

Lord Blencathra - FSA Board Member

Outlines the professional history of our Board Members and gives details of any business interests they may have in order to ensure transparency.



[Lord Blencathra](#) has been a Member of the House of Lords since 2011. He is the Chair of the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee, Vice Chair of the All Party Parliamentary Group for the Wine and Spirits Industry, and serves on the Council of Europe. He is also the Deputy Chair of Natural England.

Lord Blencathra was a Member of Parliament from 1983 to 2011 during which time he served as a Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food, the Department of the Environment and the Home Office.

[Restrictions on political activity while serving as a Board member of the Food Standards Agency.](#)

Personal Interests

Consultancies and/or direct employment

- Member of the House of Lords. Paid on a daily attendance basis.
- Deputy Chair of Natural England

- Board Member of the Community Interest Company, “Clean Streets”

Unpaid Roles:

- Board member of the Joint Nature Conservation Committee. Unpaid but my appointment to the JNCC is because I am the Deputy Chair of NE.
- Member of the House of Lords Liaison Committee.
- Vice Chair of the All Party Parliamentary Group for the Wine and Spirits Industry. Delegate to the Council of Europe. Unpaid but the House of Lords covers expenses and attendance.
- Chairman of the Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly, Panel of Expert Election Observers.

Fee-paid work:

- None

Shareholdings:

- None

Clubs and other organisations:

- Hon Vice President Penrith Agricultural Society.
- Member Penrith & The Border Conservative Association
- Member Westminster Conservative Association
- Member Association of Conservative Peers

Other personal interests:

- None

Fellowships

- None

Indirect support

- None

Trusteeships

- None

Land and property

- None

Other public appointments

- None

Non-personal interests

- None