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CONNECT... The BEST Caterer For You!



Connect Is The Top Contract Caterer in The Sunday Times 100 Best Companies To Work For 2017!



From left to right: Jonathan Austin, Kate Bendall, Jane Griffiths and Louise Laver.

We are delighted to celebrate **18th place** in The Sunday Times 100 Best Companies To Work For. We are constantly reviewing and refining our processes and standards to ensure Connect stays in the top spot!

Connect's **values** are clear and concise:

People – Training and support for all staff

Value – Freshly made food, locally sourced

Quality – Excellent customer service

We have an appetite for training and developing every employee to achieve their maximum potential; this is fundamental to our success in The Sunday Times nationally recognised engagement survey. Connect understand that **happy and engaged employees outperform expectations every time** and deliver the best food and service.

With two sisters as Joint Managing Directors, we value the importance of family. Kate Bendall and Louise Laver are daughters of John Herring, who founded Connect Catering in 1989.



Stir-Fry Beef with Noodles by Nigel Simmonds, Chef Manager



Malt Chocolate Cheesecake by Melanie Wilkinson, Catering Manager

“We are delighted that for a fifth consecutive year Connect has achieved a placing in the top 20 – sustaining such success is a great accomplishment. Our aim is always to deliver a fresh, vibrant and professional service for our clients, making a good service even better!”

Kate Bendall, Joint Managing Director

We also value the importance of staff engagement and scored highly in motivating our employees to give their best every day. Our strength is that we never stand still; we are constantly innovating and introducing new ideas and promotions to ensure each unique client has a vibrant, value for money service.

As unemployment figures fall in the UK, we understand that a firm focus on employee engagement not only attracts quality staff, we also retain quality catering teams.

Our people are one of our most important ingredients. We empower our chefs to create menus to delight our customers every day. Our passion for fresh food is the backbone of Connect's sustainable purchasing practices.

“We understand that our people are our greatest asset. We invest in their talent and passion, more importantly; we engage and commit to our teams, to our customers and to our clients.”

Louise Laver, Joint Managing Director



Thai Seabass with Lemongrass by Mike Collins, Chef Manager

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Clare McIvor, Pastry Chef

“When Connect took on the management of this site, my role was redefined and focussed directly on my abilities, experience and talent. I was consulted about the hours I worked to fit with my home life as well as the kitchen!”