

**Westminster Media Forum policy conference:  
Next steps for football governance in England**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Policy priorities for the independent regulator following the fan-led review of football governance**  
Senior representative, policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Stakeholder views on the new regulatory landscape - proposed scope, managing overlap, ensuring long-term financial sustainability, accountability and making the voice of fans heard, and options for future policy and regulation**  
**Tony Simpson**, Partner, Oliver Wyman  
**Kevin Miles**, Chief Executive Officer, Football Supporters' Association  
Senior speaker confirmed from the **Premier League**  
Senior representative, governing body  
Senior representative, women's football  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 **Duty of care - commitments to supporting player welfare, equality, diversity and inclusion at all levels**  
**Tony Burnett**, Chief Executive Officer, Kick It Out  
Senior representative, grassroots football  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.55 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.00 Break
- 11.10 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.15 **Key financial issues for English professional football**  
**Dr Christina Philippou**, Principal Lecturer, Accounting, Economics and Finance, University of Portsmouth  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Priorities for regulatory implementation in the professional game - assessing scope and practicalities**  
Senior representative, league
- 11.50 **Implementation of the independent regulator - preparation and smooth transition, relationships with stakeholders and other bodies, licensing and ownership tests, and the proposed 'State of Football' study**  
**Simon Leaf**, Partner, Mishcon de Reya  
**Calum Ross**, Assistant Director, Sports Business Group, Deloitte  
Senior representative, football club
- 12.10 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for implementing the independent regulator in English football**  
**Ben Dean**, Director, Sport and Gambling, Department for Culture, Media and Sport  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Media Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Peter van Gelder**, Director, Westminster Media Forum