

**Westminster Media Forum policy conference:
The way forward for football governance in England**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 14th January 2025

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Policy priorities for the introduction of an Independent Football Regulator in England**
Senior speaker confirmed from the **Department for Culture, Media and Sport**
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Key considerations for the future of football governance**
Senior representative, league
- 9.40 **Stakeholder views on measures expected in the Football Governance Bill**
future of revenue distribution and parachute payments | options for increased fan engagement | safeguarding community assets | operation of a licensing system | legal challenges
Maheta Molango, CEO, Professional Footballers' Association
Udo Onwere, Partner, Bray & Kraiss
Senior representative, football club
Senior representative, supporters
- 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 **'The Premier League's role in football'**
Clare Sumner CBE, Chief Policy and Corporate Affairs Officer, Premier League
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 **Lessons from other jurisdictions**
Jean-Marc Mickeler, Chairman, Professional Club Control Commission, Direction Nationale du Contrôle de Gestion
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Priorities for interoperability with continental and world football governing bodies**
Senior representative, international governing body
- 11.50 **Key considerations for improving financial sustainability in English football**
assessing new Owners' and Directors' Tests | compliance with corporate governance requirements | the way forward for industry consultation | options for future expansion of the regulatory scope | priorities for financial sustainability in women's football
Kieran Maguire, Senior Teacher, Accountancy, University of Liverpool
Matt Williams, COO, Burnley Football Club
Senior representative, women's football
Senior representative, finance
- 12.10 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Approaches for the operation of the shadow regulator**
Martyn Henderson, Interim Chief Operating Officer, Shadow Regulator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Media Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Thomas Howard, Westminster Media Forum