

LACA SPRING BUSINESS SEMINAR

Friday 9 March 2018

Venue: **Stratford Manor Hotel**,
Stratford upon Avon, Warwickshire CV37 0PY



SEMINAR PROGRAMME

- 0900** Arrival, registration and coffee
- 0930** **Welcome and update**– Neil Porter, Chair of Events Group, LACA Ltd
Aims of the day – Tim Blowers, LACA National Chair
- 0945** **Graduate Presentation** to Jason Gillard, Catered; Bridget McCulla, South Tyneside; and Ray Vincent, Cardiff Council.
Presented by Beverley Baker and Tim Blowers, LACA
- 1000** **NSMW 25th Anniversary**
Nigel Argyle to introduce the plans for 2018's National School Meals Week which this year celebrates its 25th Anniversary.
- 1015** **LACA Research Presentation**- following the official launch of the LACA/EPI UIFSM research, Natalie Perera, Executive Director and Head of Research at the Education Policy Institute will present the key research findings.
- 1045** Coffee break
- 1115** **LACA Research** – the political dimension. Tim Blowers in discussion with Lee Petar and Joel Roberts (Oakhill Communications) on the potential political impact of the LACA/EPI UIFSM research for LACA and the School Food Industry as a whole.
- 1130** **Industry Panel** - an expert panel will share their views on the opportunities and challenges facing the School Food industry identified in the LACA/EPI UIFSM research. Delegates will also have the opportunity to question the panel as they debate and define the key issues that will impact the service both now and in years to come. Panellists:
James Bielby, Chief Executive, FWD
Dr Michael Nelson, Director, PHN Research Ltd
Darren Byford, Food Business Manager, YPO
Tim Blowers, LACA National Chair
- 1215** **Interview with LACA School Chef of the Year winner** - David Foad, Editor of Cost Sector Catering interviews the School Chef of the Year 2018. Update on competition plans for 2019 – Neil Porter, Chair of LACA Events Group
- 1230** **Lunch**
- 1315** **Event Ends**