore, Director, ESG, Compleat Food Group
Senior representative, retail
Senior representative, health
Senior representative, consumer

11.20 Questions and comments from the floor

11.45 **Food data infrastructure and governance - participation, accountability and digital innovation**
developing shared food data infrastructure and improving access to datasets | the role of the Food Infrastructure & Governance project, National Data Library and other shared data initiatives | interoperability, common standards and governance across sectors | roles, accountability and arrangements for building confidence in shared systems | incentives for participation and how value created from shared data is distributed among contributors | AI, predictive modelling, automation and digital decision-support | data quality and provenance | connectivity, skills and capability for smaller farms and food businesses | institutional capacity, coordination and continuity across government and the devolved administrations
Senior representative, data
Senior representative, AI
Senior representative, legal
Senior representative, investment
Questions and comments from the floor

12.30 **Progress and next steps for the Food Data Transparency Partnership**
Clare Rowntree, Head, Food Data Transparency Partnership, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Jessica Lear, Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum