

## Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum policy conference:

### Priorities for food security in the UK

Timing: Morning, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Baroness Boycott
- 9.05 **The current state of food security policy and key policy considerations for the new Government**  
James Kane, Associate, Institute for Government  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **'Transforming food systems: what does this actually mean, and who has to do what?'**  
Dr John Ingram, Programme Leader, Food Systems, Environmental Change Institute, University of Oxford
- 9.45 **Priorities for new approaches to addressing food security in the UK**  
*funding budgets for agriculture and environmental improvement | resilient supply chains | climate adaptation and land use | increasing domestic food production | innovation and infrastructure | labour shortages, skills and knowledge transfer | accountability | data and forecasting*  
Ian Mace, Head, Government Affairs and Policy, Associated British Foods  
Stephen Jacob, Chief Executive, Institute for Agriculture and Horticulture  
Sarah Bradbury, CEO, Institute of Grocery Distribution  
Senior representative, innovation  
Senior representative, agriculture
- 10.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Next steps for the contribution of the food industry to food security and climate change adaptation**  
Senior representative, food industry  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Baroness Boycott
- 11.10 Break
- 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.25 **Examining food insecurity, obesity and options for policy levers to tackle key issues**  
Professor Christina Vogel, Professor, Food Policy and Director, Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London
- 11.40 **Strategies to tackle food poverty and improve accessibility to healthy food**  
*addressing household food insecurity | cost of living challenges | third sector and local government strategies to address food poverty | enabling access to healthy and affordable food ranges | role of education in healthy eating habits | next steps for free school meals*  
Councillor Kemi Akinola, Deputy Leader, Wandsworth Council  
Reema Reid, Headteacher, Hollydale Primary School, London  
Leticija Petrovic, Local Food Policy Lead, The Food Foundation  
Senior representative, retail
- 12.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Priorities and next steps for policy to build UK food security**  
Senior speaker confirmed from Defra  
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