

## **Gender Pay Gap Report 2021**

Large UK companies employing 250 people or more are required to report on their gender pay gap.

As a large Scottish employer and quality meat product manufacturer, we welcome this initiative as UK business seeks to tackle the gender pay gap that exists today.



All UK businesses 7.9%

Scotbeef 8.6% For all UK businesses the average hourly earnings are 7.9% lower for women than men.

In our business we currently have a gap of 8.6%.

We have made some progress and remain aware that we have more progress to make. Our business will look to improve our gender pay gap further over the coming years by focusing on the key activities that will drive improvements within our people plan.

Scotbeef Ltd, as a legal entity, employs in excess of 250 colleagues across 6 sites: meat processing factories at Queenslie, East Kilbride, Wolverhampton, Telford, Heysham and an abattoir at Bridge of Allan The data reports collectively across the 6 sites.

The majority of our colleagues are factory production line based and historically the meat industry has been male dominated with it's butchery focused operations. Together with long service from colleagues and a low turnover of staff, such an imbalance will take time and concerted industry wide effort to address, however in 2021 we have seen an increase in both the overall number of female colleagues and their representation in the top three quartiles, with a reduction in the lowest quartile.

Within management and support functions there are a variety of technical and professional roles available, attracted from a broader range skill set and therefore gender ratios are more balanced.

The company does not operate a traditional bonus scheme, but has made discretionary payments to recognise exceptional performance, when evident...

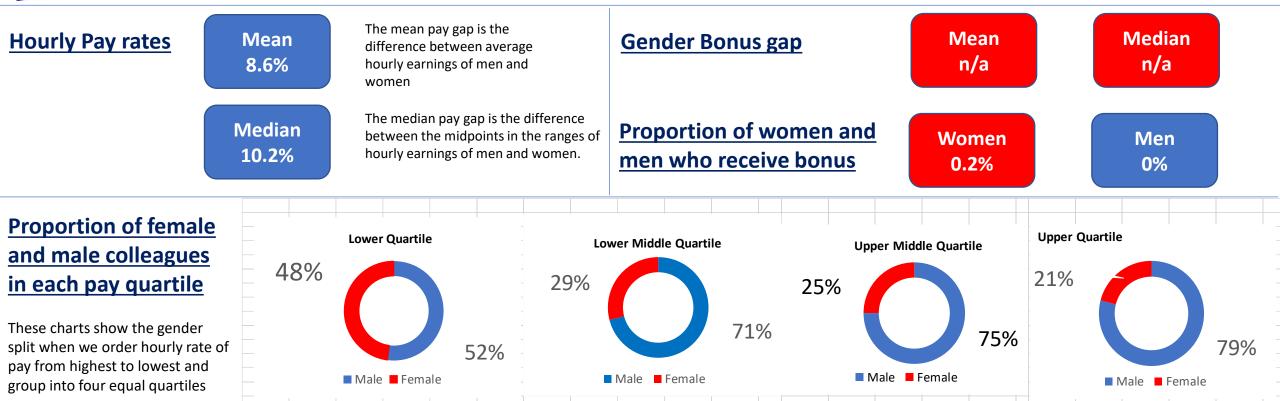
We can confirm that our data is accurate

Tony Kirkbright Gladys Caldwell

Finance Director Commercial Director



## **Gender Pay Gap Report 2021**



## **Our Key Actions**

- The percentage of females in the middle and upper quartiles has increased in the year whilst the percentage in the lower quartile has reduced and we will continue to drive this improvement by:-
- Growing our talent acquisition networks
- Expanding our colleague development programmes available for key talent.
- Further develop our links with our community to promote understanding of our industry and it's career opportunities.