

Press release

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## John Lewis chooses Brakes as its foodservice partner

John Lewis has appointed the Brakes Group, the premiere foodservice provider, to supply food to their John Lewis customer restaurants as well as their partner restaurants.

With the spirit of partnership integral to John Lewis they are working closely with Brakes and have developed a bespoke supply chain solution guaranteeing excellent service levels. John Lewis are delighted with the range of specialist businesses within the Brakes Group including Pauleys, M&J Seafood and Prime Meats and are confident to source all requirements from these recognised specialists. Brakes Development Chefs have worked with John Lewis to guarantee an exceptional eating experience for their customers and partners.

Joe Teixeira Head of Catering for John Lewis commented “Brakes have delivered a totally seamless transition from our old supplier and I am convinced this has not only been due to the professionalism and commitment of their people but also their obsession with understanding how our business works and how they can provide a bespoke offer for John Lewis and our customers”.

John Lewis has also been reassured by Brakes ‘peace of mind guarantees’ including full traceability, food integrity and quality of all products delivered to John Lewis and continue to work closely together to maximise the opportunity going forward.

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## Notes to editors

1. Brakes is the leading supplier to caterers in the UK and France, with a turnover in excess of £1.6billion. Its strong understanding of the needs of the catering industry, combined with innovation in both products and service, has seen Brakes develop into the leading foodservice solutions provider. Brakes is also a significant supplier to the foodservice marketplace in France.

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