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Plaid MEP showcases Welsh produce at European Parliament

Press release from Plaid Cymru MEP Jill Evans

Plaid MEP, **Jill Evans**, welcomed members of the Farmers' Union of Wales to the European Parliament in Brussels today to promote high quality Welsh produce.

She hosted the annual breakfast to showcase Welsh food and draw attention to the importance of an agricultural policy that continues to support Welsh farmers.

Speaking after the breakfast in the Parliament, Ms Evans said:

"Today was a good opportunity to show off some excellent Welsh farm produce to EU law makers and I was delighted that so many people accepted our invitation. Events like this ensure that Wales is known as a nation with first class agricultural and food industries.

"The horse-meat scandal has shaken consumer confidence. We can help restore that by bringing in laws on labelling that ensure food is what it claims to be on the packet, that people know where it comes from and that it is safe. I have campaigned for this but current rules do not apply to meat used as an ingredient in processed food."

Ms Evans continued:

"One positive result of the scandal is that people are taking a lot more interest in the food they buy and where they buy it. I welcome the fact that many people are buying more locally which will help agriculture, the economy and the environment."

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