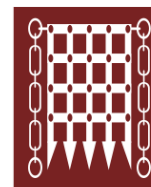


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Next steps for policy on novel foods and alternative proteins in the UK**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Policy priorities and the future for the novel foods sector**  
Senior representative, policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Assessing current issues, opportunities, and future outlook of the novel foods and alternative proteins sector**  
**Linus Pardoe**, Senior UK Policy Manager, Good Food Institute Europe
- 9.40 **Developing the alternative protein industry - opportunities and key considerations for policy going forward**  
*assessing the direction of new government policy | opportunities for economic development and growth in the agri-food sector | funding priorities and investor confidence | industry role in tackling climate change challenges and improving public health | strategies for increasing consumer acceptance | options for expanding R&D and sector innovation | strategies for incentivising companies to develop and launch products in the UK | unlocking technologies to navigate risks and improve commercial prospects*  
**Robert Jappie**, Partner, Fieldfisher  
**Jen Elford**, Head of Policy and External Affairs, The Vegetarian Society  
**Tim Black**, Associate Director, Frontier Economics  
Senior representative, research  
Senior representative, industry
- 10.15 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **The future direction of alternative proteins - investment, research and building the sustainable food market**  
Senior representative, investment  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.05 Break
- 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.20 **Latest developments international approaches to novel foods regulation**  
Senior representative, international
- 11.30 **Cross-border issues for novel food policy and regulation in the UK**  
Senior representative, devolved
- 11.40 **Stakeholder priorities for novel food regulation going forward**  
*assessing regulatory outlook | navigating the proposed 'sliding scale' for product approval | implications for trade | approaches to managing risk and safety | options for improving speed and efficiency of approvals process | latest thinking on food labelling and product transparency | implications of cross-border regulatory divergence | examining options for food safety metrics and data*  
**Katrina Anderson**, Principal Associate, Mills & Reeve  
Senior representative, consumers  
Senior representative, industry  
Senior representative, trade  
Senior academic
- 12.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Key considerations for the future of novel foods regulation**  
**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