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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 twelfth 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. 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 migrant 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 20 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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Celebrating a Decade of Excellence: The 12th British Kebab Awards

Dear Kebab Enthusiasts, Industry Leaders, and Friends,

I am thrilled to extend my warmest greetings to all of you as we embark on the 12th edition of the British Kebab Awards. It brings me great joy to reflect on the incredible journey we've undertaken together, celebrating the culinary artistry and cultural richness of the kebab industry.

A mere idea a decade ago, the British Kebab Awards have transformed into a beacon of excellence, amplifying the voices of countless establishments and artisans who pour their passion into perfecting this beloved dish. The evolution of the awards mirrors the evolution of our vibrant industry, showcasing the diverse flavors and traditions that make British kebabs truly exceptional.

Our success is not just measured in the glittering trophies or the glamour of the ceremony, but in the stories of

resilience, creativity, and dedication that emerge from every corner of the kebab world. Through the years, we've witnessed the rise of small family-run businesses alongside the flourishing of innovative kebab artisans who have turned this humble dish into a gastronomic delight. The British Kebab Awards have become more than an accolade; they have become the voice of our industry. A platform where the dreams of kebab shop owners, chefs, and staff are not only acknowledged but celebrated. It's heartening to see how this community has come together, fostering a spirit of camaraderie and healthy competition that benefits us all.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to everyone who has been a part of this incredible journey – from the nominees and winners to the tireless individuals working behind the scenes. Your passion and commitment have made the British Kebab Awards what it is today.

A special thank you must go to our main sponsors, Just Eat, who have been with us for the past 10 years. Without their unwavering support, this journey would not have been the success it is today. Just Eat has played a pivotal role in not only promoting the awards but also in championing the diverse and exceptional talents within the kebab industry. Your commitment has been invaluable, and we are truly grateful for your partnership.

As we raise our glasses to the 12th British Kebab Awards, let's also raise our voices in unity, celebrating the shared heritage and culinary brilliance that make our industry a force to be reckoned with. Here's to another year of delicious kebabs, shared stories, and the continued success of the British kebab community.

Warm regards,

Ibrahim Dogus
Founder, British Kebab Awards

Ibrahim Dogus





Leigh Phillipson

Director of Sales, Just Eat UK

At Just Eat, our mission is simple: to deliver an exceptional experience for our partners, creating mutual value to become an essential extension of their business.

Our heartland is the high street, and we firmly believe that local restaurants are the backbone of our communities. This is why we have been delighted to support the British Kebab Awards for over 10 years, celebrating the achievements of this pioneering industry.

It is no secret that the takeaway industry as a whole has faced a challenging few years, from the Covid-19 pandemic, supply chain pressures created by the geopolitical environment, labour shortages and the cost of living crisis affecting everything from ingredients to energy prices. Just Eat has a strong track record of helping the restaurants on our platform to prosper, as we know we have an opportunity to support and influence others across the diverse takeaway industry. Just Eat will continue to champion the needs of its restaurant partners with politicians of all parties, using our scale and influence to call for the policy changes the industry needs to achieve its full potential. This includes VAT and business rate reform and centralised support to deliver on making environmental improvements.

Despite the multiple and complex challenges it faces, the kebab industry continues to thrive, and the British love of kebabs is truly unwavering. Last year, we saw over 24 million kebabs ordered through Just Eat, reflecting the hard work, high standards and dedication of our restaurant partners.

On behalf of Just Eat, I would like to congratulate Ibrahim for making the British Kebab Awards a huge success. We are proud to play our part in celebrating the achievements of the kebab industry this evening, and we wish each and every one of the finalists the very best of luck.



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The Rt Hon Rishi Sunak PM

Prime Minister of the United Kingdom

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*I am delighted to extend my best wishes for the 12th British Kebab Awards,
taking place on 27 February.*

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Hospitality in all its forms plays a critical role in supporting our economy as well as communities and high streets right across the UK. Kebabs are as much a part of our culture and heritage as fish and chips and curries, reflecting our broad diversity and our nation's love of food.

I know it has been a very difficult few years, but I am confident that the sector can and will play a leading role in the UK's recovery, and help us deliver the growth we want to see right across the country. I hope that this year's event provides an excellent opportunity to build on collective expertise and passion, and to honour those who continue to work hard within the food industry.

I would like to pay tribute to the excellent British Kebab Awards winners and nominees and wish them, and the entire industry, my warm congratulations and every success for 2024.



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The Rt Hon Sir Keir Starmer MP

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

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Best of luck to everyone competing in this year's Kebab Awards, it is one of the most celebrated, and popular events in the industry calendar!

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Contributing over £2.8 billion annually to the British economy and supporting around 200,000 jobs within the restaurant, suppliers, and food industry in the UK, it is a truly British institution.

I know that those working in the service and catering industry are facing tough times particularly during this cost-of-living crisis. The increases to energy costs, rising food prices and staff shortages are testing your businesses' resilience, and highlighting your ingenuity.

We've seen how 12 years of chronic low economic growth has left us exposed, meaning that businesses of all sizes are having to adapt, when you want to thrive. My Labour Party is a pro-business and pro worker party. We have a plan to back British business and get our economy growing again. I know, that a stable and secure economy is built by championing the talent and efforts of millions of hard working people and thousands of businesses like yours.

A Labour Government will replace business rates with a system that is fairer and will cut business rates for small businesses. Our plans will save the average high street independent thousands of pounds. During this time of economic uncertainty, I want to thank the tens of thousands of restaurateurs contributing greatly to their local community and the fabric of British society, providing a valued service to communities up and down the country.

I hope you have a fantastic evening and congratulations to the winners.

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The Founder and Chairman of Cobra Beer

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As we celebrate the 12th year of the British Kebab Awards, Cobra Beer is delighted to continue our sponsorship for this fantastic event, which has become a cornerstone in the UK's culinary calendar.

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This year's awards are especially significant as they reflect the remarkable growth and resilience of the kebab industry, a sector that contributes over £2.8 billion annually to the UK economy — a fact that is particularly impressive in the current economic climate and shows how much the British love their kebabs, from small takeaways in the midlands to gourmet establishments further afield.

The inclusion of new categories like Best Vegan Kebab demonstrates

the industry's adaptability and commitment to catering to all preferences, showcasing the innovative spirit that drives us forward.

Our partnership with the kebab industry goes beyond mere business; it's a shared journey of passion, resilience, and excellence. The kebab industry's evolution from a takeaway favourite to a key player in our nation's dining experience mirrors Cobra Beer's journey in

complementing diverse cuisines, as the bestselling beer in thousands of restaurants across the nation.

We congratulate all the nominees and celebrate the industry's inclusivity, employing individuals from a variety of backgrounds and enriching the UK's culinary tapestry. Here's to another year of success, innovation, and delightful flavours that bring our communities together. Many congratulations and hats off to Ibrahim Dogus and all his wonderful team.



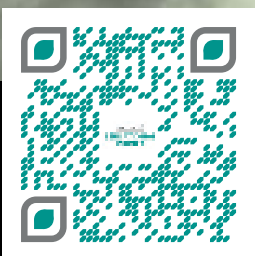
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The Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP

Member of Parliament for Uxbridge and South Ruislip
Former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom

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. 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 Nadhim Zahawi MP

Member of Parliament for Stratford-on-Avon

When I sponsored the first Kebab Awards nearly 13 years ago, I never would have thought it would have turned into such a Westminster fixture. Forget the Spectator Summer Party, the Kebab of the Year Awards are THE place to be seen. But these awards are also a recognition of a massive industry that contributes so much to communities up and down the country. I'm looking forward to another wonderful evening!



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 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.

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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.

The Rt Hon Sir Lindsay Hoyle MP

Member of Parliament for Chorley
Speaker of the House of Commons



Kebabs are among the most popular takeaway foods in the UK – and I for one am a devotee, particularly of chargrilled chicken or lamb shish.

This tasty snack is produced by hard-working small businesses, serving late into the night from almost every high street across the UK – contributing almost £3bn to the economy.

So, it gives me great pleasure to not only support the 12th British Kebab Awards – but to use this opportunity to thank these largely family-run firms, who bring us kebabs from many different communities, including Kurdish, Turkish, Greek and Lebanese.

