

Foodbuy UK appoints new Managing Director

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Compass Group UK & Ireland is pleased to announce the appointment of Karl Atkins as the new Managing Director for Foodbuy – the largest procurement service provider in the UK.

Karl will be focused on continuing to provide great quality products and services to its clients and customers, as well as working with suppliers to support with the delivery of the company's ambition to achieve Climate Net Zero by 2030.

Karl has been with Foodbuy for the past 3 years in the Chief Operating Officer role – where his focus has been supporting the growth of Foodbuy's external client business. He previously held commercial leadership roles with Coca-Cola European Partners and Britvic, after 6 years in Compass, covering sourcing and category management leadership roles. Prior to that, Karl spent several years in grocery retail in a number of different commercial and supply chain roles.

Robin Mills, Managing Director, Compass Group UK & Ireland commented: "Karl has a great knowledge of both Compass and Foodbuy and brings an excellent track record in purchasing and supply chain. In light of the economic environment we are operating in, Foodbuy has never been more important to our business. Our Foodbuy team continues to work hard to deliver great products and services for our clients and customers."

Karl Atkins added: "I am delighted to be taking on the MD role in Foodbuy. I am passionate about our purchasing and supply chain and delivering great value for money to the clients we currently work with, and I am excited to lead our growth agenda to unlock more added value opportunities for new clients. We have a great supplier community and I am looking forward to working with them, not only in relation to

identifying great products, but also with the delivery of more sustainable solutions too.”

Karl Atkins replaces Ian Murphy who left the business in April 2022.

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