

## Lexington Catering Promotes Steven Snowdon to Culinary Director

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Leading business and industry (B&I) contract caterer [Lexington Catering](#) has promoted Steven Snowdon to culinary director, strengthening its senior culinary leadership team as the business evolves its food offer across B&I, hospitality and events.

In his new role, Snowdon will lead culinary strategy across Lexington, ensuring teams are equipped with the tools, frameworks and support needed to deliver consistently high standards across retail, hospitality and events. He will also continue to drive innovation and skills development across the business. Snowdon will report to Jon Lilley, head of culinary for B&I and Lexington Independents, as part of Lexington's ongoing investment in food quality, consistency and culinary talent development.

Snowdon's promotion follows a period of strong industry recognition, including being named Development Chef of the Year at the 2026 Contract Catering Awards for his leadership, creativity and commitment to developing people across the sector.

Joining Lexington in 2022 as lead development chef, Snowdon progressed to group development chef in 2025. Working closely with operational chefs, clients and suppliers to deliver high quality and commercially robust food propositions at scale, he has played a central role in shaping food standards throughout the business.

Prior to joining Lexington, Snowdon held senior roles with The Tom Kerridge Group, alongside opening restaurants and pop-ups internationally. His experience spans high-end hospitality, contract catering and global consultancy work, including projects in Japan, the Philippines and Singapore. He is also widely recognised for his passion for mentoring and supporting the next generation of chefs.

Jon Lilley, head of culinary for B&I and Lexington Independents, said: “Steven has already made a significant impact at Lexington and this promotion reflects his combination of creative flair with strong operational understanding, essential for shaping our food strategy going forward.”

Sean Ritson, managing director of Lexington Catering said: “Steven’s promotion is a reflection of his exceptional talent. As we continue to evolve our offer across B&I, hospitality and events, having strong, visionary leadership in place is essential. Steven brings a clear passion for quality, innovation and people development, which will be key to delivering the next phase of our growth.”

Commenting on his appointment, Steven Snowdon added: “Lexington has a hugely talented culinary community and I’m proud to take on this role at such an exciting time for the business. My focus will be on supporting our chefs to do what they do best – delivering food that excites clients and guests, while continuing to build a strong culture of development, creativity and high standards.”