The Rt Hon Sir Ed Davey MP FRSA

Member of Parliament for Kingston and Surbiton
Leader of the Liberal Democrats



The British Kebab Awards are a fantastic opportunity to celebrate Britain's thriving kebab shops. Our country's kebab shops add flavour and flair to our nation's high streets and economy. I am delighted to support this year's ceremony, which serves to appreciate all those people who work so hard to serve more than 1.5 million delicious kebabs per day across our great nation.

On behalf of my constituents in Kingston and Surbiton, and as Leader of the Liberal Democrats, I want to thank all of our brilliant kebab shops who create jobs locally, grow our local economy and contribute to our thriving community. I wish all the nominees the best of luck, and send my warmest congratulations to the winners.

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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.



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.



The Rt Hon Caroline Nokes MP

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

The kebab restaurants in Romsey and Southampton North are not just great places to eat, they are a vibrant part of the communities they serve. Uni Kebab is such a fantastic take away and restaurant and a real must for all the new students as they arrive in Southampton for the first time. It is a regular winner in the awards, really setting the standard locally.



Jane Hunt MP

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Small Business,
Consumers and Labour Markets

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.

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The Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP

Member of Parliament for Bromsgrove

I have always been a proud supporter of the British Kebab Awards and I am delighted to support them again this year.

Congratulations to all of the nominees on their success and I wish them the very best for the future.



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.



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.

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.



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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.



Jonathan Reynolds MP

Member of Parliament for Stalybridge and Hyde
Shadow Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy of the UK

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
Lord Commissioner to the Treasury

I am looking forward to attending the 12th 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.



Stephen Flynn MP

Member of Parliament for Aberdeen South
Leader of the Scottish National Party in the House of Commons

In Scotland, kebabs continue to be a favourite after a night out or for a weekend take-away, and we're lucky enough to have some of the best in the UK. Thank you to all the kebab shops across these isles, which are more often than not small family-run businesses, for bringing us excellent food and contributing millions to our economy. I hope the British Kebab Awards is an excellent night for all, and good luck to all the nominees



Carolyn Harris MP

Member of Parliament for Swansea East
Deputy Leader of Welsh Labour

Congratulations to all the British Kebab Award nominees 2024. 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.



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The Rt Hon Damian Green MP

Member of Parliament for Ashford,
Chair of the Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee

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.



Ruth Cadbury MP

Member of Parliament for Brentford and Isleworth

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.

Having visited many of the brilliant restaurants and takeaways on offer in Hounslow, I know how tough business has been during the cost-of-living crisis, and due to staff shortages and supply chain issues. That is why it is especially important we celebrate their contribution to the economy and society. The British Kebab Awards is a fixture in the culinary calendar, continuing to promote the highest standards of food hygiene, customer care, as well as taste.

Congratulations to the nominees and winners, and thank you to Ibrahim and his team for all you do to promote kebabs across the UK!

Hoping for another successful event!



Sadiq Khan

Mayor of London

The British Kebab Awards has gone from strength to strength every year and allows us to celebrate a popular cuisine, loved by many Londoners and people across the UK. I want to send my best wishes and congratulations to all the amazing restaurants that have been nominated.

London's reputation as a truly international city is enriched by a thriving hospitality and restaurant sector, and these awards highlight the success of the kebab industry and its vital contributions to our city.

I am proud that these awards are once again being hosted in London, the greatest city in the world and I want to express my thanks to the organisers for a fantastic event again this year.



Lucy Powell MP

Member of Parliament for Manchester Central
Shadow Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport

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 12th British Kebab Awards is an opportunity to celebrate the resilience of the sector, and champion its future.



Paul Scully MP

Member of Parliament for Sutton and Cheam
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Tech and the Digital Economy

It's a great pleasure to attend the British Kebab Awards, where for once a good grilling is very much appreciated by the politicians! A very special thanks to Ibrahim Dogus for continuing to champion this vital industry that I know only too well has faced its challenges but also responded to those challenges over the last few years. All of the nominees have done so well in getting recognised for their efforts and we all know the secret to an excellent weekend has a kebab at the centre of it. Whether shish, doner, lamb, chicken, mixed it doesn't matter, what matters is the support that all of us as customers give to their local kebab shop and I know everyone here has cemented themselves at the centre of their community through the universal love of the kebab to be here tonight. So thank you for all that you do in keeping us well-fed either as a takeaway, a dine-in or a delivery, whichever part of the country you're from and regardless of the results I hope you all have a fantastic evening of sampling the best of the British kebab.



Sarah Champion MP

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

Congratulations to all the nominees in the 12th 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

Blackburn is recognised as having one of the most renowned and diverse restaurant and takeaway industries in the country. We are lucky to have some incredible kebab establishments in our community which contribute to the richness of social and cultural life in Blackburn.

The British Kebab Awards is one of the biggest events in the political calendar and I'm proud to support Istanbul Restaurant in Blackburn as a semi-finalist in the Best Newcomer Restaurant category at this year's awards. Best of luck to all involved and I hope you all have a fantastic evening celebrating the very best of the British kebab industry.



Emma Lewell-Buck MP

Shadow Minister for Children and Families

I am delighted to support the 12th 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

This annual Westminster institution highlights the invaluable contribution of kebabs, the shops that sell them, and the whole industry behind them to the UK. As a country, and as people, we love a kebab, we love them as fine dining and as fast food, they offer something for everyone, health and a little decadence, whatever the moment calls for. The Kebab Awards celebrate kebabs and everyone around them for what they are and what they represent, the UK as a fusion, as a home to all. We all recognise too the immense contribution of Ibrahim Dogus, his team, and CEFTUS in making this happen every year. Congratulations to the winners and everyone nominated, and my very best wishes for an amazing evening to all.



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-l 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 - HAMDİ 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 HUSEYİN 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.



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 Minister for Prisons and Probation

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

I am very happy to support the 12th British Kebab Awards. Kebab restaurants and takeaways are an important and much valued feature of our local communities. They are a vital part of our economy and a social focus for food lovers across the nation. I send my very best wishes to all the nominees who have been shortlisted for this year's 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 Christmas lunch was in one of them. Good luck to everyone taking part and congratulations to the winners and nominees.



Nickie Aiken MP

Member of Parliament for Cities of London and Westminster

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 12th British Kebab Awards is an opportunity to celebrate the resilience of the sector, and champion its future.



The Rt Hon David Lammy MP

Member of Parliament for Tottenham
Shadow Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs

I'm proud to be the MP for an area which is home to some of the best kebab shops in the country. Every night, people stream out of restaurants all along Green Lanes. In fact, one of the first kebab shops in Britain was set up just down the road from my constituency in Newington Green. With supply chain issues, the rise in the cost of food and an increase in taxes, kebab shop owners and workers are going through a particularly difficult period. I hope that everyone enjoys this fantastic event, enjoys some fantastic kebabs, makes new friends and celebrates the national dish that is the kebab. But also, I hope that everyone takes stock of how important these restaurants are to our society and how critical it is that they are supported through such a precarious time.



Elliot Colburn MP

Member of Parliament for Carshalton and Wallington

The British Kebab Awards are an amazing opportunity to support, draw attention to, and celebrate our amazing kebab restaurants. As the Member of Parliament for Carshalton and Wallington, I'm incredibly lucky to have many fantastic ones locally. In fact, a number have made it to the finals in previous years! Whatever the mood, weather, time of day, our kebab restaurants provide something for everyone - and what's more, they bring flare, life and people to our high streets. This is especially important at the moment, where many high streets face various pressures. That's why events like the British Kebab Awards are so important in championing this important and much-respected mainstay of our communities. I'd like to thank the organisers of the awards, and wish all the best and thanks to the finalists - especially Carshalton and Wallington's own Beddington Kebab!



Hefin David MS

Member of the Senedd for Caerphilly

I was so pleased to see the number of finalists from Wales at last years awards. I was thrilled for Wales Kebab in particular, who are based in my constituency of Caerphilly and won Best Kebab House in the Country!

Every town and high street has a kebab house. They really have become the beating hearts of British high streets. I want to wish everyone who has been shortlisted for this year's awards the very best of luck. Enjoy your evening and thank you for all the work you do in providing people with this much-loved food and for celebrating the individuals behind these very special small businesses.



