

**Agenda for a Meeting of the Cross Party Group on Food to be held virtually at
6pm on Wednesday February 3rd 2021**

The meeting will be chaired by John Scott MSP

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the last meeting (November 25th 2020)
3. Matters Arising

4. Learning About Food and Drink- Resources and Pathways

The new Covid lockdown has, once again, resulted in a return to home schooling and blended learning approaches for both educators and parents. Following the impact of the first lockdown, there is an increased awareness of the importance of the food industry and its supply chains and a thirst for developing greater knowledge and understanding of this vital sector and the people and processes involved in getting food to our plates.

Food Education Partners and other stakeholders have worked together for a number of years to develop educational resources to address this learning requirement and to develop greater awareness of the careers and progression pathways offered by the food and drink industry. A significant resource of information now exists achieved through partnership and collaboration. This includes teaching materials and expert skills advice in a variety of media. Examples of these resources and opportunities will be reviewed.

There will be presentations from;

- **Introduction and Context** - Moira Stalker, Skills Manager, FDF Scotland
- **Food STEM and Sustainability** - Sara Smith, Royal Highland Educational Trust Learning and Development Co-ordinator
- **Collaboration Examples** - Mary Holland, Director, Developing Young Workforce North East
- **Farming Footsteps** - Jennifer Robertson, Health and Education Manager, Quality Meat Scotland

There will then be an open debate.

If your organization has any resources then please could you send me links to these or raise in the open debate. A list can then be collated and any gaps identified.

5. AOB

The CPG Food will then be disbanded prior to the Scottish election