

NIFAC: Northern Ireland Food Advisory Committee

The Northern Ireland Food Advisory Committee acts as an independent advisory body to the Food Standards Agency. It is chaired by the Northern Ireland Board member. Its role is to advise the Agency on food safety and standards issues, with emphasis onto Northern Ireland.

NIFAC committee members

- [Anthony Harbinson \(Chair\)](#)
- [Cathal McDonnell](#)
- [Dr Lynne McMullan](#)
- [Ciaran McCartan](#)
- [Dr Janice McConnell](#)
- [Judith Hanvey](#)
- [Dr Michael Johnston](#)
- [David Torrens](#)

Meetings

Information about upcoming meetings and information from past meetings.

Upcoming meetings

Meetings are scheduled for:

- [22 April 2026](#)
- 10 June 2026
- 21 October 2026

Register your interest

If you would like to register your interest to attend any of these meetings, please email the [Northern Ireland admin team](#) confirming the date of the meeting you wish to attend.

Previous meetings

Agenda and papers for NIFAC meetings that took place on the following dates:

2026

- [4 February 2026](#)

2025

- [15 October 2025](#)
- [01 July 2025](#)
- [9 April 2025](#)
- [7 February 2025](#)

2024

- [18 October 2024](#)
- [23 April 2024](#)
- [31 January 2024](#)

2023

- [31 October 2023](#)
- [26 April 2023](#)
- [18 January 2023](#)

2022

- [10 November 2022](#)
- [28 June 2022](#)
- [26 April 2022](#)
- [26 January 2022](#)

2021

- [20 October 2021](#)
- [23 June 2021](#)
- [20 April 2021](#)
- [12 January 2021](#)

Archive

Find [previous meeting papers from 2016 to 2020](#) (National Archives)

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