

# Agenda for a Meeting of the Cross Party Group on Food to be held virtually at 6pm on Wednesday January 26th 2022

The meeting will be chaired by Rhoda Grant MSP

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the last meeting (November 3rd 2021)
3. Matters Arising
4. Good Food Nation (Scotland) Bill –Achieving the Vision

The [Good Food Nation \(Scotland\) Bill](#) was introduced on 7 October 2021. The Bill proposes to require Scottish Ministers to prepare a national Good Food Nation Plan and have regard to it in the exercise of specified functions. Furthermore, the Bill also proposes to require specified public authorities to produce their own good food nation plans, having regard to the national good food nation plan.

The Scottish Government set out in its 2018 consultation document the vision that a Good Food Nation is “where people from every walk of life take pride and pleasure in, and benefit from, the food they produce, buy, cook, serve, and eat each day.”

There will be presentations from;

- Dr Ashley Cooke, Head of Food Policy, Scottish Government
- Stephanie Mander, Co-ordinator, Scottish Food Coalition
- Jayne Jones, Commercial Manager, Argyll and Bute Council

This will be followed by an open debate covering in particular;

- Purpose
- Making this a vision for everyone
- Co-ordinating cross cutting policies

George Burgess, Deputy Director, Food & Drink, Scottish Government will join the meeting for the debate.

5. AOB
6. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be in May 2022 and will hopefully be live. A date will be confirmed nearer the time.