

## SQUEEZE ANNOUNCE 'FOOD FOR THOUGHT' EP

PROFITS TO INDEPENDENT UK FOOD BANKS

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# **FOOD FOR THOUGHT UK TOUR STARTS OCTOBER 28 2022** WITH VERY SPECIAL GUEST DR JOHN COOPER CLARKE



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October 24th 2022. As they prepare to embark on their 'Food For Thought' 25 date UK tour, British music legends Squeeze announce the release of a new six track EP on November 4th 2022. The title track, 'Food For Thought', is a brand new song written by Chris Difford and Glenn Tilbrook, that is a pithy commentary on society, the cost of living crisis, and the increasing reliance on food banks.

> Robert waits for his turn no fuss The wage he earns is not enough

It's simply a disgrace Their needs cannot be met Food for thought we're not done yet 'Food For Thought' lyrics here

"It's terrible and wrong that so many people have no choice other than the help that food banks provide to feed their family. That there are so many people who have to choose between food and heating is a disgrace," said Glenn Tilbrook.

Also included on the EP are new recordings of 'The Very First Dance' and 'Electric Trains' as well as live recordings of 'In Quintessence', 'Slap and Tickle' and 'The Day I Get Home' recorded at the Liverpool Philharmonic.

Profits from the EP, which will be released digitally and sold on CD at the shows, will go to Independent UK food banks.

#### TOUR WILL SUPPORT ANTI-POVERTY CHARITY THE TRUSSELL TRUST

In addition to the donations to independent foodbanks from the EP, Squeeze are also continuing their relationship with the anti-poverty charity The Trussell Trust. Throughout the tour Squeeze and their fans will once again be supporting the charity which



provides emergency food and support to people locked in poverty while campaigning for change to end the need for food banks in the UK.

"It's so sad that in these times people have to lean on local food banks to feed their families, please support The Trussell Trust by offering as much as you can afford and enjoy the music we have created" said co-founder Chris Difford.

Right now, millions of people across the country are facing a cost of living crisis as food and energy prices soar and families are feeling the biggest squeeze on incomes in a generation. That's why attendees on the tour are being invited to bring along food donations to the shows, where there will be collection points across the venue each night. There will also be collection buckets for any cash donations. All donations will be distributed to people in crisis across the 1,300 food bank centres in the Trussell Trust network. Here is a link to information on the items that are requested: <a href="https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-involved/ways-to-give/donate-food/">https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-involved/ways-to-give/donate-food/</a>. Previous tours by Squeeze and Glenn Tilbrook have raised tonnes of food and thousands of pounds for the charity.

Emma Revie, CEO of The Trussell Trust, said "The cost of living crisis is impacting all of us, but for people on the lowest incomes it means they cannot afford the essentials such as heating or food. We are extremely grateful to Squeeze and all of their fans for kindly donating to the Trussell Trust from their tour, their generosity will help us ensure that food banks across the UK are able to continue delivering vital support this winter."

The 25-date 'Food For Thought' tour, which includes a hometown show at Indigo At The O2, will see Squeeze dip into their impressive list of hits and rare gems from throughout their extensive back catalogue. Joined by very special guest and original 'people's poet' Dr John Cooper Clarke, tickets are on sale now via <a href="https://www.gigsandtours.com">www.gigsandtours.com</a> and <a href="https://www.gigsandto



Squeeze first formed in 1973, shortly after Chris Difford and Glenn Tilbrook had begun their songwriting partnership. By 1977 they had made their recording debut and enjoyed a string of hits, establishing the band as not just a passing footnote in newwave history, but as an important and vital part of quintessential British music. Following solo careers, the Ivor Novello Award-winning duo reunited in 2007 to relaunch Squeeze



and have been touring, writing and recording together ever since, returning to the UK album charts and airwaves with 2015's Cradle To The Grave and 2017's The Knowledge.

Over the last few years Squeeze have been touring extensively, most recently in the USA with Daryl Hall and John Oates and with Madness on their UK Arena tour. Joining Squeeze on their UK tour is one of Britain's most outstanding poets - Dr John Cooper Clarke. His anarchic punk poetry has thrilled people for decades and his no nonsense approach to his work has seen his career spanning cultures, audiences, art forms and continents. Dr John Cooper Clarke will take you on an incredible journey with pieces from the new book, poems (old and new) and his usual musings, off the wall chat, riffs, gags and wicked humour.

This comes after the bard of Salford embarked on his 'I Wanna Be Yours' tour, based on his memoir, released by Picador. This explored his extraordinary life, filled with remarkable personalities: from Nico to Chuck Berry; Bernard Manning to Linton Kwesi Johnson; Elvis Costello to Gregory Corso; Mark E. Smith to Gil Scott Heron and Joe Strummer and on to more recent fans and collaborators like Alex Turner, Plan B and Guy Garvey.

Tickets for Squeeze are on sale now via <u>www.gigsandtours.com</u> and <u>www.ticketmaster.co.uk.</u>

### Squeeze Food For Thought UK Tour



Fri	28 Oct 22	Cambridge Corn Exchange
Sat	29 Oct 22	Oxford New Theatre
Mon	31 Oct 22	Glasgow Royal Concert Hall
Tue	01 Nov 22	Newcastle O2 City Hall
Wed	02 Nov 22	Harrogate Convention Centre
Fri	04 Nov 22	Sheffield City Hall
Sat	05 Nov 22	Manchester O2 Apollo
Mon	07 Nov 22	Liverpool Philharmonic Hall
Tue	08 Nov 22	Liverpool Philharmonic Hall
Wed	09 Nov 22	Edinburgh Usher Hall
Fri	11 Nov 22	Nottingham Royal Concert Hall
Sat	12 Nov 22	Birmingham Symphony Hall



Sun	13 Nov 22	Birmingham Symphony Hall
Tue	15 Nov 22	Llandudno Venue Cymru Theatre (Beautiful Landing not John Cooper Clarke)
Thu	17 Nov 22	Swansea Arena
Fri	18 Nov 22	Cardiff St David's Hall
Sat	19 Nov 22	London Eventim Apollo
Mon	21 Nov 22	Southampton O2 Guildhall
Tue	22 Nov 22	Bath Forum
Wed	23 Nov 22	Torquay Princess Theatre
Thu	24 Nov 22	London Indigo at The O2
Sat	26 Nov 22	Brighton Centre
Sun	27 Nov 22	Bournemouth Pavilion Theatre
Tue	29 Nov 22	Guildford G Live
Wed	30 Nov 22	Southend Cliffs Pavilion

#### **EP tracklisting**

- 1 Food For Thought
- 2 The Very First Dance
- 3 Electric Trains
- 4 In Quintessence (recorded at the Liverpool Philharmonic)
- 5 Slap and Tickle (recorded at the Liverpool Philharmonic)
- 6 The Day I Get Home (recorded at the Liverpool Philharmonic)

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