# ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE MICROBIOLOGICAL SAFETY OF FOOD

### VIRTUAL MEETING (MICROSOFT TEAMS)

The ninety-seventh meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Microbiological Safety of Food will be held at 1.00 pm on 22 October 2020. Virtual meeting (Microsoft Teams). Open to members of the public.

#### AGENDA

- 1. Chair's introduction
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Declaration of interests
- 4. Minutes of the 96<sup>th</sup> meeting (ACM/MIN/96)

Members will be invited to approve ACM/MIN/96 as a correct record of the Committee's 96<sup>th</sup> meeting.

5. Matters arising (ACM/1337)

The Secretariat has produced an information paper summarising action taken on points arising from the minutes of previous meetings.

6. Horizon Scanning Workshop Output (ACM/1338)

The Committee will consider the finalised version of the output from the June horizon scanning workshop.

7. Review of the ACMSF report on vacuum packaging and associated processes (ACM/1339)

The Committee will discuss the subgroup on non-proteolytic C. botulinum and vacuum and modified atmosphere packaged foods recommendation for the above report published in 1992 to be reviewed and to identify priority areas of work for consideration.

8. Epidemiology of Foodborne Infections Group (ACM/1340)

Dr Paul Cook will update Members on the outcome of the EFIG meeting held on 6 October 2020.

9. STEC Research in Scotland (ACM/1341)

The Committee will receive a presentation from Food Standards Scotland on STEC research in Scotland.

### 10. Committee update

- Ad Hoc Group on incidents
- Working Group on AMR
- Surveillance Working group

## 11. Dates of future meetings (ACM/1342)

- 12. Any other business
- 13. Public Questions and Answers

Members of the public present will be invited to ask any questions they may have about the Committee and/or to make any statements.

## Information papers

ACM/1323: TBEV: draft risk assessment in relation to food ACM/1343: Annual update on the FSA's Antimicrobial resistance programme ACM/1344: ACMSF Work plan ACM/1345: Update from other committees ACM/1346: Items of interest from the literature ACM/1347: Risk assessment: coronavirus risk to UK consumers via shellfish and crops grown on land treated with sewage sludge ACM/1348: Risk Assessment: risk of food or food contact materials and surfaces being a source or transmission route of SARS-CoV-2 for UK consumers?

ACM/1349: FAO guide to ranking food safety risks at national level