

Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum policy conference

The UK food supply chain - policy and support, EU and global relationships, fairness and environmental sustainability, and moving forward from COVID

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 27th May 2021

Taking Place Online

Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle, former Leader, Green Party of England and Wales
- 9.05 **Building resilience in the UK food supply chain in the response to the pandemic and into the future**
Chris Tyas, Director of Food Supplies, Defra; and Chair, GS1 UK
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **The impact of COVID-19 on the food supply chain - consumer trust and demands, vulnerability in the system, food security, and priorities for recovery**
Sue Davies, Head of Consumer Protection and Food Policy, Which?
Professor Bob Doherty, Professor of Marketing and Chair in Agrifood, Management School, University of York
Naomi Kissman, Strategy and Corporate Affairs Director, Institute of Grocery Distribution
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.10 Break
- 10.15 **The outlook for international trade and the relationship with the EU**
Phil Bicknell, Market Intelligence Director, AHDB
- 10.25 **Priorities for UK ports - responding to new pressures, managing the transition from the EU and preparing for future shocks**
Richard Ballantyne, Chief Executive, British Ports Association
- 10.35 **EU exit and the food supply chain - logistics, navigating regulatory changes, building strength and resilience, and options for supporting the sector to adapt, recover from losses, and overcome workforce challenges**
Jessica Burt, Food and Beverage Lawyer, Mills & Reeve
Katrina Walsh, Policy Director, International Meat Trade Association
Professor Michael Bourlakis, Director, Centre of Logistics, Procurement and Supply Chain Management and Director of Research, Cranfield School of Management, Cranfield University
David Camp, Chief Executive, Association of Labour Providers
- 10.55 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.10 **Chair's closing remarks**
Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle, former Leader, Green Party of England and Wales
- 11.15 Break
- 11.25 **Chair's opening remarks**
Rt Hon Lord Whitty, Member, Food, Poverty, Health and Environment Committee, House of Lords
- 11.30 **Reducing emissions and waste across the food supply chain - the role of the sector in the developing policy framework for agriculture and environment**
James Elliott, Senior Policy Adviser, Green Alliance
Dr Liz Goodwin, Senior Fellow and Director, Food Loss And Waste, World Resources Institute
- 11.40 **Improving fairness in the supply chain and the impact of the new policy landscape following EU exit - food pricing, setting standards, and managing compliance and enforcement**
Vicki Hird, Head of Sustainable Farming Campaign, Sustain
Jack Ward, Chief Executive Officer, British Growers Association
Professor Tony Heron, Professor of International Political Economy, University of York
Ed Barker, Head of Policy and External Affairs, Agricultural Industries Confederation
Richard Harrow, CEO, British Frozen Food Federation
- 12.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **Priorities for the Groceries Code - regulation, responsiveness and fairness as the sector moves forward**
Mark White, Groceries Code Adjudicator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum closing remarks**
Rt Hon Lord Whitty, Member, Food, Poverty, Health and Environment Committee, House of Lords
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum