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Founder and Director of the Centre for Turkey Studies and the British Kebab Awards

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It is now 10 years since we launched the British Kebab Awards. What a 10 years!

We have seen the rise and fall of Donald Trump. We have had three British Prime Ministers. We have endured a terrible global pandemic, and economic turmoil.

It's been a tough time for our industry. Really tough. Money is tight in many communities. Not every part of the country is thriving. Rents and rates are still an issue waiting for long term solution.

Utility bills are up.

The cost of food is up.

Small businesses turnover is down.

You can see the impact on every high street, with empty premises and rows of charity shops.

And yet here we still are. Still standing. Older, Stronger, and more united than ever in our celebration of the mighty British kebab.

We celebrate the kebab itself – from fine dining to a tasty takeaway. A true British dish. As British as pie and mash or fish and chips or lamb bhuna and naan. But more, tonight we celebrate those who bring us the kebabs: The delivery drivers, The chefs and kitchen staff, The suppliers and wholesalers, The people slicing the meat and the people clearing the tables, The entrepreneurs who see a space on the high street and imagine a queue of hungry people.

Everyone who has ever picked up a kebab knife or chopped up a lettuce or squirted some chilli sauce to make a kebab – we salute you.

So often our industry thrives because of people who have arrived in the UK from other countries – seeking out a better life for themselves and their families, rolling up their sleeves and getting to work.

We all know the economic importance of migrants – now perhaps Ministers are finally waking up to the reality: the UK needs its immigrants as much as immigrants need the UK.

Immigrants and refugees come for a better life, but we make life better for everyone.

And we don't just want to wait on tables, we want a seat at the table.

The kebab industry is proud to stand with the Kebab Alliance and the British Takeaway Campaign, to ensure our voice is heard at the highest levels of Government.

British Kebab Awards would be impossible without so many friends and supporters.

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and I'd like to thank the British Kebab Awards team.

And our judges – they have dealt with a record number of nominations this year, from all corners of the nation.

And our friends in the trade unions, TUC, Unite the Union, GMB, Community Union, FBU and our supporters from the world of politics, Nadhim Zahawi, Angela Rayner, David Lammy, Jonathan Reynolds, David Warburton, Carolyn Harris, Ed Davey, Alison Thewlis, Angus MacNeill and so many more which is a proof that the British Kebab Awards are an established part of the events calendar.

The kebab industry is worth £2.8 billion to the British economy, and we need our governments help to create the conditions for us to thrive and grow.

We need continuing support from the Government –

we need ministers to freeze VAT for our industry,

No business rates until the end of 2022

No more rip-off rents,

A practical solution to labour shortages

And an end to HMRC charging interest on corporation tax when it is deferred because of Covid.

British Kebab Awards will continue to grow and provide a platform for the Kebab Industry to make its voice heard.

10th British Kebab Awards

The British kebab industry contributes over £2.8 billion annually to the British economy, providing around 200,000 jobs across restaurants, suppliers and the wider food industry in the UK.



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The British Kebab Awards, now in its tenth year, aim to celebrate the cultural impact of the kebab, while recognising the economic contribution made by the often small, family-run businesses that make up the industry.

Today, kebab shops and restaurants are a crucial component of the nation's local economies and highstreets. And they're big business, with an estimated 1.5million kebabs sold every day by over 20,000 outlets across the UK. These are supplied by around 200 local manufacturers, which sell around 2,500 tonnes of lamb and chicken a week, with a turnover in excess of £750m.

The continued success of the sector is down to hard work of entrepreneurs, chefs, waiters, pot washers and delivery drivers across the country. Often from immigrant backgrounds, their passion and dedication has given rise to a thriving industry, fusing a diverse cultural heritage with modern trends and innovations.

Thousands of nominations have been received from across the UK before being meticulously sorted into a shortlist of 18 categories. These finalists, and the eventual winners, are selected by our judges, who are a vital component of the validity and robustness of the results.

Comprised of experts from the industry, politicians, and journalists, the judging panel takes a number of key aspects into consideration – rewarding hygiene rating, high-quality ingredients, value for money, innovation, customer service and, of course, popularity with the public.

Our winners represent the very best that this highly competitive industry has to offer. But beyond individual excellence, kebabs have become a Great British institution – a true cause for shared celebration.

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Andrew Kenny

UK Managing Director for Just Eat

It's a great honour to once again be sponsoring the British Kebab Awards. After an incredibly challenging two years, there's never been a better time to recognise the resilient and hard working individuals within the kebab restaurant and takeaway sector.

Despite the many obstacles faced, from shortages in the supply chain to difficulty in recruiting skilled workers, restaurants have risen to the occasion and delivered customers a taste of normality when they needed it the most.

Just Eat recognises how important it is to support the restaurants within this industry, as they grow and develop their business. We spearheaded the British Takeaway Campaign, bringing together the takeaway sector to provide a unified voice in tackling these challenges.

As market leader, Just Eat must lead by example, which is why we've introduced and heavily invested into our business, restaurant partners and courier networks.

Just Eat became the first food delivery aggregator in the UK to

offer a worker-model for couriers, ensuring they are paid a living wage and receive statutory benefits such as pension contributions, sick pay, and holiday pay. This has currently created over 6,000 jobs since it launched in November 2020.

As well as this, Just Eat will be creating more than 1,500 customer service jobs. The roles will be based at a new facility in Sunderland as part of a £100m investment in the region over the next five years.

As part of our commitment to reduce plastic pollution across the food delivery sector, Just Eat has teamed up with CLUBZERO to trial a reusable packaging service. Designed to replace plastic packaging through a convenient return scheme, the three month trial will see Just Eat restaurant partners across London test the service with reusable takeaway boxes.

And finally, we have teamed up with Gregg Wallace to support our restaurant partners to offer healthier options. Insights from this will be used to create a programme which offers support to the thousands of Just Eat independent restaurant partners in the UK.

We want to ensure that takeaway restaurants - especially in this sector which contributes so much to British culture - don't just survive, but thrive, in today's challenging economic climate.

On behalf of Just Eat, I would like to congratulate Ibrahim for making the British Kebab Awards a huge success, and wish each and every one of the finalists the very best of luck.



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The Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP

Prime Minister of the United Kingdom

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I hope you're having a good evening and I'm sorry I can't join you for Westminster's most hotly anticipated calendar event of the year.

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From Edinburgh to Enfield, from Coventry to Craigavon, the kebab is a staple of the British High Street and it's fantastic to see the success of these awards year after year. Well done to the team for all their work, organising the event and for securing such a distinguished lineup of judges and guests. Congratulations to the winners and to the finalists and indeed to every kebab shop and restaurant whether you're nominated or not. You can all take pride in being the highlight of someone else's night or the treat they look forward to each week with their family and friends. So I hope everyone has a good night and I'm wishing you all the very best.



The Rt Hon Keir Starmer MP

Member of Parliament for Holborn and St Pancras
Leader of the Labour Party

I'd like to extend my best regards to this year's celebration of the British kebab industry. The challenges businesses have faced over the past year have been unprecedented, and the hospitality sector has felt this acutely. It's therefore right and important that successes in the industry are celebrated. Like many small enterprises, the kebab industry has stepped up where it can, to protect jobs, and to serve communities, with over 20,000 kebab restaurants and takeaways across the UK, contributing £2.8bn to the UK economy. As Labour leader, I am committed to making this the most pro-business Labour Party ever. I'm making the argument for a new partnership between an active state and enterprising business. The next Labour government will be focussed on tackling the deep inequalities and injustices across our country. We'll ensure that business can thrive and create the jobs of the future, and help every region and nation prosper. Thank you for your hard work and perseverance, and I hope you have an enjoyable evening.



The Rt Hon Nadhim Zahawi MP

Member of Parliament for Stratford-on-Avon
Secretary of State for Education

Like much of the hospitality sector, Kebab Houses were hit hard by the pandemic. Which is why there has never been a better time to fan the flames of Britain's love affair with kebabs than by supporting The British Kebab Awards this year. This year's awards serve not just as an opportunity to recognise the Kebab Houses which have continued to excite palates and fill stomachs in the face of so much adversity, but also as an opportunity to stride towards enhanced standards and an ever more vibrant industry as we emerge from the ashes of coronavirus.



Lord Karan Bilimoria

The Founder and Chairman of Cobra Beer

We are so proud to be sponsoring the British Kebab Awards, once again. Cobra has always had a special relationship with the kebab industry, and our support for both the awards and the industry is ongoing.

The awards always recognise the dedication, hard-work and success of the members of the kebab industry in the UK as well as the industry's tremendous contribution to the British economy - with over 20,000 kebab outlets in the UK, employing around 200,000 people, the kebab industry contributes close to £2.8 billion to the UK economy annually.

Having founded Cobra Beer in 1989, long before the rise of craft beer, I wanted to create a beer with the smoothness of an ale and the refreshment of a lager combined. In other words, a beer that was Brewed Smooth for All Food.

Cobra's smooth mouthfeel and finer bubbles make it the perfect serve alongside all types of kebab. It is this harmonious pairing that has formed such a strong relationship between Cobra and the kebab industry over the years. Only the finest natural

ingredients are used in the production of Cobra Beer, including barley malt, rice, maize, wheat, and three varieties of hops, resulting in Cobra Beer now being the bestselling beer in Indian restaurants in UK, as well as one of the strongest and best-known brands in the world beer category in the UK.

Despite our joint success, it is an unavoidable truth that the restaurant industry has faced huge challenges. Sadly, this has been a tragic time for so many families in our industry who have lost loved ones, our thoughts have been with them throughout. This year the awards will be recognising the resilience and courage of members of our industry and community more than ever.

The country has been inspired by the unprompted acts of generosity and compassion by so many restaurateurs who, in spite of suffering so much themselves, prepared meals and personally delivered them to their local NHS hospitals.

These are true heroes. All being well, after 2 years, we should now finally be putting the Covid-19 pandemic behind us, and the team at Cobra Beer, and I, look forward to building forward better with the Kebab industry.

It is this sense of community that has supported Cobra and the kebab industry, resulting in the success we both enjoy today. By having strong relationships, we can move further forward, together. We believe that if you want to go fast, go alone, and if you want to go far, go together. Let's come together to talk to each other, share ideas together, be role models for those who are new to the industry and provide a voice of guidance to a network of passionate individuals who share this industry with us all.

I congratulate all the nominees and winners of the Kebab Awards.

They are an inspiration to us all and particularly to the younger members of the kebab industry families, who I am sure will be inspired by these awards and will aspire to achieve themselves in the future.

On behalf of everyone here at Cobra, I would like to thank you all for your years of support. With many thanks and congratulations to Ibrahim Dogus and all the Kebab awards team.

The kebab industry is one which is close to our hearts, and I look forward to celebrating our future success, together.





The Rt Hon Priti Patel

Home Secretary
Member of Parliament for Witham

It is a great pleasure to congratulate all the participants in, and winners of, this year's British Kebab Awards. This £3 billion industry is a major jobs and wealth generator, providing over 200,000 jobs in 20,000 restaurants. This is also an industry which is responding positively to the challenges of our times, including a greater focus on healthy-eating. Through the industry of its restaurateurs, the kebab has become as established a national dish as chicken tikka masala! I commend everyone who has made this possible.



Sadiq Khan

Mayor of London

I would like to send my best wishes to the British Kebab Awards and congratulate all the nominees. This ceremony is one of the highlights of London's calendar and a chance to celebrate a much-loved cuisine of Londoners. London has a thriving hospitality and restaurant trade, and these awards highlight the importance of the kebab industry's contributions to the city's culture and economy. London is open to world's best cuisine, the world's best chefs and to the world's best kebabs I would like to thank the organisers of these awards for hosting this event in London and I wish them all the best.



Rt Hon Sir Iain Duncan Smith MP

Member of Parliament for Chingford & Woodford Green
Former Leader of the Conservative Party

I am delighted to support the British Kebab Awards, which recognises individuals and businesses at the forefront of the kebab industry from local takeaways to fine dining. I would like to pay tribute to those individuals and businesses in applauding their achievements particularly in a very challenging year. Kebab restaurants and takeaways are a key part of the local community and offer a vital source of local jobs, bring diversity to our high streets and make a significant contribution to the UK economy. It is very encouraging to see so many entries in a year that has tested every business operating in the hospitality sector.



The Rt Hon Michael Gove MP

Member of Parliament for Surrey Heath
Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
Minister for Intergovernmental Relations

It is great to see the British Kebab Awards showcasing some of the UK's most creative and innovative culinary talent at this year's ceremony. Across the country, kebab businesses play an important role in making our food and drink industry a success story – supporting thousands of jobs and boosting the economy. I'd like to wish all of the awards nominees the best of luck for the ceremony and every success in the coming year.



The Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP

Member of Parliament for Bromsgrove
Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

I have always been a proud supporter of the British Kebab Awards and I am delighted to support them again this year. The economic, cultural, and culinary impact of restaurants and chefs across the country is on such a scale, that I fear it would be more controversial for the Health Secretary not to support them! Congratulations to all of the nominees on their success and I wish them the very best for the future.



The Rt Hon Angela Rayner

Deputy Leader of the Labour Party
Shadow First Secretary of State

The kebab industry is an integral part of modern British culture and the night time economy in almost all of our towns and cities. I congratulate all of the nominees for awards and for the contribution that they make to our economy and society.



Jo Stevens MP

Member of Parliament for Cardiff Central

The British Kebab Awards is always a highlight of the year for me. Kebab restaurants and independent food retailers are right at the heart of the vibrant high streets in Cardiff Central. After a very tough 18 months for the industry, it'll be great to be back at the British Kebab Awards once again to celebrate these great local businesses and the people who work so hard within them. Congratulations to all those who've been nominated this year, and very best of luck for the finals



Alison Thewliss MP

Member of Parliament for Glasgow Central
SNP Shadow Chancellor

I'm delighted to support the annual British Kebab Awards – they are a fantastic celebration of a food that Glasgow has really taken to heart. Whether it's a lunchtime on-the-go shawarma, a delicious sit down meal, or a late night treat, there is an increasing range of options in the city for the many Glaswegians who enjoy kebabs. Those running kebab venues have worked throughout the pandemic, and kept us all going in difficult times. My thanks and very best wishes to all who are nominated, and to purveyors of delicious kebabs in my Glasgow Central constituency.



Alex Sobel MP

Member of Parliament for Leeds North West
Shadow Minister of State for Tourism and Heritage

As Shadow Tourism and Heritage Sector I know the importance of the UK Catering Sector to our Tourism Offer and the Kebab has over recent years become part of our food heritage, not least due to the recognition of initiatives like the British Kebab Awards.



Sharon Hodgson MP

Member of Parliament for Washington and Sunderland West
Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Leader of the Opposition

I'm delighted to support the British Kebab Awards and celebrate kebab businesses in the UK, which make our highstreets up and down the country glow and our economy thrive. Just like the British Kebab industry, the British Kebab Awards have gone from strength to strength, and now in its 10th year, I wish them continued success.



Ruth Cadbury MP

Member of Parliament for Brentford and Isleworth
Shadow Minister for Planning

We are blessed in Britain to have access to food from all over the world in our high streets. And no cuisine can beat kebabs for the combination of tastiness, good value and versatility. However, as with all food, quality can vary and that is why the British Kebab Awards are so important. These awards celebrate the best in the business, and so promote the highest standards of food hygiene, customer care, as well as taste of course. Congratulations to the nominees and winners, and thank you to Ibrahim and his team for all you do to promote kebabs across the UK!



Mark Drakeford MS

First Minister of Wales

I was taken aback by the sheer number of entrants and finalists in this year's British Kebab Awards – in Wales alone, there are 10 finalists all competing for the honour of winning the title of Best Kebab House in Wales. But I shouldn't be surprised. Every town and every high street has a kebab takeaway and restaurant. And every town has its own variation and specialty. Britain's kebab houses really have become the beating hearts of our high streets. I want to thank Ibrahim for founding these awards and for shining a spotlight on this much-loved food and all the people behind all these small businesses in our communities. And I want to wish everyone who has been shortlisted for this year's awards the very best of luck.



Anna McMorris MP

Member of Parliament for Cardiff North
Shadow Minister for Victims and Youth Justice

I am thrilled to be supporting the British Kebab Awards again this year and to be celebrating our well-loved kebab shops across the country. Despite it having been an incredibly difficult time for the industry, our kebab shops have worked hard to keep us fed on our nights in and I look forward to celebrating their resilience and important contribution to our communities. Good luck to all kebab shops nominated, but especially here in Cardiff North.



Margaret Ferrier MP

Member of Parliament for Rutherglen and Hamilton West

I am delighted to lend my support to the 10th British Kebab Awards this year. The food and takeaway industry has proven to be exceptionally resilient over the last eighteen months, and I am glad to see restaurants recognised and celebrated. I would like to offer congratulations to the finalists, and hope they have a wonderful evening at this event.



Jane Hunt MP

Member of Parliament for Loughborough PPS to the Cabinet Office

I am delighted to support the British Kebab Awards. My constituency of Loughborough is the home to many great places where you can get an excellent kebab, and I am pleased to see one of them in the finals. Good luck to them and well done to all entries this year.



David Warburton MP

Member of Parliament for Somerton and Frome

Over the past six decades, kebab shops have become a staple of the British high street. Kebabs are enjoyed across the length and breadth of the Britain and, what's more, the industry contributes billions to the economy and is an integral facet of our world-class hospitality industry. The fabulous Kebab Awards give us all a chance to acknowledge and award our fantastic kebab restaurants and chefs for their outstanding cuisine.



Jonathan Reynolds MP

Member of Parliament for Stalybridge and Hyde
Shadow Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

The British Kebab Awards celebrate the tremendous contribution made by this sector to the UK. Whether it's the cultural, culinary, or economic impact we consider, there really is a lot to recognise and celebrate. Thank you to everyone who makes it such a success - and let's all agree the very best kebabs are to be found in Greater Manchester!



Scott Mann MP

Member of Parliament for North Cornwall
Assistant Whip

I am looking forward to attending the 10th British Kebab Awards later this year. I know several of my colleagues speak fondly of this event and I am sure it will live up to expectations! Takeaways are a valuable part of high streets across the UK and I am pleased these awards celebrate the wealth of talent across the sector and give us all a chance to recognise the important contribution takeaways make to their communities.



The Rt Hon Sir George Howarth MP

Member of Parliament for Knowsley

The British Kebab Awards is always a great opportunity to celebrate the service the fast-food industry provides to the hungry public. Having experienced all of trials and tribulations of COVID-19 and the restrictions imposed, I think we now know even better just how important it is to get fast, easy to access meals to pick up from the provider in person or, increasingly by a deliver service. I warmly wish the awards every success.



The Rt Hon Damian Green MP

Member of Parliament for Ashford,
Chair of the One Nation Conservative Caucus

It is particularly good to write in support of the British Kebab Awards this year, as so many restaurants will have had their most difficult year ever, because of the pandemic. As a result it is a pleasure to wish all restaurant owners and workers a happier 2022, as the country returns to normal and people start to eat out again, as well as having food delivered at home. For more than 60 years the British people have shown that they love kebabs, so that they are now a part of the national diet. It is good to celebrate the success of so many small businesses, who play a vital role in local communities all around the country. Not only do they provide food, they help provide jobs and prosperity. We should mark these many success stories with a great night of celebration, and be thankful for the hard work put in every day by so many people in the kebab industry. I hope the awards evening goes as well as ever, and that everyone involved has a great year ahead of them.



Rokhsana Fiaz OBE

Mayor of Newham

I am proud to send my support to the British Kebab Awards and to all kebab businesses in Newham and nationwide. Kebab businesses have brought much needed joy and comfort to us all this year, adapting quickly to feed us safely with takeaways. They have also been severely affected by the opening and closing cycles that have hurt all businesses. While we must stay at home, we are very lucky in Newham to be able to eat cuisine from all around the world from our takeaways. Our COVID 19 Recovery and Reorientation Strategy states our intention to measure our success as a council by the health and wellbeing of our residents, and as part of this I look forward to working with our kebab businesses to ensure healthy food options are available across the borough. Our kebab businesses in Newham are representative of all the borough has to offer – huge diversity, a global outlook and of course, excellence. I would like to publically thank them for the hard work and commitment they have shown this year.



The Rt Hon Caroline Nokes MP

Member of Parliament for Romsey and Southampton North
Chair of the Women and Equalities Committee

I am delighted the British Kebab Awards are going ahead this year, giving restaurants, take aways and chefs the chance to showcase their talents. Every year I am impressed with the standard, the great culinary skills and the commitment to customer service and the communities they support. I know the kebab restaurants in Romsey and Southampton North are cherished by their customers and contribute not just to the economy and employment, but also to our culture and social life.



Sarah Champion MP

Member of Parliament for Rotherham
Chair of the International Development Select Committee

Congratulations to all the nominees in the 9th British Kebab Awards. Our kebab industry is diverse and thriving. From fine dining restaurants to takeaways and food vans they contribute to the rich heritage of food offerings that we have in Britain and which make us a truly international centre for food. Good luck and best wishes to all nominees and winners.



Kate Hollern MP

Member of Parliament for Blackburn

The British Kebab Awards is one of the biggest events in the political calendar – and a welcome antidote to all the time we've spent in lockdown. Though Blackburn has some of the finest Kebab shops in the country, since there are no semi-finalists in my constituency Medusa in Lancaster is flying the flag for Lancashire this year – so I'm throwing my support behind them. I wish all the semi-finalists the best of luck and I look forward to the occasion.



Emma Lewell-Buck MP

Member of Parliament for South Shields

I am delighted to support the 10th British Kebab Awards. Throughout the pandemic our kebab shops have remained open, providing jobs, some much needed enjoyment and a bit of normality during tough times. Good luck to everyone at the awards and thank you for your contribution to our economy and society.



Virendra Sharma MP

Member of Parliament for Ealing Southall

The Kebab Awards are a modern British Institution, a highlight of the political year where a light-hearted event pays compliment to an important and often overlooked sector. Ibrahim and the team at the Kebab Awards have done more to bring the contribution of kebab shops and the whole industry to the fore than anyone else. I look forward to joining them this year at an always enjoyable event.



Lucy Powell MP

Member of Parliament for Manchester Central
Shadow Secretary of State for Housing

For many years the British Kebab awards, have been the talk of town, celebrating one of Britain's best-loved dishes. The last year has been tough for many small businesses, including kebab businesses, and Labour has consistently called for measures to keep businesses afloat. With the economy reopening, and restrictions being lifted in line with public health guidance, I hope many businesses can bounce back. We'll continue to champion small businesses, and a prosperous, dynamic, economy where growth is shared across the country. The 10th British Kebab Awards is an opportunity to celebrate the resilience of the sector, and champion its future.



Douglas Chapman MP

Member of Parliament for Dunfermline and West Fife
SNP's Small Business, Enterprise and Innovation spokesperson

Few events inspire as much excitement amongst MPs as the British Kebab Awards – and for good reason. The awards offer an opportunity to celebrate one of the few things that unites us: a love of this iconic dish. And just as MPs love to take part, so do restaurants across the country. Given so many eateries have stepped up to help their communities during the pandemic, this year's awards in particular will be a great opportunity to give some of them the recognition they deserve.



Rosie Cooper MP

Member of Parliament for West Lancashire

Congratulations to the winners of the 10th British Kebab Awards, and to all those who were nominated - it is a real commendation of your skills and of your contribution to local economies and communities. This ceremony is an incredibly valuable boost to your sector and I am delighted to support the contributions of those in the kebab industry both to my own constituency of West Lancashire and beyond. It has been a challenging year for us all and your industry will be no exception. I hope the year ahead will reward your hard work and resilience.



Chris Matheson MP

Member of Parliament for City of Chester
Shadow Minister of State for Media

I am happy to support the British Kebab Awards again this year. The Kebab Awards are now important fixture in the calendar for Parliamentarians and everyone in the industry. It's a great night to celebrate with friends the successes of this industry and also to recognise the increasing quality and diversity of dishes served by kebab shops across the nation. Many thanks once again to Ibrahim and the team, and thank you too to all the sponsors for making this such a great event.



Jonathan Lord MP

Member of Parliament for Woking

The British Kebab Awards are a great way to celebrate the contribution of local kebab businesses to our local economies and the British economy as a whole. May the best kebab businesses win!



The Rt Hon John McDonnell MP

Member of Parliament for Hayes

The kebab has become an essential ingredient in the British diet enjoyed immensely by so many of us.



Ellie Reeves MP

Member of Parliament for Lewisham West & Penge
Shadow Solicitor General for England and Wales

The team behind the British Kebab Awards do absolutely brilliant work to champion this industry which contributes significantly to our food culture and economy. I am proud to support them in their work to help recognise and celebrate the efforts of takeaways and restaurants across the UK.



Jeff Smith MP

Member of Parliament for Manchester Withington
Shadow Minister for Local Government

I am happy to support the British Kebab Awards again this year. After such a difficult year for us all, it is great to see businesses open again and life back in our high streets and city centres. It is wonderful to recognise the hard work and dedication that makes many of our kebab takeaways and restaurants so popular, and such an important part of our local communities. I send my best wishes to all the businesses who are shortlisted for the final.



Chi Onwurah MP

Member of Parliament for Newcastle upon Tyne Central
Shadow Minister for Science, Research & Digital

I am looking forward to this year's British Kebab Awards and am proud to celebrate all that is best in kebab restaurants and takeaways. The kebab shop is a staple of every town and city centre across the UK and the sector plays such a vital role economically and culturally. Newcastle, in particular, is home to many great kebab shops and our 2019 Christmas lunch was in one of them. Good luck to everyone taking part and congratulations to the winners and nominees.



Bob Seely MP

Member of Parliament for the Isle of Wight

I am delighted to support the British Kebab Awards. This annual event celebrates the wide range and diversity of the British Food and Drink Industry. This Industry plays a vital role in creating employment as well as promoting entrepreneurialism in the UK, and these Awards provide an excellent platform for showcasing the achievements of our small businesses across the country. I would like to pay tribute to all those who have worked tirelessly to keep their businesses running during the Covid pandemic, and give special thanks to those who supported our keyworkers during a very difficult year. This sector of the Food and Drinks Industry makes important contributions not only in terms of the UK economy, from suppliers to Restaurants and Take-away outlets, but plays a vital role in our everyday interactions within our communities. I would like to extend my congratulations to all of the nominees and look forward to hearing of their continuing success in the future.



Maria Caulfield MP

Member of Parliament for Lewes. Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Prevention, Public Health and Primary Care

I am a keen supporter of the British Kebab Awards, which is an excellent award celebrating the contribution of the industry in the UK over the past 60 years. It is excellent to see the recognition for some of the top chefs, takeaways, and restaurants around the country, who work incredibly hard to showcase their products. As an industry contributing more than £2 billion each year to the UK economy, and with the public perception of kebabs having changed, there is an awful lot of competition for the various categories, which I believe shows just how much culinary talent there is. I thoroughly look forward to being involved with the 10th British Kebab Awards this October and experiencing all of the different food that will be available to sample.



Nusrat Ghani MP

Member of Parliament for Wealden

Making it to the Final of the British Kebab awards is a fantastic achievement and I want to start by congratulating all successful nominees. The British Kebab Industry is not only growing and evolving rapidly but is a big contributor to our local communities and highstreets. This year has highlighted the importance of those businesses and companies that operate with the aim of serving the local community whether that be through employment, the local economy or promoting a healthy and thriving Highstreet. Therefore, it is only right that recognition is given for the diverse range of culinary dishes across the nominees. I also want to congratulate all contenders for their entrepreneurial spirit and toughness that has helped them get through this last year. Finally, I want to send my very best wishes to all those at and involved in the 2022 British Kebab Awards Ceremony, with a special congratulations to this year's winners. I wish you all a fantastic evening and a successful and prosperous year to come.



Royston Smith MP

Member of Parliament for Southampton Itchen

I am delighted to lend my support to the 10th British Kebab Awards. The British kebab industry is a significant contributor to the economy, both locally and nationally, and is the cornerstone of the diverse and unique culinary experience that we enjoy across the UK. This awards ceremony is a fantastic way to showcase and celebrate some of Britain's most talented chefs and restaurateurs all of whom contribute enormously to our communities and the wider hospitality sector. Congratulations to all those who have been nominated.



Ian Lavery MP

Member of Parliament for Wansbeck
Former Chair of the Labour Party

I am delighted to support the British Kebab awards this year. Kebab's have become a staple of the British food industry and now make an important contribution to our culture and economy. From a takeaway on the way home from the pub to fine dining, kebab's are testament to Britain's diverse and delicious food industry. Congratulations and good luck to all the nominees at this years' Kebab Awards.



John Howell OBE FSA FRGS MP

Member of Parliament for the Henley

I fully support the British Kebab Awards. This is an industry which has transformed itself since I first became an MP and plays an important role in feeding us all. If you want proof of that just visit Thame when Atalay Kebab van is in operation and see the long queues of people waiting to buy from this outstanding supplier. Increasing the standards of the industry is key to its success.



Maria Eagle MP

Member of Parliament for Garston and Halewood

Kebab shops and restaurants are more than just a staple of our night-time culture, they are a valuable network of small businesses worth over £2 billion annually to the economy that provide employment in local communities like my own. Alongside their suppliers they make an important contribution to our food and drink industry. The British Kebab Awards are a great way of championing these local businesses, especially as our high streets begin to recover financially from the Covid-19 pandemic. I congratulate all the nominees and their hard-working staff on being recognised at this year's awards.



Emma Hardy MP

Member of Parliament for Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle
Shadow Minister for Further Education and Universities

It's my great pleasure to support the British Kebab Awards. No list of the nation's favourite takeaway restaurants would be complete without the Kebab shop. The enjoyment and sharing of food brings us closer together and the kebab is a big part of a uniquely British fusion of cuisines from around the world. The British Kebab Awards are a chance to recognise the very best in the business both locally and nationally. Good luck to all the entrants!



Andrew Gwynne MP

Member of Parliament for Denton and Reddish

I'm proud to be supporting the 10th Annual British Kebab Awards. After the year we've had, it's so important that we support our local restaurants and takeaways, as well as recognise the diverse communities that help make Britain's kebab industry so special. Good luck to this year's contenders!



Caroline Dinenage MP

Member of Parliament for Gosport

I am delighted to be supporting the British Kebab Awards on behalf of the fantastic kebab joints in my Gosport Constituency. This is such an important industry that is constantly growing and nationally our kebab industry contributes more than £2.8 billion to Britain's economy every year. Best of luck to all those nominated!



Chris Heaton-Harris MP

Member of Parliament for Daventry

Minister of State for Transport

I am delighted to support this years Kebab Awards and celebrate the culinary talent amongst all of the nominees and winners! Following an incredibly tough year for the hospitality sector, there is no better time to recognise the kebab industry's contribution to UK culture and economy, and begin what I hope to be a triumphant year for the industry. I am lucky enough to host some delicious kebab restaurants in my constituency, including a previous winner, and I look forward to seeing many more success stories!



Mark Pawsey MP

Member of Parliament for Rugby

It's great to see the British Kebab Awards continue to go from strength to strength and to return for its tenth year. These awards celebrate not only the food that has become an adopted staple of British cuisine, but also the business owners and entrepreneurs who are a key part of our hospitality industry. As someone who once ran my own small business providing food service packaging to the catering trade, I know just how hard people in hospitality work, and these awards provide us with an opportunity to rightly recognise and acknowledge them. I'd like to congratulate all the nominees and wish them the very best of luck on the night.



Bob Blackman MP

Member of Parliament for Harrow East

Executive Secretary of the 1922 Committee

I am honoured to support this years Kebab Awards. This annual event is the perfect opportunity to celebrate immense culinary talent. As the hospitality industry begins to move on from a year like no other, there is no better way to honour the industry by celebrating the kebab industry's contribution and impact on the UK culture and economy.



Catherine West MP

MP for Hornsey and Wood Green
Shadow Minister for Europe and Americas

I'm delighted to support the 10th British Kebab Awards. The British Kebab Awards are unique. They are the only awards focused on celebrating the vitally important contribution of the UK's kebab businesses to the British economy – and to British society – as well as the hard-working and inspirational people at the heart of the industry. In the 60 years of the industry there will have been few challenges as stark as the Covid-19 pandemic, and I know it has been an incredibly difficult time for many in the industry. This year's awards are a chance for the industry to celebrate its successes, as well as looking forward to a bright future. My very best wishes to all those involved.



Gareth Davies MP

Member of Parliament for Grantham & Stamford

The British Kebab Awards is a fantastic opportunity to highlight the value of this important industry to our national economy. Over 1.3 million kebabs are sold every year, contributing £2.8 billion to our economy. It is absolutely right that we come together to champion the future of this industry as the lifeblood of highstreets up and down the country. I wish all shortlisted kebab shops the best of luck and very much look forward to celebrating the occasion.



Carolyn Harris MP

Member of Parliament for Swansea East
Deputy Leader of Welsh Labour

Congratulations to all the British Kebab Award nominees 2022. These fabulous awards are a perfect tribute to our beloved kebab shops all over the country and a celebration of the chefs in this industry who have worked hard to reach the top of their game in taste and presentation. I urge everyone to treat themselves to a kebab and in doing so, offer their support to local food and hospitality businesses who have faced such adversity in recent times.



Stephen Timms MP

Member of Parliament for East Ham
Chair of the Work and Pensions Select Committee

Congratulations to all those nominated to be honoured in this year's 10th British Kebab Awards. Running a really good kebab restaurant is a tough job. But it makes a great contribution to the community. That is true in the community I represent, and in communities all over the country. Thanks to the organisers for giving us this opportunity to celebrate the work of this fast growing industry, now worth almost £3 billion per year, and the achievements of so many who work in it.



Stephen Kinnock MP

Member of Parliament for Aberavon
Shadow Minister for Asia and the Pacific

The British Kebab Awards is a fantastic event which celebrates the huge contribution that kebab restaurants make to our economy. It also gives us an opportunity to thank all those who are employed in the industry for their hard work, and for the delicious dishes that they prepare and serve, day-in and day-out!



Tonia Antoniazzi MP

Member of Parliament for Gower

The hospitality industry has faced a difficult period throughout the pandemic, but as we've all craved normality Kebab shops up and down high streets across the country have provided us with a slice of comfort on a night in. I am delighted to support the British Kebab awards and I would like to wish good luck to all this year's entrants and nominees.



Conor McGinn MP

Member of Parliament for St Helens North
Shadow Minister for Security

I'm pleased to support the British Kebab Awards, which celebrates one of this country's best-loved cuisines and the exemplary chefs, restaurants and businesses in my St Helens North constituency and nationwide who make it so. Our diverse kebab businesses contribute a great deal to our economy, culture and society, and so it's fantastic to see a spotlight shine on their successes after such a tough time. I want to send my best wishes to the organisers and all nominees for a wonderful evening.



Chris Elmore MP

Member of Parliament for Ogmore
Shadow Minister for Scotland

The British Kebab Awards are a fantastic way to promote and champions Kebab takeaways and restaurants. It is a great way to show small businesses support. The kebab has become a part of everyday cuisine in the UK and it is a pleasure to support the awards that celebrates this.



Wayne David MP

Member of Parliament for Caerphilly
Shadow Minister of State for the Middle East and North Africa

After the difficult time we have all been through, I am delighted to see that the British Kebab Awards are back in a big way. The Awards have an important place in the culinary business calendar of so many people, and long may this continue to be the case. The Awards are an important celebration of UK kebab businesses and the huge contribution they make to our country.



Abena Oppong-Asare MP

Member of Parliament for Erith and Thamesmead
Shadow Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury

I am very pleased to support this year's Kebab Awards. Kebab restaurants make a huge contribution to our local communities. I know they, along with the rest of the hospitality industry, have had a very difficult year and a half, but I look forward to celebrating and championing this industry at the award ceremony.



Leslie Griffiths

Lord Griffiths of Burry Port

The presence of Kebab shops on our high street has been well-established for some time. The pandemic has opened our eyes to the essential role they play in the health of our communities as well as satisfying our need for a tasty meal!



The Rt Hon Angela Harris

Rt Hon Baroness Harris of Richmond

After such a difficult 18 months, it is excellent that the Kebab Awards are going ahead, celebrating the resilience and good business sense of the community of small businesses. I congratulate everyone involved and wish you a very happy evening.



Gagan Mohindra MP

Member of Parliament for South West Hertfordshire

It is great to be attending the 10th British Kebab Awards Ceremony face-to-face after the pandemic. Our local kebab restaurants have gone above and beyond to keep feeding our communities whilst Covid restrictions have been in place. I am looking forward to celebrating the success of the British kebab industry, particularly after such a difficult year for the restaurant sector.



Alex Davies-Jones MP

Member of Parliament for Pontypridd
Shadow Minister for Northern Ireland

The British Kebab Awards are a fantastic opportunity to celebrate a cuisine that is a firm favourite across the UK. Our kebab shops are often at the very heart of our high streets, and while coronavirus has had a major impact on our food and beverage industry, I'm delighted to see a whole evening dedicated to our much loved kebab shops. I am absolutely thrilled to support the British Kebab Awards, and will be crossing my fingers for all of the shops nominated for an award!



Dawn Butler MP

Member of Parliament for Brent Central

The kebab industry has long been established as one of Britain's most loved culinary establishments and it is a testament to the very best of Britain's beautiful and diverse culture. The hard work, contribution and service that small and medium enterprises and their employees, in restaurants up and down the country, consistently deliver to the general public is unparalleled. Providing over 200,000 jobs and contributing over £2.8 billion to the UK economy, it is fair to say the kebab industry is one of if not the nation's favourite food institutions.



Stephen Flynn MP

Member of Parliament for Aberdeen South

SNP Spokesperson for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

I am delighted to support the British Kebab Awards this year, which gives us the opportunity to recognise individuals and businesses who are so important to high streets up and down the country. These local shops play a vital role in our local communities and I'll certainly be taking note of the best Scotland has to offer!



The Rt John Taylor

Rt Hon Lord Taylor of Warwick

The British Kebab Awards honour and celebrate the tremendous value of the Kebab industry to our economy. I am delighted to support it.



The Rt Hon Tom McNally

Rt Hon Lord McNally

I am sorry not to be with you tonight. The kebab has been part of my life from my student days in Bloomsbury in the 1960s to the present day. The small businesses represented at tonight's awards have come through some very difficult times. I pay tribute to their resilience and wish everyone a memorable evening.



Julie Marson MP

Member of Parliament for Hertford and Stortford

The British Kebab Awards is a great celebration of food and culture. I am very pleased to support the team and wish everyone involved the best of luck. I am very pleased to support the team and wish everyone involved the best of luck.



The Rt Hon Nigel Evans MP

Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons

Kebabs have become a much-loved cuisine in Britain. Enjoyed in all settings, from high-end restaurants to late night takeaways. The British Kebab Awards are a fantastic way to honour those delivering exceptional kebabs in a very competitive market.



The Rt Hon Diane Abbott MP

Member of Parliament for Hackney North and Stoke Newington

Congratulations to the nominees and winners of the 10th British Kebab Awards. As Shadow Home Secretary and MP for Hackney North and Stoke Newington, I am delighted to lend my support to hardworking people of the kebab industry across the country and in my constituency. I commend the work of the British Kebab Awards which have grown remarkably since its inauguration in 2013. The awards highlight the best in the kebab industry which contributes 2.8 billion to the UK economy and celebrate the diversity of our country.



The Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP

Member of Parliament for Epsom and Ewell

Kebab restaurants are a regular fixture of our high streets and a must visit for thousands of people every day. Whether you're a Doner person or a Shish person, or enjoy one of the other varied kebab dishes that they serve up, a kebab is a great way of sharing a meal with friends. These awards are a real feature of the annual calendar and a really good way to celebrate the best catering in the kebab industry. I congratulate all the winners and wish everyone a great evening.



Sarah Owen MP

Member of Parliament for Luton North
Opposition Whip

The British Kebab Awards is one of the staples of the culinary calendar, celebrating brilliant food and the fantastic people who cook it for us. Especially after such a tough time for the food and drinks industry, I'm so glad that kebab lovers get to come together to celebrate all these restaurants, along with good food and good company. I'm so pleased to support the British Kebab Awards, and good luck to all those nominated!



Shaun Bailey MP

Member of Parliament for West Bromwich West

I am thrilled to be attending the 10th British Kebab Award ceremony later this year. The awards highlight an amazing array of talent within the UK, including in the Black Country, with Wednesbury based supplier, UK Kebabs, previously being shortlisted as a semi-finalist in the 'Supplier of the Year' category. After the past 18 months, it will be great to meet face to face again and I encourage everyone to get their tickets as soon as possible!



Kim Leadbeater MP

Member of Parliament for Batley and Spen

I'm pleased to be attending my first British Kebab Awards this year as the new MP for Batley and Spen. I've heard how legendary the annual Kebab awards are in Westminster and how much support it provides for the British Kebab & takeaway industry across the country. It's therefore an honour to attend this year and offer my support to the British Kebab Awards for another fantastic year ahead.



The Rt Hon Mary Goudie

Rt Hon Baroness Mary Goudie

It is with great pleasure, that I give support to the 10th British Kebab Awards - so important this year.

SME and all of their work, is the backbone of employment in so many cities in the UK. All my best wishes to you all and to Ibrahim.



Marsha de Cordova MP

Member of Parliament for Battersea

Shadow Secretary of State for Women and Equalities

I would like to extend my congratulations to all nominees and winners at the British Kebab Awards. I know what a valuable contribution the kebab industry makes to our economic, cultural, and social life. I hope the Awards this year are successful yet again.



Afzal Khan MP

Member of Parliament for Manchester Gorton

Shadow Deputy Leader of the House of Commons

I am delighted to be attending this year's Kebab Awards. After a challenging year I am looking forward to celebrating the food industry, which has shown immense resilience throughout this pandemic. As the MP for Manchester Gorton, I have the pleasure of having the "Curry Mile" in my constituency which boasts some of the best kebabs in the UK! I want to congratulate all the finalists and the organisers for putting together a brilliant event.



The Rt Hon William Wallace

Rt Hon Lord Wallace of Saltaire

We all value the diverse communities that make up London, and the diverse foods and restaurants that serve us all. The British Kebab Awards celebrate an important part of this diversity, and the contribution that London's Kurdish, Turkish and Arabic communities make to our shared life. At a time when conflict still divides communities in parts of the Middle East, and when Londoners are uniting to help newcomers escaping from Syria and Afghanistan, I welcome the contribution that this event makes to bringing us together and reminding us of how much we all share.



The Rt Hon Theresa May MP

Member of Parliament for Maidenhead
Former Prime Minister

I am pleased to provide a message for this year's British Kebab Awards. We believe in the UK food and drink sector, and think that it makes an important contribution to growth in the UK economy. This includes the restaurants, takeaway food outlets and the suppliers that provide their ingredients. The kebab industry is thriving, and its popularity is owed in no small part to the talented restaurateurs and chefs who are being nominated for and receiving awards this year. I would like to congratulate all the winners and nominees and wish you all the best for another year of success.



The Rt Hon Jeremy Corbyn MP

Member of Parliament for Islington North

I am delighted to support this year's British Kebab Awards, now an established annual event. The British Kebab industry is continuing to grow each year and contributes well over £2.8 billion annually to the British economy, creating jobs and playing a vital role in our communities in every corner of the country. From takeaway to fine dining, Kebabs are a firm favourite and an established part of our national cuisine. The British Kebab Industry has been built up by the tremendous efforts of SMEs and their teams who have worked incredibly hard to get where they are today. The British Kebab Awards have become an important part of our food awards in Britain, recognising the hard work of our restaurateurs and chefs. I send my very best wishes for this year's award ceremony - my particular congratulations to all the award winners. And I wish you all another superb year ahead.



The Rt Hon Pete Wishart MP

Member of Parliament for Perth and North Perthshire
SNP Shadow Leader of the House of Commons

It is my great pleasure to congratulate all those nominated for the British Kebab Awards. The kebab industry plays a vital role in our night time economy and I am pleased to see those outstanding outlets celebrated in this way. I look forward to seeing the British Kebab Awards go from strength to strength.



The Rt Hon Karen Bradley MP

Member of Parliament for Staffordshire Moorlands
Chair of the House of Commons Procedure Committee

Kebabs are a great example of our cultural and culinary diversity in Britain with more than 20,000 shops dotted around the country, employing around thousands of people. Kebabs are a great example of our cultural and culinary diversity in Britain with more than 20,000 shops dotted around the country, employing around thousands of people. The British Kebab Awards highlight the very best in the industry and everyone nominated should be proud of their achievements and contribution to communities across the country.

CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN PROVIDES MEALS FOR HOMELESS IN LONDON



During the run-up to Christmas 2021, the 'Helping Hands' campaign cooked and distributed over 2,700 hot meals to elderly, lonely, and homeless people across Lambeth and other parts of London. Following the lockdown closure of community café 'With Love', which had been distributing food to those in need in Waterloo, organizers sought to continue the essential work of helping get hot meals to those in need in the capital. Last winter, many people across the country continued to experience difficulties amid the ongoing impacts of Covid-19. In light of these challenges the 'Helping Hands' campaign sought to do something practical and immediate to help the most vulnerable in our community at a time when many struggle to put food on the table. Meals were prepared by chefs at Park Plaza Hotel Waterloo on December 17th, with the team of volunteers joined by MP for Bury South Christian Wakeford, Kate Osbourne MP for

Jarrow, and local MP for Vauxhall Florence Eshalomi, who helped box up traditional Christmas fare of roast chicken, potatoes, parsnips, carrots, sprouts and gravy. Speaking to the Big Issue Florence Eshalomi said of the campaign, *"This just demonstrates that community spirit is alive and well, and when the time comes, the community will respond."* The packaged meals were distributed to foodbanks across the capital thanks to the help of Sherbet Electric Taxis and Enterprise cars. They were also served at social events including the popular Christmas party held at St Mattias Church, where Mayor of Tower Hamlets John Biggs served pensioners meals with the help of local councilors and volunteers. The 'Helping Hands' campaign was made possible thanks to the generous support of HB Reavis UK, Galliard Homes, Leos UK, Munir Samji, Suleman Raza, Gurpreet Sandhu, Edwin Shuker, Park Plaza Hotels, and Enterprise Holding.





TIMELINE OF THE KEBAB

The kebab has a long and storied history in many different regions of the world. Here are some of the key dates in its history every aficionado should know.

1180 BC - THE KEBAB IS DESCRIBED IN HOMER'S ILIAD

'He put down a great meat-block in the light of the fire...placed on it the meat of a sheep and a fat goat...cut into joints...then chopped it fine and threaded the pieces on spits. When the fire had died down, he spread the spits above the fire, and when it was roasted, they took bread and served the meat'.

1377 - THE OLDEST KNOWN SOURCE USES THE TERM 'KEBAB' TO REFER TO THE FOOD

The oldest known source to use the word 'kebab' in reference to an item of food is the 1377 Turkish text *Kyssa-I Yusuf*.

14TH CENTURY - FAMED MOROCCAN TRAVELER IBN BATTUTA MENTIONS KEBABS IN HIS TRAVELOGUES

According to Ibn Battuta's writings from his extensive travels, kebabs were served in the royal houses of the Delhi Sultanate (1206-1526 CE), enjoyed with naan for breakfast.

1830 - HAMDI USTA IS CREDITED WITH CREATING THE DONER KEBAB

One of the most iconic of the many types of kebabs, the doner, typically cooked on a vertical rotisserie, can be traced back to Kastamonu in Northern Turkey.

1966 - CETIN BUKEY AND KOJAY HUSEYIN OPEN ONE OF THE UK'S FIRST KEBAB SHOPS IN STOKE NEWINGTON

Beginning the transformation of the quiet suburb into a vibrant and multicultural area. The following generations built the mainstream popularity of the kebab shop, now considered a national institution.

2013 - THE BRITISH KEBAB AWARDS ARE FOUNDED

Recognizing and celebrating the immense contribution of the Kebab scene, and the communities that pioneered it, to British life.



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9TH BRITISH KEBAB AWARD WINNERS 2021



Best Kebab House in Northern Ireland

WINNER: Grab a Kebab



Best Kebab House in Scotland

WINNER: Dante's Fish Chips & Kebab



Best Kebab House in Wales

WINNER: Wales Kebab



Best Kebab Restaurant in North and West London

WINNER: Antalya Restaurant



Best Kebab Restaurant in South and East London

WINNER: The Ottoman Doner - Whitechapel



Best Kebab Restaurant in South and East London

WINNER: Duman Doner



Best Kebab Restaurant Regional

WINNER: Zeytin



Best Kebab Restaurant Regional

WINNER: Pasha Turkish Grill Restaurant (Milton Keynes)

9TH BRITISH KEBAB AWARD WINNERS 2021



Best Kebab Restaurant Regional

WINNER: Batman Grill



Best Newcomer Restaurant in London/ Outside London

WINNER: Etcí Kitchen Brighton



Best Newcomer Restaurant in London/ Outside London

WINNER: Mehmet Kitchen



Best Newcomer Restaurant in London/ Outside London

WINNER: La'De Kitchen Muswell Hill



Best Takeaway in London

WINNER: Pizza King Kebab House



Best Takeaway in London

WINNER: Kervan Saray



Best Takeaway Regional

WINNER: Botan Kebab House



Best Takeaway Regional

WINNER: Master Kebabs

9TH BRITISH KEBAB AWARD WINNERS 2021



Best Value Restaurant

WINNER: Ev Restaurant



Customer Satisfaction

WINNER: Bursa Kebab



Customer Satisfaction

WINNER: Alaturka Doner



Customer Satisfaction

WINNER: Mount Nemrut Turkish Restaurant



Fine Dining Restaurant

WINNER: Roza



Fine Dining Restaurant

WINNER: The Mantl



Just Eat Best Delivery

WINNER: BBQ Grill Chatham



Just Eat Best Delivery

WINNER: Dilan Kebab

9TH BRITISH KEBAB AWARD WINNERS 2021



Kebab Van of the Year

WINNER: Diamond Kebab



Greek Restaurant

WINNER: Tony's Pita



Greek Restaurant

WINNER: Meze Greek Restaurant



Lebanese Restaurant

WINNER: Cedrus - Lebanese Cuisine



Supplier Awards

WINNER: Kismet Kebabs



Chef of the Year

WINNER: Ali Akis/Yaz Restaurant



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MEMBERS OF THE 10TH BRITISH KEBAB AWARDS JUDGING PANEL



James O'Brien

James O'Brien is an award-winning writer and broadcaster whose journalism has appeared everywhere from the TLS to the Daily Mirror. Best known for his daily current affairs programme on the radio station LBC, with over 1.3 million weekly listeners, he has also presented and appeared on a variety of TV shows including 'Newsnight' and 'Have I Got News For You?'. His first book, 'How To Be Right', was a Sunday Times bestseller and won the Parliamentary Book Award for Best Political Book by a non-politician after selling over 200,000 copies across all formats. He is often found on Twitter where he has over 780,000 followers.



Steve Turner

Steve Turner is Assistant General Secretary at Unite the Union where he has responsibility for 400,000 members in manufacturing industries alongside the unions community and retired members strategies.



David Galman

David Galman is the Sales Director at Galliard Homes the largest privately owned residential property developer in London. David joined Galliard at its start in 1992 and has been selling real estate for over 35 years with an impressive portfolio of repeat buyers.



Abena Oppong-Asare MP

Abena Oppong-Asare is the MP for Erith and Thamesmead, Shadow Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury and Chair of the Labour Women's Network. Previously, she served as Opposition Deputy Leader and Education Spokesperson on Bexley Council and worked for the Greater London Assembly.



Shany Gupta

Shany Gupta is founding director and C.E.O of Duncan Lewis Solicitors, whose ethos of "giving people a voice" has seen it grow from one office in Hackney to a nation-wide operation.



Greg Jackson

Greg is the founder and CEO of Octopus Energy Group, the green energy tech pioneer based in the UK with over 3.1 million customers, further operations in 12 countries and over 20 million accounts licensed worldwide to its green technology platform, Kraken.



Samson Sohail

Samson Sohail has been working with Cobra Beer for the last 25 years. He has been instrumental in the success of Cobra's reputation as the best beer to complement food and as one of the most loved beer brands in the country.



Adil Ray OBE

Today, Adil Ray OBE is best known as the star and creator of the hit BBC1 sitcom 'Citizen Khan'. After five series, the show has become one of Britain's much-loved sitcoms and is now broadcast worldwide.



Sophia Idjer

Working in the tech sector for restaurants and takeaways and hospitality for over 12 years means that our judge Sophia is exposed to the many different types of Kebab establishments in the UK and some locations in Europe, in her role at Kbox Global who are pioneers in their space she focuses on quality and innovation in not only the brands and dishes but also operational excellence through their tech stack for host kitchens, which results in high incremental revenue for their host kitchen partners, and is very passionate about our sector. As such Sophia is delighted to join our judging panel this year and has publicly voiced this is her favourite award ceremony!



Carolyn Harris MP

Carolyn Harris is the Labour Party Member of Parliament for Swansea East, first elected in May 2015. She is also the Deputy Leader of Welsh Labour.



Alison Thewliss MP

Alison Thewliss has been the SNP Member of Parliament for Glasgow Central since the May 2015 general election. Before being elected to Westminster, Thewliss was a Glasgow City Councillor for the Calton ward, first elected in 2007.



Nadhim Zahawi MP

Nadhim Zahawi is a Conservative Party politician who has been the Member of Parliament for Stratford-on-Avon since 2010; he has served as Secretary of State for Education since September 2021.



Angus MacNeil MP

Angus MacNeil is the Scottish National Party Member of Parliament for Na h-Eileanan Siar and has held the position since 2005. He is also the current chair of the International Trade Select Committee.



Mustafa Topkaya

Mustafa Topkaya has more than 40 years experience in the hospitality and catering sector, and is a pioneer of the kebab restaurant business having opened his first shop in 1984. He now runs several successful restaurants and has continued to lead the industry through the introduction of several modern innovations.



Altan Kemal

Altan Kemal is a Chartered Accountant. He came to the UK in 1973, graduating in Business Management before qualifying and working in accountancy. He subsequently founded his own firm of accountants in 1983, namely Altan & Co.



Lucy Horobin

Lucy Horobin is host of the Heart Dance drive time show and former presenter of the British Kebab Awards.



Mike Theodorou

Mike Theodorou is one of the directors of Big K Charcoal Ltd. He has over 23 years experience supplying quality restaurant grade charcoal to the kebab industry nationwide. Big K Products is a family run business first started by Mike's grandfather Theodoros Kleanthous in 1964, so Big K know a good kebab when they see one!



David Warburton MP

David Warburton is the Conservative Party Member of Parliament for Somerton and Frome and has held this position since the 2015 General Election. Prior to entering politics, he was keen businessman notably, the founder, chief executive and chairman of Pitch Entertainment Group and taught and composed music.



Dr Rosena Allin-Khan MP

Dr Rosena Allin-Khan MP is the Labour MP for Tooting and is the Shadow Minister for Mental Health.



Llyod Russell-Moyle MP

Llyod Russell-Moyle is the Labour Party Member for Parliament for Brighton Kemptown.



Darren Bown

Darren Bown is sales Director for Makro/Booker and a former judge of British Takeaway Awards. Darren has been in food wholesale for 30 years in a variety of roles and enjoys spending time with customers understanding their business.



Nigel Streeter

Nigel Streeter is Managing Director of Ace4Kebabs, leaders in the kebab industry, with a real passion for meat. Ace4Kebabs has been manufacturing doner kebabs for the past 25 years, and both import and export all lamb products.



Matt Browne

Matt Browne is a senior fellow at the Center for American Progress in Washington DC, where he leads the organisation's work on populism, the transformation of progressive politics and the renewal of democracy. Matt is the founder of Global Progress, an international network of progressive leaders, policy analysts, strategists, think tanks and foundations. He continues to advise a host of progressive leaders, parties and movements around the globe.



Metin Pekin

Metin Pekin is the founding director of Paragon Quality Foods. His hard work and passion for producing the highest-quality products have led Paragon to become the leading burger and kebab manufacturer, supplying Cash & Carries, Foodservice Wholesalers and Pub Groups across the UK and Europe.



Nick Falla

Country Manager Quandoo UK. Nick began his career managing pubs and restaurants before taking a side step into hospitality technology. He now heads up Quandoo for Restaurants in the UK, a restaurant booking software provider and marketplace designed to match diners with restaurants.



Sharon Hodgson MP

Sharon Hodgson, MP for Washington and Sunderland West, has been an MP since 2005 and is the Parliamentary Private Secretary to Keir Starmer MP. Previously, Sharon has served as Shadow Children's Minister, Shadow Public Health Minister, Shadow Veterans' Minister and was a Government Whip under Gordon Brown. Prior to becoming an MP, Sharon worked as a book-keeper, a Labour Party organiser and a Political Officer for UNISON.



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97 English St Dumfries DG1 2DA

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7 Hume St Montrose DD10 8JD

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614 Dalmarnock Rd Glasgow G40 4NN

Istanbul Turkish Kebab House

7 Paisley Rd W Glasgow G51 1LF

Javit's Gilmerton

39 Drum St Edinburgh EH17 8RQ

Pera Turkish Restaurant Edinburgh

7 Elm Row Edinburgh EH7 4AQ

Shawarma King

113 King St Glasgow G1 5RB

Verdo

21 Newington Rd Edinburgh EH9 1QS

Best Kebab House in Wales

Flame Grill House

179 Clare Rd Cardiff CF11 6QS

Golden BBQ

112 Caerphilly Rd, Birchgrove
Cardiff CF14 4QG

Jackie's Kebab House

349 Abergele Rd Colwyn Bay LL29 9PG

Lezzet Cardiff

106 St. Mary Street Cardiff CF10 1DX

Pizza Choice

22 Countisbury Avenue Cardiff CF3 5SJ

Pizza Time Pembroke Dock

31B, Meyrick St
Pembroke Dock SA72 6AL

Sam's Grill House

1-3 Thomas St,
Abertridwr Caerphilly CF83 4AU

Star Kebab House

57 High St Bala LL23 7AF

Wales Kebab

17 Thomas St,
Abertridwr Caerphilly CF83 4AU

Yiannos Fish Bar Mynydd Isa

The Square Mold CH7 6UY

Best Kebab Restaurant in North and West London

Antalya Restaurant

103-105 Southampton Row, Holborn
London WC1B 4HH

Best Mangal 1996

66 North End Rd, Hammersmith
London W14 9EP

Devran Kitchen

487 Green Lanes, Harringay Ladder
London N4 1AJ

Durum Restaurant Finchley

119 Ballards Ln, Church End, London
N3 1LJ

Istanbul Restaurant

9 Stoke Newington Rd, Dalston London
N16 8BH

Izgara restaurant

165-167 Station Rd London HA8 7JU

Selale Restaurant

1-2-3, Salisbury Promenade, Green
Lanes, Harringay London N8 0RX

Umut 2000 Haringey

551 Green Lanes, Harringay Ladder
London N8 0RL

Yaprak Kitchen

141-143 Marsh Rd Pinner HA5 5PB

Yasar's Kitchen

8 Blackhorse Ln London E17 6HJ

Best Kebab Restaurant in South and East London

Ali's Kitchen

537 Rainham Rd
Dagenham RM10 7XJ

Breeze Restaurant

139 Station Rd London E4 6AG

Duman Doner

42 Newington Causeway
London SE1 6DR

Hazev Restaurant

Discovery Dock Apartments West, 2 S
Quay Square, Isle of Dogs
London E14 9RT

Kekik Kitchen

226 High St Bromley BR1 1PQ

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Kervan Saray

66 Masfield Crescent, Harold Hill
Romford RM3 7PB

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20 Whalebone Ln S
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10 Arcola St, Hackney Downs
London E8 2DJ

The Ottoman Doner – Whitechapel

163 Cannon St Rd, Whitechapel
London E1 2LX

Yaz Restaurant

7-9 Signal Walk, Highams Park
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Best Kebab Restaurant Regional

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47 Preston St Brighton BN1 2HP

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60 the Broadway
Haywards Heath RH16 3AL

La'De Kitchen Newbury

Unit G46, 74-75 Parkway Shopping
Center Newbury RG14 1AY

Mehmet Kitchen

175-177 Copnor Rd
Portsmouth PO3 5BT

Pasha Turkish Grill Restaurant (Milton Keynes)

16 Buckingham Rd, Bletchley
Milton Keynes MK3 5HL

Sark Restaurant

102 High St Maldon CM9 5ET

Sumac Grill

91 Trinity Ln Hinckley LE10 0BL

Turknaz

N Parade Whitley Bay NE26 1NX

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Unit 2-3, The Exchange Shopping
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Chelmsford CM1 1XB

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100 High Street
Lee-on-the-Solent PO13 9DA

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96-98 High St Epsom KT19 8BJ

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61-63 Crockhamwell Rd,
Woodley Reading RG5 3JP

Nivan Restaurant

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Sumac Room

Xscape Milton Keynes MK9 3XS

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Bateman St London W1D 4AG

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196 Ilford Ln Ilford IG1 2LJ

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Ali's Berlin Doner

40 The Broadway, Ealing
London W5 2NP

Archway Kebab

26 Junction Rd, Archway
London N19 5RE

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London E6 3BA

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63 The Cut London SE1 8LL

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14 Hertsmere Road, Canary Wharf
London E14 4AF

