

Fiona Richmond has been actively promoting and supporting quality food and drink production for more than 12 years. She has worked with industry leadership body Scotland Food & Drink since 2009, firstly helping producers grow their business in food service and, in 2014, managed a project designed to maximise the opportunities for the food and drink sector arising from the major events of the year including Commonwealth Games and Ryder Cup. Her current role is to co-ordinate industry involvement in the Year of Food and Drink 2015.

Fiona previously worked with the Slow Food movement, including a period in the international headquarters in Italy, co-ordinating the membership and projects in the UK, and remains an active committee member with the Edinburgh group. In addition, she is a member of the Soil Association and is a Scottish representative on the national Food for Life Catering Mark standards committee, and a member of Edinburgh's initiative to make the capital Scotland's first Sustainable Food City.

With an honours degree in Sociology and a Masters in Social Research Methods, Fiona has held posts in the public and voluntary sectors including the Jersey Government. She is passionate about Scottish food and drink culture and preserving the country's superb larder and rich culinary traditions.

