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Lord Redesdale
Chair, Horticultural Sector Committee
Sent by email

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Dear Lord Redesdale,

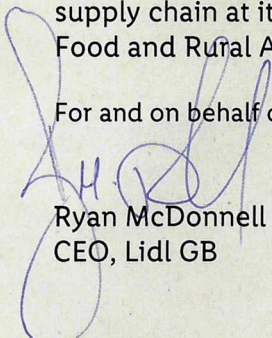
Thank you for your invitation to give oral evidence to the Horticultural Sector Committee.

At Lidl GB, our purpose is to make good food accessible to everyone, but we strive to do so in ways that benefit producers, people, and the planet. Currently, around two thirds of our core products are sourced from British suppliers. We work with hundreds of suppliers across the country, many of who we've worked with for decades, and as a result have shared our success. In FY23 alone, we are investing over £4bn in British food businesses.

The farmers and producers who supply us are incredibly important to our business – without their quality produce, we wouldn't be able to serve our customers in the way that we do. We see our suppliers as partners in our mission of bringing British shoppers high quality produce at affordable prices.

As we are currently focussed on delivering this mission, we are unable to participate in the oral evidence session. However, we are aware that the UK Government announced a full investigation into the horticulture supply chain at its recent "Farm to Fork Summit". We will participate in the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs' review once it has been launched later this year.

For and on behalf of Lidl Great Britain Limited


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