Kebab Kid

90 New Kings Rd London SW6 4LU

Kebab Ye Beckenham

292-294 High St Beckenham BR3 1DY

Pizza King Kebab House

109 Hertford Rd, Edmonton
London N9 7EE

The Best Kebab

294 Walworth Rd London SE17 2TE

What The Pitta – Shoreditch

Boxpark, Unit 52 London E1 6GY

Best Takeaway Regional

Botan Kebab House

24 Berry St Liverpool L1 4JF

Efes kebab

29 Fratton Road Portsmouth PO1 5AB

Ellesmere Port Kebab house

4 The Arcade Regent Street
Ellesmere Port CH65 8DX

I am Doner – Headingley

23 Otley Rd, Headingley
Leeds LS6 3AA

Irmak BBQ Dunstable

220 High St N Dunstable LU6 1AU

Istanbul grill

3 Gossops Parade Crawley RH11 8HH

Master Kebabs

88 Watling St Gillingham ME7 2YS

The Fish Yard

6 Snowley Parade Bishop's
Stortford CM23 5EP

The Yellow Fisherman

Tutt Hill House, Maidstone Road
Ashford TN26 1AP

Tiger Bite

76 Roundwell St
Stoke-on-Trent ST6 5AN

Tokies Ponterfract

3 Bondgate Pontefract WF8 2JP

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46 Market Square Saint Neots PE19 2AF

Efes Restaurant

278-280 Glossop Rd, Broomhall
Sheffield S10 2HS

Ella Turkish Restaurant Wigan

32 Wigan Ln Wigan WN1 1XR

Ephesus Restaurant & Cocktails Bar

57-59 High S Sevenoaks TN13 1JF

Hala Restaurant

29 Grand Parade, Harringay
London N4 1LG

Hasturk Bar Meze Grill

3 Charter Way Braintree CM77 8YH

Istanbul Restaurant Sheldon

2220 Coventry Rd, Sheldon
Birmingham B26 3JH

Istanbul Sheffield

152 - 154 West Street Sheffield S1 4ES

Uni Kebab

190 Burgess Rd Southampton SO16 3AY

Customer Satisfaction

Alaturka Doner

33 Smithford Way Coventry CV1 1FY

ALaTurka Ramsgate

110-114 Harbour Parade
Ramsgate CT11 8LP

Batman Grill

80 Locksway road Portsmouth PO4 8JP

Bursa Kebab

18 High St Newhaven BN9 9PD

Elder and Wolf

171 Whitley Rd Whitley Bay NE26 2DN

Gulen Ocakbasi

100 Bellegrove Rd Welling DA16 3QD

Happy Bellys

168 Park View Rd Welling DA16 1ST

Mangal Express Chalfont

1, Nightingales Corner, Little Chalfont
Amersham HP7 9PY

Mount Nemrut Turkish Restaurant

204 Lightwoods Rd, Bearwood
Smethwick B67 5AZ

The Shish Meze Bar - Rickmansworth

8 Moneyhill Parade
Rickmansworth WD3 7BE

Fine Dining Restaurant

DeRoka Restaurants

Unit 600a, The Hub
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28 Rochdale Rd,
Royton Oldham OL2 6QJ

Pircio

Drill Hall Bishop's Stortford CM23 3UU

Roza

240A High St Epping CM16 4AP

Sheesh Restaurant

Ye Olde Kings Head,
High Rd Chigwell IG7 6QA

Skew Restaurant Champagne & Oyster Bar

4 Adderley Rd Bishop's
Stortford CM23 3AE

Skewd Kitchen

12 Cockfosters Parade Barnet EN4 0BX

The Mantl

142 Brompton Rd, Knightsbridge
London SW3 1HY

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97 Fore Street Hertford SG14 1AS

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180 Field End Rd,
Ruislip Pinner HA5 1RF

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46 Silverweed Rd Chatham ME5 0QX

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138 High St Carshalton SM5 3AE

Efezade Mezze Grill

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Debden Loughton IG10 3ST

Firat Kebab & Fish Bar Restaurant

40 Bounds Green Rd London N11 2EU

Istanbul Mangal

9 New Rd Chippenham SN15 1HH

Kent Kebab House

1 Godinton Rd Ashford TN23 1JA

Millennium Pizza and Kebab

39-41 Midland Rd
Wellingborough NN8 1HF

Pinar II Kebab

22 Sundon Park Rd,
Sundon Park Luton LU3 3BJ

Turkish Delight

573 Barlow Moor Road, Chorlton-cum-Hardy Manchester M21 8AE

Wellingborough Kebab House

24 Sheep St Wellingborough NN8 1BS

Kebab Van of the Year

Ahmed's Bar B-Q

90 High Street Oxford OX1 4BH

Atalay's Kebab Van

Market House Thame OX9 3HH

Bourton Kebab Van

Bourton Link Cheltenham GL54 2HQ

Burwell Kebab Van

21 The Causeway, Burwell
Cambridge CB25 0DU

Charlie's Best Kebabs

Greenbridge Rugby Site
Swindon SN3 3LA

Diamond Kebab

291 Arbury Rd Cambridge CB4 2JL

Gourmet kebab

105 Cambridge Rd, Caxton, Papworth
Everard Cambridge CB23 3PD

Grove Kebab Van

Cane Ln, Grove Wantage OX12 0FL

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Tetbury Industrial Estate, Cirencester
Road Tetbury GL8 8EZ

The Boss Kebab

The Oak, Winchester road
Fareham PO17 5HE

Greek Restaurant

Greek On The Street Croydon Boxpark

Units 42 and 43, 99 George St Croydon
CR0 1LD

Greekouzina

57 Marsh lane Preston PR1 8RQ

Meze Greek Restaurant

31 Cross Street Ellesmere SY12 0AW

Mikos Gyros

441 Coldharbour Lane
London SW9 8LN

Mini Greek Meze

190 High Street Orpington BR6 0JW

Odyssey Greek Restaurant

1 Knifesmithgate Chesterfield S40 1RF

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78 Princes Avenue
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Kilburn London NW3 5EP

Vlami

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73 Myddleton Rd London N22 8LZ

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2 Beauchamp Place London SW3 1NG

Comptoir Libanais

4 Newark St Bath BA1 1AT

Cedrus

40 High St Sidcup DA14 6EH

Warda Lebanese Restaurant

22 The Bourne London N14 6PH

Tarboush

12A Market St
Loughborough LE11 3EP

Shaam Nights Restaurant

116 City Rd Cardiff CF24 3DQ

Lebanese Grill

173 New Kent Rd London SE1 4AG

Sham Grill

54 Coombe Rd
Kingston upon Thames KT2 7AF

Shawarma Hut

292b Walworth Rd London SE17 2TE

Lebanos

30C The Galleries
Washington NE38 7SA

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Way Yateley GU46 6GF

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First Ave, Drum Industrial Estate
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Maldon Rd Chelmsford CM3 6LF

Star Catering Supplies Ltd

Forest Trading Estate, 6, Priestley Way,
Walthamstow London E17 6AL

Vatan Catering Ltd

Mill Mead Rd London N17 9QU

Velis Doner Kebab Manufacturers Ltd

Anderstaff Ind Est/Hawkins
La Burton-on-Trent DE14 1QH

Village Quality Products Ltd

A3, Hickman Avenue, Highams Park
London E4 9JG

Yayla Enterprises Ltd

Banks Court
Blaydon-on-Tyne
NE21 5NH

Chef of the Year

Ahmet Kabayel / Pircio

Drill Hall Bishop's
Stortford CM23 3UU

Ali Akis/Yaz Restaurant

7-9 Signal Walk, Highams Park
London E4 9BW

Aziz Gezer/Uni Kebab

190 Burgess Rd
Southampton
SO16 3AY

Enver Taskin/Enver's Cafe & Grill

370 Handsworth Rd
Sheffield S13 9BY

Fatma Gungor/ Fatma's Kitchen

60 the Broadway
Haywards Heath RH16 3AL

Kudret Yilmaz/ Turknaz

N Parade
Whitley Bay NE26 1NX

Mazlum Demir / Skewd Kitchen

12 Cockfosters Parade Barnet EN4 0BX

Sukru Soydas / La'De Kitchen

291-293 Muswell Hill Broadway,
Muswell Hill
London N10 1BY

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Turknaz Restaurant is situated in the heart of a seaside town named 'Whitley Bay' accompanied with beautiful scenic sea views of the North East Coast of England.

Our Restaurant is a family run business with the father being Kudret Yilmaz the head chef and Anthony Yilmaz being the Owner.

As a family, we had a vision insight to bring the taste of Turkey to Whitley Bay through authentic tasty Turkish cuisine, friendly welcoming dining and 5 star a la carte service. Through hard work, passion, determination and the support of our beautiful home town community in Whitley Bay; our vision of Turknaz was turned into reality. We won best Turkish restaurant Regional 2018 and after receiving this award, we were so overwhelmed and humbled from the endeavoring support that our customers have shown towards us in the past 3 years to make this all possible.

As a family, we have a passion for Turknaz and the authentic, fresh, organic food we serve daily. We believe our passion, dedication and hard work is truly reflected in the taste and presentation of our Turkish cuisine and we will continue to do so in the healthiest and tastiest way possible... all at the hands of our head chef Kudret Yilmaz.

This year, we have been nominated for three categories being: Best Chef, Best Kebab Restaurant Regional and Best Value Restaurant.

We are so grateful to be nominated for each of these awards and we want to thank each of those that have nominated us and made this experience possible for us. We are very excited and looking forward to what the future holds at Turknaz; big plans are being made for 2019.





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