Cllr Jeremy Newmark

Leader of Hertsmere Borough Council

I was so pleased to see the number of finalists from Wales at last years awards. I was thrilled

I'm delighted to support this splendid event. Food, diversity and support for small business – what an incredible recipe for what looks set to be another fantastic celebration.



Yasmin Qureshi

Member of Parliament for Bolton South East

I am proud to support the British Kebab Awards in its 12th year. My constituency, Bolton South East, has some amazing kebab shops and it is fantastic to see an event that celebrates some of the UK's finest food. Behind all the fun, is the serious message that we need to support our small and medium enterprises who are the backbone of our high streets and our economy.



Andrew RT Davies MS

Member of the Senedd for South Wales Central

Leader of the Welsh Conservatives

It is great to congratulate everyone taking part in the 12th Annual British Kebab Awards! Kebab's are a firm favourite in the British diet, and to promote them through an awards evening is a great way to celebrate the best of the best.



Darren Millar MS

Member of the Senedd for Clwyd West

As a huge kebab fan with a host of fantastic eateries and takeaways in my own constituency, I extend my congratulations and best wishes to this years' winners and to all those nominated in the 12th British Kebab Awards.

I look forward to celebrating the success of the industry for many more years to come.

11TH BRITISH KEBAB AWARD WINNERS 2023



**Best Greek Restaurant
and/or takeaway**
WINNER: Fig Tree Grill



**Best Greek Restaurant
and/or takeaway**
HIGHLY COMMENDED: Tony's Pita



Best Kebab House in Northern Ireland
WINNER: The Sphinx



Best Kebab House in Scotland
WINNER: Shawarma King



Best Kebab House in Scotland
HIGHLY COMMENDED: Mr Chef



Best Kebab House in Wales
WINNER: Wales Kebab



**Best Kebab Restaurant
in North and West London**
WINNER: Divan Restaurant Ocakbasi



**Best Kebab Restaurant
in North and West London**
HIGHLY COMMENDED: Yaprak Eastcote

11TH BRITISH KEBAB AWARD WINNERS 2023



Cobra Best Kebab Restaurant in South and East London

WINNER: Cyprus Mangal



Cobra Best Kebab Restaurant in South and East London

HIGHLY COMMENDED: Lara Grill



Best Kebab Restaurant Regional

WINNER: Pasha Turkish Grill Restaurant
(Milton Keynes)



Best Kebab Restaurant Regional

HIGHLY COMMENDED: Sark Restaurant



Jewish News Best Kosher Shawarma Restaurant and/or takeaway

WINNER: Reubens Restaurant



Best Lebanese Restaurant and/or takeaway

WINNER: Beit El Zaytoun



Best Newcomer Restaurant in London/Outside London

WINNER: Cappadocia Restaurant - Epsom



Best Newcomer Restaurant in London/Outside London

WINNER: Kaya Meze Bar

11TH BRITISH KEBAB AWARD WINNERS 2023



**Best Newcomer Restaurant
in London/Outside London**

WINNER: Anar Turkish BBQ Restaurant



Best Takeaway in London

WINNER: Kervan Saray



Best Takeaway Regional

WINNER: Zem Kebab



Best Takeaway Regional

WINNER: Irmak BBQ Dunstable



Best Takeaway Regional

HIGHLY COMMENDED: Master Kebabs



Best Value Restaurant

WINNER: Alacati Grill



**EATPLANTED Best Vegan Kebab
Restaurant or Takeaway**

WINNER: Beelzebab



Chef of the Year

WINNER: Kemal Coskuncay
/ Private delicacies Ltd

11TH BRITISH KEBAB AWARD WINNERS 2023



Chef of the Year

SPECIAL AWARD: Fatma Gungor
/ Fatma's Kitchen



Toast Fine Dining Restaurant

WINNER: Dem Shish Restaurant & Cocktail Bar



Customer Satisfaction

WINNER: La'De Kitchen Pangbourne



Just Eat Best Delivery

WINNER: Millennium Pizza and Kebab



Customer Satisfaction

HIGHLY COMMENDED: Turkuaz



Kebab Van of the Year

WINNER: Gourmet Kebab



Toast Fine Dining Restaurant

WINNER: Paparazzi



Supplier and Manufacturer Award

WINNER: AVANT Natural Mineral Water
(Navson Limited)

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Best Greek Restaurant and/or takeaway

Christakis

Aigburth Road, 136-138 Duke St,
Liverpool, L1 5BB

Fig Tree Grill

The Broadway, Potters Bar, EN6 2HW

Greekouzina

157 Friargate, Preston, PR1 2EJ

Just Greek

48 King St, Penrith, CA11 7AY

Meze Greek Restaurant

31 Cross Street, Ellesmere, SY12 0AW

Mr Souvlaki,

729A Bristol Rd S, Northfield,
Birmingham, B31 2NG

Odyssey Greek Restaurant

1 Knifesmithgate,
Chesterfield, S40 1RF

The Souvlaki

33 Wheatfield Way, Kingston Upon
Thames, KT1 2PD

Tony's Pita

4, New College Parade, Finchley Rd,
Kilburn, London, NW3 5EP

Vlami's

2 Southbury Rd, Enfield, EN1 1RT

Best Kebab House in Northern Ireland

Bodrum Kebab & Pizza House

30A Main St, Crumlin, BT29 4UP

Chaska Enniskillen

14 Forthill St, Enniskillen, BT74 6AJ

Grab A Kebab

The Yard, 8a Holmview Ave,
Omagh, BT79 0AH

Istanbul Kebab,

144 Upper Lisburn Rd,
Finaghy, Belfast, BT10 0BG

Kebab House Ballyhackamore

Upper Newtownards Rd,
Belfast, BT4 3JD

Newton Park Kebab and Pizza House

69a Newton Park, Belfast, BT8 6FQ

Pasha - Turkish Kebab & Pizza House

17 Castle Street, Lisburn, BT27 4SP

The Original Istanbul

145 Ormeau Rd, Belfast, BT7 1SL

The Pharaoh

9 Elesington Ct, Castlereagh,
Belfast, BT6 9JY

The Sphinx

74 Stranmillis Rd, Belfast, BT9 5AD

Best Kebab House in Scotland

Ada Restaurant

9/3 Antigua St, Edinburgh, EH1 3NH

Best Kebab and Pizza House

39 Shillinghill, Alloa, FK10 1JX

Daika Kurdish Grill

3 Johnston Terrace,
Edinburgh, EH1 2PW

Grillzz-German Döner & Peri Peri

614 Dalmarnock Rd,
Glasgow, G40 4NN

Hajar's Shawarma

450a Sauchiehall St, Glasgow, G2 3JD

Kurdish Best Kebab House

58 Montrose Terrace,
Edinburgh, EH7 5DP

Memed Barbecue Grill & Meze Bar,

57-59 S Clerk St, Newington,
Edinburgh, EH8 9PP

Polski Kebab

5 Rose St, Motherwell, ML1 1QQ

Shawarma King

113 King St, Glasgow, G1 5RB

Verdo

21 Newington Rd, Edinburgh, EH9 1QS

Best Kebab House in Wales

Golden BBQ

112 Caerphilly Rd, Birchgrove, Cardiff,
CF14 4QG

Grill & Bake

446 Corporation Rd,
Newport, NP19 0GN

Istanbul Restaurant

22B St Helen's Rd, Swansea, SA1 4AP

Keyif Restaurant | Turkish Mediterranean Cuisine

21 Glebe St, Penarth, CF64 1EE

Lezzet Turkish Kitchen

106 St. Mary Street, Cardiff, CF10 1DX

Marmaris

14 High St, Fleur-de-lis, Blackwood,
NP12 3UB

Pizza Choice

22 Countisbury Avenue,
Cardiff, CF3 5SJ

Pizza Time Pembroke Dock

31B, Meyrick St,
Pembroke Dock, SA72 6AL

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

Cappadocia Restaurant

2, Station Buildings,
Fife Rd, Kingston, KT1 1SW

Divan Restaurant Ocakbasi

163 Ballards Lane, Finchley, N3 1LJ

Farm House Kebab

Market Place Harrow, 80-84,
St Ann's Road, Harrow, HA1 1JX

Istanbul Restaurant

9 Stoke Newington Rd,
Dalston, London, N16 8BH

Istanbul Restaurant (Finchley)

880, 882 High Rd, London, N12 9RH

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Izgara Restaurant

1274 High Rd,
London, N20 9HH

Kayra Restaurant

187-189, High St,
London, W3 9DJ

Testi Restaurant

38 Stoke Newington High St,
Clapton, London, N16 7PL

Yaprak Eastcote

180 Field End Rd, Ruislip,
Pinner, HA5 1RF

Best Kebab Restaurant in South and East London

Cyprus Mangal

45 Warwick Way,
Lillington and Longmoore Gardens,
London, SW1V 1QS

Dem Restaurant

11 Central Hill, London, SE19 1BG

Hayat Restaurant

25 The Oval, Sidcup,
London, DA15 9ER

Hazine Bexleyheath

288-290 Broadway, Bexleyheath,
London, DA6 8AJ

Istanbul Kebab & Mangal

19 Upper Tooting Rd, Tooting Bec,
London, SW17 7TS

Lara Grill

20 Whalebone Ln S,
Dagenham, RM8 1BJ

The Ottoman Doner - Whitechapel

163 Cannon St Rd, Whitechapel,
London, E1 2LX

Turkuaz

163 Bromley Rd, London, SE6 2NZ

Yaz Restaurant

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

Zavi

747-753 Sidcup Rd, London, SE9 3SA

Best Kebab Restaurant Regional

Anar Turkish BBQ Restaurant

130 Prescot Rd, Fairfield,
Liverpool, L7 0JB

Fatma's Kitchen

60 the Broadway,
Haywards Heath, RH16 3AL

Mehmet Kitchen

175-177 Copnor Rd,
Portsmouth, PO3 5BT

Mem's Meze Restaurant

Halfway House, Halfway Road,
Sheerness, ME12 3AU

Meram Kitchen

17 High St, Christchurch, BH23 1AB

Olive Tree Turkish Mediterranean Restaurant and Bar

199 Midsummer Blvd, Milton Keynes,
MK9 1EA

Pasha Turkish Grill Restaurant

16 Buckingham Rd, Bletchley,
Milton Keynes, MK3 5HL

Sumac Grill

91 Trinity Ln, Hinckley, LE10 0BL

Tarla Restaurant

23-25 Middle Row,
Stevenage, SG1 3AW

Zeytin

3 Denne Rd, Horsham, RH12 1JE

Best Kosher Shawarma restaurant and/or takeaway

Balady Alaesh

60 High St, Barnet, EN5 5SJ

Balagan

47 Shenley Rd,
Borehamwood, WD6 1AE

Bricky's

5 Shenley Rd,
Borehamwood, WD6 1AA

Habiba's Deli & Smokehouse

1179 Finchley Rd,
London, NW11 0AA

Pita

102 Golders Green Rd,
London, NW11 8HB

Reubens Restaurant

79 Baker St, London, W1U 6RG

Sababa Borehamwood

33-35 Shenley Rd,
Borehamwood, WD6 1AE

Sami's

313 Hale Ln, Edgware, HA8 7AX

Samis Restaurant

157 Brent St, London, NW4 4DJ

Shefa Mehadrin

49-53 Bury New Rd, Prestwich,
Manchester, M25 9JY

Best Lebanese Restaurant and/or Takeaway

Awafi Foods

Unit 23, Cumberland Business Park,
Cumberland Ave, Park Royal,
London, NW10 7RT

Beit El Zaytoun

15 Barretts Green Road,
London, NW10 7AE

Cedrus

40 High St, Sidcup, DA14 6EH

Comptoir Libanais

4 Newark St, Bath, BA1 1AT

Kambis

107 Western Rd, Brighton, BN1 2AA

Layalina Knightsbridge

2 Beauchamp Place, London, SW3 1NG

Libano Restaurant Balham

76 Balham High Rd,
London, SW12 9AG

Maroush Beauchamp Place

38 Beauchamp Pl, London, SW3 1NU

Sqew Shawarma Bar

7 Duncan St, Leeds, LS1 6DQ

Warda Lebanese Restaurant

22 The Bourne, London, N14 6PH

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Best Newcomer Restaurant in London/Outside London

Bursa Kebap Evi Angel

341 Upper St, London, N1 0PB

Dem Shish Restaurant

Worth Rd, Crawley, RH10 7DY

Efes Premium

39A Hartfield Rd, London, SW19 3SG

Gizli

23 Station St, Burton-on-Trent,
DE14 1AU

LA BANQ

38 High St, Watford,
Abbots Langley, WD5 0AR

Losh Bar and Grill

9 Station Rd, Harpenden, AL5 4AA

Lura Greek Restaurant

379 Uxbridge Rd, London, W3 9SA

Olea Social

10 Upper St Martin's Ln
London, WC2H 9FB

Relish Turkish Restaurant

Bell Walk House, Uckfield, TN22 5DQ

The Skewer

386 Caledonian Rd, London, N1 1DY

Best Takeaway in London

Archway Kebab

26 Junction Rd, Archway,
London, N19 5RE

Best Turkish Kebab East Ham

302 Barking Rd, East Ham,
London, E6 3BA

Kervan Saray

368 Brentwood Rd, Gidea Park,
Hornchurch, Romford, RM2 5TD

Olives and Meze

131 Clapham High St,
London, SW4 7SS

Pizza King Kebab House

109 Hertford Rd,
Edmonton, London, N9 7EE

Skewers Victoria Kebab

Pimlico, 112 Vauxhall Bridge Rd,
Westminster, London, SW1V 2RQ

Tavuuk Gemuse Doner

Bateman St, London, W1D 4AG

The Best Turkish Kebab

125 Stoke Newington Rd,
London, N16 8BT

The Doner Guys

322 Burdett Rd,
London, E14 7DL

TOPKAPI GRILL & MEZZE,

295 Brampton Rd,
Bexleyheath, DA7 5QR

Best Takeaway Regional

Alim-Et Takeaway

751 London Road,
Aylesford, ME20 6DE

Antep Kebab House

2 S Bar St, Banbury, OX16 9AA

Botan Kebab House

24 Berry St, Liverpool, L1 4JF

E G Charcoal Grill

6 Railway Approach,
East Grinstead, RH19 1BP

Ellesmere Port Kebab House

4 The Arcade Regent Street,
Ellesmere Port, CH65 8DX

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

Woodview Fish Bar & Kebab House

Wood View,
Castleford, WF10 1PX

Zem Kebab

185 Amersham Rd,
High Wycombe, HP13 5AE

Best Value Restaurant

Antep Kitchen Oxford

228-230 Cowley Rd,
Oxford, OX4 1UH

Bosphorus Meze & Mangal

46 Market Square,
Saint Neots, PE19 2AF

Cafe Istanbul

79-81 Bridge St,
Manchester, M3 2RH

Cappadocia

64 High St,
Walton-on-Thames, KT12 1BU

Efes Restaurant

278-280 Glossop Rd, Broomhall,
Sheffield, S10 2HS

Ev Restaurant

The Arches, 98 Isabella St,
South Bank, London, SE1 8DD

Hasturk Bar Meze Grill

3 Charter Way, Braintree, CM77 8YH

Kozzy Cafe

53 Red Lion St, London, WC1R 4PD

Turknaz Restaurant

North Parade, Whitley Bay, NE26 1NX

Yildiz Restaurant

163 Blackstock Rd,
Finsbury Park, London, N4 2JS

Best Vegan Kebab (Restaurant or Takeaway)

