## **Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum policy conference:**

#### Next steps for gene-edited foods in England

Timing: Morning, Monday, 17th June 2024

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### 9.00 Chair's opening remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

# 9.05 Opportunities for genetic technologies to support food security and other key policy objectives - frameworks for delivery

Jonny Hazell, Senior Policy Adviser, The Royal Society

Questions and comments from the floor

### 9.30 Priorities for research and innovation in precision-breeding technologies

Senior representative, research

### 9.45 Key issues for the delivery of gene-edited foods

opportunities and potential for key markets including tackling food security demands and climate adaptation | consumer attitudes and trust | implications of cross-border regulatory divergence | latest developments in research, crop science and innovative technologies | intellectual property rights | regulatory certainty and product launches | investor confidence, funding and investment

Professor Nigel Halford, Crop Scientist, Rothamsted Research

Siân Edmonds, Senior Associate, Osborne Clarke

Senior representative, biotech industry Senior representative, environment Senior representative, farming

#### 10.10 Questions and comments from the floor

## 10.40 Policy developments and priorities for gene-edited food production and research

Professor Gideon Henderson, Chief Scientific Adviser, Defra

Questions and comments from the floor

# 11.05 Chair's closing remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

11.10 Break

## 11.20 Chair's opening remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

## 11.25 Regulatory priorities for moving forward gene-edited products and the biotech industry

Senior representative, industry

### 11.40 Evaluating options for the regulation of gene-edited food production

authorisation processes | regulatory certainty | food safety and concerns over new toxins | gene-edited product transparency | issues around regulatory divergence | licencing and investment | approaches to managing risk | consumer priorities | food labelling | animal welfare

Katrina Anderson, Principal Associate Director, Mills & Reeve

Senior representative, consumers Senior representative, investment Senior representative, research Senior representative, animal welfare

#### 12.05 Questions and comments from the floor

#### 12.30 Next steps for implementing a regulatory framework for gene-edited food production

Professor Robin May, Chief Scientific Adviser, Food Standards Agency

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