



P&SC ANNUAL LUNCHEON 2026

The Annual Luncheon was held in the Cholmondeley Room, House of Lords on Tuesday 30th June, and hosted by the President, Viscount Stansgate. The Guest Speaker was Professor Liz Bentley, Chief Executive of the Royal Meteorological Society.

A Vote of Thanks was proposed by the Chair, Sam Carling MP.

This key event in our calendar was generously sponsored by Applied Microbiology International whose Chief Executive, Lucy Harper, also spoke at the Lunch.



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OUR IMPACT



108

countries
worldwide
with active
members



122

grants
awarded last
year, with
total funding
of £250,000



250+

members
contributed
to 29 policy
engagement
initiatives in 2025

DRIVING GLOBAL POLICY & SCIENTIFIC PROGRESS

We are actively contributing expertise to key international challenges, including:

- Improving UK soil health
- Exploring bacteriophages as alternatives to antimicrobials
- Analysing global antimicrobial resistance (AMR) policy developments

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- Journal of Applied Microbiology
- Letters in Applied Microbiology

SUPPORTING THE GLOBAL MICROBIOLOGY COMMUNITY

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