Beelzebub

The Hope & Ruin, 11-12 Queens Rd,
Brighton, BN1 3WA

Dhil's

246 Aylestone Ln, Leicester,
Wigston, LE18 1BD

Döner Summer

10-12 Call Ln, Leeds, LS1 6DN

Fennec & Parsley

108 Hoxton St, London, N1 6SH

Hibox

48 Goodge St, London, W1T 4LX

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I Am Doner

14a Infirmary St, Leeds, LS1 2JP

Resist! Vegan Kitchen

21 St James St, King's Lynn, PE30 5DA

Vegan Hub

5, Carlton Parade, Preston Rd,
Wembley, HA9 8NE

Vegano

33a Blandford Square,
Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 4HZ

What The Pitta Camden

89-91 Bayham St, London, NW1 0AG

Chef of the Year

Ahmet Kabayel / Pircio

Drill Hall, Bishop's Stortford,
CM23 3UU

Enver Taskin/Enver's Bar and Grill

413 Langsett Rd, Hillsborough,
Sheffield, S6 2LL

Haci Akdogan / Haz Restaurant

6 Mincing Ln, London, EC3M 3BD

Hasan Uzum / Testi Restaurant

38 Stoke Newington High St,
Clapton, London, N16 7PL

Kemal Coskuncay / Private Delicacies Ltd

1 Lark Lane, Liverpool, L17 8UN

Kudret Yilmaz / Turknaz

N Parade, Whitley Bay, NE26 1NX

Mazlum Demir / Skewd Kitchen

12 Cockfosters Parade,
Barnet, EN4 0BX

Rahmi Turk / Yaprak Chalfont
St Peter, 137 High St, Chalfont St
Peter, Gerrards Cross, SL9 9QL

Taceddin Ozcan / Paragonsbbq Lokanta

35 Burnt Oak Broadway, Edgware,
London, HA8 5JZ

Tansu Ozsoykal / Rox Restaurant,

190-194 Eltham High Street,
London, SE9 1BJ

Customer Satisfaction

A La Turka Ramsgate

110-114 Harbour Parade,
Ramsgate, CT11 8LP

Gulen Ocakbasi

100 Bellegrove Rd, Welling, DA16 3QD

La'De Kitchen Pangbourne

3-5 Reading Rd, Pangbourne,
Reading, RG8 7LR

Misya Meze Grill

123 High St, Stevenage, SG1 3HS

Mount Nemrut Turkish Restaurant

204 Lightwoods Rd, Bearwood,
Smethwick, B67 5AZ

Opuz Kitchen

162 Marlowes,
Hemel Hempstead, HP1 1BA

Shiraz Bar & Restaurant

11 Massetts Rd, Horley, RH6 7PR

The Shish Meze Bar - Rickmansworth

8 Moneyhill Parade,
Rickmansworth, WD3 7BE

The Woody Grill

211-213 Kilburn High Road,
London, NW6 7JG

Uni Kebab

190 Burgess Rd, Southampton, SO16 3AY

Fine Dining Restaurant

Coco Restaurant Grill & Lounge

34a Shad Thames, London, SE1 2YG

Dem Shish Restaurant & Cocktail Bar

85-87 South St, Eastbourne, BN21 4LR

DeRoka Restaurants

Unit 600a, The Hub,
Buckinghamshire, MK9 2FS

Istanblue Royton

28 Rochdale Rd, Royton,
Oldham, OL2 6QJ

Ruya London

30 Upper Grosvenor St,
Mayfair, London, W1K 7PH

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

Yaprak Chalfont St Peter

137 High St, Chalfont St Peter, Gerrards
Cross, SL9 9QL

Yuce's

1 The Rows, Harlow, CM20 1BX

Just Eat Best Delivery

Ali Baba,

9 Southwick Square,
Southwick, Brighton, BN42 4FP

BBQ Grill

46 Silverweed Rd,
Chatham, ME5 0QX

Grill House

166 Mill Rd, Cambridge, CB1 3LP

Holmer Green Kebabs

7 Turners Pl, Holmer Green,
High Wycombe, HP15 6RN

Istanbul Restaurant

17 Butts, Coventry, CV1 3GJ

Jerry's

10 West St, Blandford Forum, DT11 7AJ

Kent Kebab House

1 Godinton Rd, Ashford, TN23 1JA

Millennium Pizza and Kebab

39-41 Midland Rd,
Wellingborough, NN8 1HF

Turkish Best Kebab

2 Todmorden Rd,
Burnley, BB10 4AE

Wellingborough Kebab House

24 Sheep St, Wellingborough, NN8 1BS

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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

Best Kebab Van

Market St, Chipping Norton, OX7 5NA

Bourton Kebab Van

Bourton Link, Cheltenham, GL54 2HQ

Burwell Kebab Van

21 The Causeway, Burwell,
Cambridge, CB25 0DU

Diamond Kebab

291 Arbury Rd, Cambridge, CB4 2JL

Gourmet Kebab

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

Sammy's Kebabs Calne,

Sainsbury's Car Park,
The Pippin, Calne, SN11 0RA

Tetbury Kebab Van,

Tetbury Industrial Estate,
Cirencester Road, Tetbury, GL8 8EZ

The Boss Kebab

The Oak, Winchester road,
Fareham, PO17 5HE

Supplier and Manufacturer Award

AVANT Natural Mineral Water (Navson Limited)

Monarch House Crabtree Office Village,
Eversley Way, Egham, TW20 8RY

Best Catering

Leeside Industrial Estate,
Unit 5-9 Garman Rd,
Tottenham, London, N17 0QH

Eda Quality Foods Ltd

Unit 1-8, Centenary Estate,
Jeffreys Rd, Enfield, EN3 7UD

IKA EPOS Systems

Unit B, Watkins House, Pegamoid Rd,
Pegamoid Rd, London, N18 2NG

Istanbul Meats Ltd

First Ave, Drum Industrial Estate,
Chester-le-Street, DH2 1AG

McCain Foodservice

Havers Hill, Eastfield,
Scarborough, YO11 3BS

Sancak Meat

68a High Street,
Waltham Cross, EN8 7BU

Vatan Catering Ltd

Mill Mead Rd, London, N17 9QU

Village Quality Products Ltd

Unit A3, Hickman Avenue,
Highams Park, London, E4 9JG

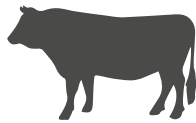
Yayla Enterprises Ltd

Banks Court,
Blaydon-on-Tyne, NE21 5NH



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Cllr Ross Garrod

Leader of Merton Council

Merton residents love nothing more than a good Kebab! Fortunately, Merton's appetite is satisfied by some of the best Kebab restaurants and takeaways not only in London but also within the entire country!

Thank you to the British Kebab Awards for providing a platform to recognise and reward the hardworking people behind the fantastic kebab establishments in Merton, who bring exciting flavours and cultures to our plates, communities, and high streets.



Cllr Claire Holland

Leader of Lambeth Council

I am delighted to see the return of the British Kebab Awards this year. It is a great tribute to local takeaways and restaurants across the nation, not just celebrating their offer, but championing their role in our local economies. After a pandemic that greatly impacted many in this industry and inflationary pressures that are really hitting local businesses hard, these awards are also a recognition of the resilience of Britain's takeaways and restaurants



Ben Everitt

Member of Parliament for Milton Keynes North

The British Kebab Awards are a fantastic opportunity to showcase the very best of our food scene and I'm proud that restaurants from Milton Keynes always do so well as it shows the amazing diversity of our local food sector.



Daniel Zeichner

Member of Parliament for Cambridge

The British Kebab Awards are a highlight of the year, and always keenly anticipated in Westminster. They have helped focus attention on the thousands of businesses and staff who help to feed the nation, providing tasty, affordable food to millions. The awards highlight the excellence across the sector and inspire everyone to do better – as the shadow Food Minister, I am delighted to endorse the awards and wish everyone involved every success.



Martyn Day

Member of Parliament for Linlithgow and East Falkirk

I welcome the celebration of success that the British Kebab Awards marks. As well as the industry's contribution to the economy, its success is representative of a prevailing cultural diversity that is appreciated and immersed within society and culture across the nations of the UK. I want to extend my very best wishes to all the nominees, and I send my support for the industry's continuous prosperity.

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Dan Norris

Mayor of the West of England

From takeaways to fine dining, the kebab is one of Britain's national dishes. The fierce competition between kebab houses that exists in the West of England is a great indicator of just how popular this firm favourite among residents has become. My region has a thriving hospitality trade, and these awards highlight the vital contributions of our Turkish, Kurdish and Kebab restaurants to our economy, and culture. I would like to send my best wishes to Ibrahim and the British Kebab Awards team, and say a big, big congratulations to all nominees, and wish everyone the very best of luck.



Matt Western MP

Member of Parliament for Warwick and Leamington
Shadow Minister for Further Education and Universities

Local kebab restaurants bring colour and life to our community's economy and culture. The people who run and work at my local restaurants are some of the hardest-working, friendliest people I've come across. Halikarnas and Shawarma Grill are local favourites and I must give them a shout out.



Stephen Morgan MP

Member of Parliament for Portsmouth South
Shadow Minister for Schools

Stephen Morgan MP congratulates local British Kebab Awards finalist The city MP has congratulated Efes Kebab in Fratton on being shortlisted for the prestigious British Kebab Awards. Efes Kebab has been shortlisted for the 'Best Takeaway Regional' category and the winners will be announced at a ceremony in London on Tuesday 27 February 2024. Stephen has welcomed this news as it showcases local success in the kebab industry, shining a spotlight on small businesses in Portsmouth South. Congratulations Efes Kebab!



The Rt Hon John Wittingdale OBE MP

Member of Parliament for Maldon
Minister of State for Media and Data

The UK is incredibly fortunate in having an enormous variety of high quality restaurants offering a wide variety of cuisines, not least in my own constituency. I was delighted that Sark in Maldon won the Best Regional Kebab Restaurant Award last year and that this year Paparazzi is a finalist. I am a regular customer of both and congratulate them and all the businesses nominated tonight. I also want to thank them for the enormous contribution that they make to our economy, to our culture and to our country.



Paul Holmes MP

Member of Parliament for Eastleigh

Our food and drink industry is the beating heart - and rumbling stomach of many communities. We are lucky to have so many talented, dedicated and passionate restaurants and takeaway outlets across the length and breadth of our nation.

The British Kebab Awards is fast becoming an unmissable exhibition of some of the greatest gastronomic delights that the industry has to offer, and I would like to congratulate all participants and winners of this great competition.

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James Davies MP

Member of Parliament for Vale of Clwyd
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Wales

The British Kebab Awards are a true celebration of the contribution the kebab industry makes to our economy and culture. Kebab shops have long been established as one of Britain's best-loved food establishments and that is thanks to thousands of small and medium enterprises, and their employees, running those restaurants across the UK.

I know many people across the UK have their own favourite local kebab takeaway or restaurant. The impact of the kebab industry is a testament to the best of Britain's diverse culture, and the economic, cultural and culinary impact of the industry cannot be underestimated.

I am proud supporter of the British Kebab Awards and I am delighted to support these awards once again this year.



Douglas Chapman MP

Member of Parliament for Dunfermline and West Fife

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.



Gagan Mohindra MP

Private Parliamentary Secretary (PPS) to the Foreign Secretary

The last couple of years have been incredibly difficult for takeaways following the COVID-19 pandemic, which was only made worse with the cost of living crisis that followed. Yet through this turbulence, thousands of takeaways have fought to keep their doors open to local residents. When I first moved to my constituency of South West Hertfordshire, I saw how the rapport that takeaways and local shops have with local residents. Kebab shops like Mangal Express in Rickmansworth are the beating heart of our High Streets, and we should do all we can to support and protect them. It is a pleasure to have been invited to the 2024 British Kebab Awards and to celebrate those who have had such a positive impact within their local communities.

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Allan Dorans

Member of Parliament for Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock

I am delighted to say that in my constituency of Ayr, Carrick, and Cumnock we have several fantastic Kebab restaurants and takeaways, all, worthy of an award. Not only do our local kebab restaurants and take aways provide fantastic tasting food using excellent quality, often local ingredients, but they also offer a vital source of jobs within my constituency and bring great cultural diversity to the community. They contribute significantly to the local economy, providing employment and training and skills development opportunities within the restaurants and food delivery sector. The staff within Ayrshire's local kebab shops work extremely hard and are always there with a friendly face. They are an integral and particularly important, welcome part of the community in South-West Scotland and are well deserving of recognition.



Councillor Baggy Shanker

Leader of Derby City Council

The kebab industry in the UK is influenced by the diverse cultural and ethnic makeup of the country. Kebabs are associated with various cultures, including Turkish, Kurdish, Lebanese, Iranian, Greek, and others. Each culture brings its own unique flavours and styles to the industry.

The British kebab industry offers a wide variety of kebabs, ranging from traditional doner kebabs (made from seasoned meat cooked on a vertical rotisserie) to shish kebabs (skewered and grilled meat) and other styles like koftes and falafel. Vegetarian and vegan options are also increasingly popular, reflecting the diverse dietary preferences of the population.

Although Shish kebab is my personal favourite it is great to see such a variety on the high street shop and bars reflecting the multicultural nature of the UK.



Dr James Davies

Member of Parliament for Vale of Clwyd

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I am proud supporter of the British Kebab Awards and I am delighted to support these awards once again this year.



Dr Rupa Huq

Member of Parliament for Ealing Central and Acton

The British Kebab Awards has become a huge annual highlight in the Parliamentary calendar for all MPs. I am delighted to once again support this brilliant event. On some occasions I've been amazed to see more MPs than in the House of Commons there! You are always also guaranteed first class tasty fare and top entertainment over the course of the evening. The kebab industry is vital to our nation's economy of which hospitality is a key sector. It enriches our high streets and symbolises the cultural diversity we all cherish so much in the UK. It is vibrant but with depleting retail and food options on our high streets in the face of the covid downturn and multiple crises - spanning energy and cost of living those in the kebab supply chain at all levels also need government championing. I long for the next Labour government who I'm sure will back Britain's kebab trade and these dazzling awards 100%. Long may they continue.



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 Mental Health
and Women's Health Strategy

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 12th 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
Minister of State for Industry and Investment Security

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 2024 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.



Sarah Dines MP

Member of Parliament for Derbyshire Dales
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Safeguarding

I would like to send best wishes on behalf of Derbyshire Dales to everyone involved in the British Kebab Awards.

I was delighted to speak to a kebab shop manager in Wirksworth in my constituency recently. We discussed how Derbyshire Dales prides itself on its excellent local produce and broad range of cuisines and that kebabs of course fit so well into this culinary tradition.

Smaller, independent restaurants and shops have also been an important part of the story of our high streets and will play a role in ensuring they continue to thrive.



Anas Sarwar MSP

Member of the Scottish Parliament for Glasgow Region
Leader of the Scottish Labour Party

I would like to wish every nominee the best of luck in this year's British Kebab Awards. As someone who has enjoyed many a good kebab I'm delighted to support and recognise those who work in kebab shops and takeaways across the country. As we celebrate the 12th year of these awards, I would also like to thank the organisers who showcase some of the best that our hospitality industry has to offer.

It is more important than ever that we celebrate our hospitality industry and recognise the contribution those working in kebab shops and takeaways make to our society and our economy. The humble kebab in Britain is also a story of endeavour, migrating from its Middle Eastern origins, to becoming an institution in the United Kingdom, supporting entrepreneurship and creating jobs across our country. I pay tribute to all nominees and congratulate the winners on their awards. I hope all in attendance have a fantastic evening.



Afzal Khan MP

Member of Parliament for Manchester Gorton

I'm thrilled to see the British Kebab Awards enter its 12th year of celebrations and commemorations to all the hardworking individuals and businesses across the kebab industry. The kebab industry is one that has played an integral role in the British culinary scene, with the kebab being a staple food amongst communities across the country and playing a vital role in keeping local businesses alive.

In my own city of Manchester, kebab houses are a key part of the vibrant food tapestry that make up the city and can be found dotted all along the bustling Curry Mile, contributing to Manchester's lively food scene. I want to pay tribute to the chefs, the servers, the drivers, the entrepreneurs and all of the hardworking people in the kebab industry who have helped the kebab reach its legendary status as one of the nations favourite foods. I am incredibly pleased to see your hardworking efforts recognised and I congratulate the winners and all nominees.

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Brendan Clarke-Smith MP

Parliamentary Secretary for the Cabinet Office

The kebab industry has contributed £2.2 billion to the UK economy in 2018, with similar figures being reported for successive years. Since the 1980's they have become one of Bassetlaw's favourite takeaway meal choices for party goers and the local the population. Kebab businesses on the high streets of Bassetlaw reflect this significant contribution of the industry to the UK economy and British culture in general. They provide jobs, wages, and food for residents across the constituency.



