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DWP to promote Brexit 'career opportunities' in fruit picking to stop food rotting in fields again

Produce has gone unpicked after EU migrant workers stayed away

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The government is to promote "career opportunities" in picking fruit and vegetables in an attempt to stop produce going unharvested on British farms, a minister has said.

A shortage of seasonal agricultural labour prompted largely by Brexit saw crops rotting in the fields last year after EU workers stayed away – with UK farmers losing millions of pounds.

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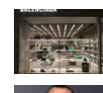
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