

I am a keen food grower, and involved with a couple of volunteer organisations promoting the growing of food at home. The increased number of extreme weather events means that for us, just like for others in the agricultural sector, food growing becomes difficult and expensive. It is further complicated by hosepipe bans during drought situations, in spite of the fact that home growers use less water for the same output than their commercial counterparts.

With the direct experience of food growing, I am extremely concerned about food security for our nation (and the world) with increasing climate change. I am especially concerned as modern farming practices, forced on farmers by large and powerful food buyers and government regulations, are detrimental to the soil and ecological systems that could help combat the effects of climate change.

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