Kim Johnson MP

Member of Parliament for Liverpool Riverside

Kebab shops are a regular sight on our streets, as our nation has fallen in love with this tasty combination of meat, bread and salad and it has become a regular favourite takeaway - no longer confined to the late-night snack following a boozy night out. In my Liverpool constituency, I am lucky to have 7 out of the top 10 kebab restaurants and particularly that Botan, shortlisted for a Regional award this year, is a two-times former winner. Having tasted their kebabs I can understand why.



The Rt Hon Priti Patel

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.



Naz Shah MP

Member of Parliament for Bradford West
Shadow Minister for Crime Reduction

Bradford is well renowned for its restaurant and takeaway industry and in my constituency of Bradford West we are lucky to have a wide variety of kebab takeaways and restaurants which play an important role in making the city unique. The contribution of these businesses has helped Bradford to become the UK's next city of culture. I am pleased to attend the British Kebab Awards and celebrate the Kebab industry in the UK and the role that it has in cities like Bradford.



Timothy Loughton FSA MP

I would like to send my warmest congratulations to Ali Baba on their shortlisting as a finalist in the Just East Best Delivery category for 2023's British Kebab Awards. Ali Baba is a local favourite and mainstay of Southwick Square, helping to add to the range of culture and cuisine we enjoy in East Worthing and Shoreham. I look forward to attending the award ceremony on 28 February and will be rooting for Ali Baba on the night.

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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.





Rob Roberts MP

Member of Parliament for Delyn

Diversity, culture and choice are fundamental elements of British society. The contributions made to local communities by kebab shops up and down the country cannot be measured simply by the economic activity they bring to an area, but by the richness of the cultural life and other additions that they make to communities. A food that used to be an “end-of-night-out” meal on the way home is now something that families are enjoying together around the table as the richness and variety of the dishes have become a staple of family life across the nation. I am delighted that two of the shops in my constituency have been shortlisted from the many high-quality establishments that we have, and thank them and their competitors for their contribution to our community.



Tommy Sheppard MP

Member of Parliament for Edinburgh East

Congratulations to all the nominees at the British Kebab Awards! Your outstanding contributions have truly enriched our culture, economy and culinary scene. The kebab shop is a staple of every town and city across Scotland and these awards are an excellent way to recognise the hard-working people at the heart of the industry. I'll be rooting for Edinburgh based Daika Kurdish Grill, Kurdish Best Kebab House, Verdo, Memed Barbecue Grill & Meze Bar who have all been shortlisted in the Best Kebab House in Scotland category. Best of luck to all!



Alison Thewliss MP

Member of Parliament for Glasgow Central
SNP Home Affairs Spokesperson in the House of Commons

There are so many fantastic kebab outlets throughout my constituency, and I am sure a few will be nominated for awards this year. While it is important that we celebrate the many kebab restaurants and takeaways across the country, it's those behind the scenes that make these places what they are. From the chefs to the cleaners and all those in between, every person that supports the outlets in the way that they do deserve a huge amount of thanks for their impact in society. It would be great if the people of my constituency could come together and show their appreciation for everyone who makes these places such a key part of the culture of Glasgow.



Richard Graham CGM MP

Member of Parliament for Gloucester

Congratulations to Gloucester based Marco's Kebab Van – well known to my constituents at its Coney Hill RFC base – for again reaching the finals of this prestigious awards, and fingers crossed you scoop a winner's prize this year! I am proud of your achievement and proud for you all of the recognition that being nominated gives you. Well done all who do competed and especially the winners.

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Neil Bibby MSP

Member of the Scottish Parliament for West Scotland Region

I wanted to express my wholehearted support for the 12th British Kebab Awards, an event that celebrates the rich culinary diversity and cultural heritage of our community. I am particularly pleased to witness events like these that bring people together, and recognise the hard work and dedication of those in the culinary industry. Kebab restaurants have become an integral part of the British food scene and these establishments contribute significantly to our economy and provide employment opportunities to many. I commend the organisers and participants of the British Kebab Awards for their efforts in organising this prestigious event. I would like to wish all the nominees the very best of luck and extend my warmest congratulations to the winners.



Mike Amesbury MP

Member of Parliament for Weaver Vale

As well as being a great night out, the annual British Kebab Awards throw the spotlight on valued small businesses - takeaways and restaurants - popular with people in my constituency and across the country.

From time to time, I have been known to enjoy a chicken kebab or a mixed kebab from a local eatery myself!

Worth more than £2.2 billion to the UK economy, the sector has been an integral part of our culture for decades.

However, the plea for people to support their local kebab house is more crucial than ever this year as inflationary pressures are putting many establishments under considerable strain.



Janet Daby

Member of Parliament for Lewisham East

The British Kebab Awards is always a brilliant opportunity to celebrate wonderful local businesses who contribute so much to our local communities and economies. Thank you to Ibrahim and the entire team at the British Kebab Awards for the work they do to promote kebab businesses in the United Kingdom. In my constituency of Lewisham East, we are lucky to have an array of thriving kebab restaurants and takeaways - including ones which have been recognised at the Kebab Awards in recent years. Given the challenges being faced by businesses across the country, it is more important now than ever to champion and utilise our local businesses. I look forward to celebrating Lewisham East's restaurants and takeaways both at the Kebab Awards and through using them across the year.



Mark Eastwood

Member of Parliament for Dewsbury

Many people think of Kebabs as something you consume after visiting the pub, however in my constituency they are also a delicious meal in their own right. The kebab industry in Dewsbury is crucial to the local economy which has a large multicultural population, and we are fortunate to have so much choice, whether you want a gourmet style mixed grill or a traditional doner with salad and chilli sauce. I am pleased to support this event and the kebab industry and not just after visiting the pub



Royston Smith MP

Member of Parliament for Southampton Itchen

I am delighted to lend my support to the 12th 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 restauranteurs 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

The kebab industry can often be overlooked or indeed criticised in its contribution to our highstreets. This is misplaced and we should celebrate the culinary diversity these businesses have brought to Britain. So a huge thank you to the hardworking staff in businesses here in Wansbeck and up and down the country who have become cherished parts of our local community.



John Howell OBE FSA FRGS MP

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

Kebab restaurants and takeaways are an important part of our local communities and enrich the culture of our high streets. No one kebab shop is the same and each place adds their own individual spin. I love going to some of the brilliant kebab restaurants in Hull West and Hessle to talk and share food with family and friends. The British Kebab Awards are a fantastic opportunity to celebrate and recognise the very best both nationally and locally.



Andrew Gwynne MP

Member of Parliament for Denton and Reddish
Shadow Minister for Public Health

These awards are a brilliant way to celebrate the success of these fantastic small businesses located across the UK. The contribution made by the Turkish, Kurdish and many other communities that make up the kebab industry in Britain are truly special, and I hope the British Kebab Awards go from strength to strength.



The Rt Hon Caroline Dinenage MP

The Lady Lancaster of Kimbolton DBE
Member of Parliament for Gosport
Minister of State for Digital and Culture

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

Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

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

The British Kebab Awards is a highlight in the Parliamentary calendar and I have no doubt that the 12th annual celebration will be no different! It is a great occasion, bringing the best kebab houses from all over the country together to celebrate their successes and achievements from the past year, all whilst enjoying some delicious Turkish cuisine.

I hope that all those attending have a memorable night and I wish the best of luck to all the finalists hoping to receive an award on the night!



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Kate Osborne MP

Member of Parliament for Jarrow

I am delighted to attend this year's Kebab Awards and support my good friend, Ibrahim Dogus, in his tireless work in showcasing the talent we have across the country in this sector on a national stage.

Kebab restaurants and takeaways are often family run businesses and are a hub for communities showcasing a delicious taste of the many cultures it represents. Our hospitality sector represents the wonderful diversity in society and provides thousands of jobs, the backbone of our local economies.

I wish all nominees to the awards the best of luck and hope everyone has a fabulous night.



Steven Bonnar MP

Member of Parliament for Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill

I am proud to be supporting the British Kebab Awards. Kebab shops in Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill bring a richness of diversity and culture to our communities, and are a hidden treasure within the restaurant scene. I would like to pay tribute to all of the workers who work tirelessly behind the scenes of our fantastic kebab outlets: from the chefs to the waiters to the cleaners and all those in between.



Sharon Hodgson MP

Member of Parliament for Washington and Sunderland West

Sending a hearty cheer to the British kebab industry, especially to those in Washington and Sunderland West! Your commitment to serving delicious, mouth-watering kebabs adds a special touch to the culinary landscape. It's inspiring to see local businesses enrich the community with flavours that captivate taste buds and create memorable dining experiences. The British Kebab Awards recognise and celebrate the excellence within the industry. The dedication and innovation showcased at these awards promote and elevate the entire kebab experience. To the kebab shops across Britain, your presence enriches the community, creating spaces where people come together over shared love for delectable kebabs. Your resilience and dedication are commendable, especially in the face of challenges. The hard work of local restaurants, takeaways and suppliers not only satisfies cravings but also contributes significantly to the vibrant food culture we cherish. Here's to more success, satisfied customers, and the aromatic allure of well-grilled kebabs spreading joy throughout the region. Keep skewering, grilling, and making a difference in the world of flavours!



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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
Shadow Minister for Northern Ireland

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.



Alex Davies-Jones MP

Member of Parliament for Pontypridd
Shadow Minister for Tech, Gambling and Digital Economy

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!



Chris Elmore MP

Member of Parliament for Ogmore
Opposition Whip

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

The Kebab Awards is now an absolutely central part of the country's culinary calendar. Throughout the length and breadth of Britain, the annual Kebab Awards is acknowledged as being a vitally important event which gives credit to those who create Kebabs of the highest quality. Long may it continue



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I'm delighted to support the 12th 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.



Alex Sobel MP

Member of Parliament for Leeds North West

Kebabs are a national favourite and have become part of the UK's food heritage. They serve as an important reminder of the ways that communities from all over the world are constantly in dialogue with one another, never isolated.



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 12th 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.



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.



The Rt Hon Sir George Howarth MP

Member of Parliament for Knowsley

The Kebab Awards annual event, in addition to being a spectacular event, offers a welcome opportunity to pay tribute to businesses which provide a welcome and well-established contribution to our communities.



Marsha de Cordova MP

Member of Parliament for Battersea

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.



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.



Julie Marson MP

Member of Parliament for Hertford and Stortford

My constituency, Hertford and Stortford, is blessed with many kebab shops, many of which are small businesses, supporting our local communities and providing jobs to local people. Our high streets would not be the same without them. Let us celebrate the sizzle, aroma, and distinct taste of excellence that the British Kebab Awards always bring to the forefront. I know that this event will continue to be a driving force in promoting culinary excellence and cultural appreciation within the UK.



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
Chair of Scottish Affairs Select Committee

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

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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.

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Finalists in the British Kebab Awards

A Turkish restaurant in a Leicestershire town has been nominated for the British Kebab Awards 2023 and could go on to be named the best in the country.

Described as 'the most delicious food association with just Eat and one supplier', they aim to recognise and celebrate restaurants across the nation.

According to organisers, the kebab industry, with more than 1.5m kebab restaurants across the UK, is a £1.5bn industry.

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They include Chef of the Year, Customer Service, Best Newcomer Restaurant in London, Takeaway Regional, Best Value Restaurant, Best Newcomer Restaurant in London.

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Four Greater Manchester eateries make the finals of the British Kebab Awards

The winners will be announced at a glittering awards ceremony in February next year.

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Dinner Summer is a vegan favourite with branches all across Northern England (Image: Dinner Summer)

Kebab is the end of the night. It's a sizzling kebab and a cold beer, but eating one of these delicacies is becoming a more common weekend treat as the industry grows and evolves.

Fortunately, here in Greater Manchester we're well served when it comes to kebab houses and restaurants - and now four businesses have been named as finalists in the British Kebab Awards for 2023. They are Delight, Dinner Summer, Shish Kebabs and Safran's Kebab House.

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The awards - which recognise and champion the efforts of local kebab businesses and restaurants across the nation - are now in their eleventh year, and span 16 categories ranging from Best Newcomer to Best Kebab Van, as well as eight awards for the best kebab restaurants across different regions in the UK. Winners of each category will be announced at a glittering awards ceremony in February next year.

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British Kebab Awards: Four Sussex restaurants make it to the final

The British Kebab Awards take place in February and four Sussex restaurants are up for the top prize.

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The following restaurants have made it to the final of the British Kebab Awards: Istanbul Grill (Chichester), Ali Baba (South Downs), and two others.

Finalists from across the country will compete at the ceremony on February 28 2023.

The awards, run by the British Kebab Alliance, the sector's trade body, attracted record entries this year thanks to the efforts of local businesses.



British Kebab Awards: Four Sussex restaurants make it to the final

Other sponsors also include major players in the industry such as Beer, Deliverect, EatPlanted, Toast, and Kra.

Ibrahim Dogus, founder of the British Kebab Alliance, recently formed Kebab Alliance, said: "Kebab

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Two Dorset restaurants finalists in the British Kebab Awards

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TWO restaurants from Dorset have made it to the final of the British Kebab Awards.

One of the top prizes is for a popular price.

The British Kebab Awards are the efforts of local businesses.

Wesley Kitchen in Dorset is one of the year's award.

The restaurant, which food was founded in

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Ten Northern Ireland kebab shops in contention to be crowned country's number one



A kebab from The Sphinx in Strand Road

Kurtis Reid

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Ten of Northern Ireland's kebab shops are in contention to be crowned the country's number one.

Hoping to take a top prize is 'Istanbul Kebab' on the list. This is one of the other kebab

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London's best kebab shops for 2022 have been announced. The winners of the British Kebab Awards are in.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE KEBAB ALLIANCE

- SUPPORTERS OF THE BRITISH KEBAB AWARDS.



The Kebab Alliance hosted the annual Kebab Alliance Parliamentary Reception at the Houses of Parliament.

Kindly hosted by the Rt Hon Nadim Zahawi MP (then Chair of the Conservative Party), the reception saw more than 200 people from across the kebab industry come out in support of our sector.

We were honoured to hear speeches from Nadim Zahawi, Kebab Alliance Founder Ibrahim Dogus, Just Eat's Colette Bird, Kismet Kebab's Amird Devadasan and Lord John Mann.

The local kebab restaurant is a feature of nearly every community in our country, and more than 36% of the UK public have eaten a kebab in the last month.

But more than just a popular food, kebabs are an enduring symbol of British entrepreneurship and diversity, and an increasingly important part of the UK economy.

There are more than 20,000 kebab establishments in the UK, employing over 200,000 people and contributing £2.8 billion to the economy each year.

Through investment, jobs and, most of all, delicious food, the kebab restaurant has become a cornerstone of the Great British high street and an important contributor to our local economy.

Our success and challenges are a barometer of the strength of the high street, our concerns a window into the situation faced by retailers and small businesses up and down the country.

The Kebab Alliance is the voice of our industry, promoting our members' interests, driving standards and raising awareness of the important economic and cultural role of kebabs in the UK. The role of the Alliance will be to change traditional and stereotypical perceptions of kebabs and ensure a regulatory landscape that supports a thriving industry whilst also protecting the consumer.

Our members are made up of some of the leading names in the UK kebab industry, from national brands to award-winning local restaurants and suppliers. Our focus is on helping our members to grow their business, become more profitable and respond to challenging and changing market conditions.

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MEMBERS OF THE 12TH 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.



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.



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.



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 the most loved beer brands in the country.



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.



Nadhim Zahawi MP

Nadhim Zahawi is a Conservative Party politician who has been the Member of Parliament for Stratford-on-Avon since 2010.



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.



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.



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 Alton & Co.



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!



Dr Rosena Allin-Khan MP

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



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.



David Neal

David Neal is the Independent Chief Inspectors of Borders and Immigration. He reports to the Home Secretary on the effectiveness and the efficiency of the UK's borders and Immigration system. He is a retired Army Brigadier and former head of the Royal Military Police.



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.



Lucy Horobin

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



Llyod Russell-Moyle MP

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



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.



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.



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 12th 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 (Commons), and Shadow Minister of Levelling Up, Housing, Communities and Local Government

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 12th 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!



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