

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE MICROBIOLOGICAL SAFETY OF FOOD  
UPDATES FROM OTHER COMMITTEES**

**Advisory Committee on Animal Feedingstuffs (ACAF)**

The ACAF met on 15 February when the following topics were discussed:

- Use of algae as animal feed
- Feed additives
- An update on formaldehyde
- Raw pet food
- An update on FSA preparations on the UK's exit from the European Union

A [report](#) of the meeting can be found on the ACAF website.

The next meeting of the Committee will be on 28 June.

**Advisory Committee for Social Science (ACSS)**

The first meeting of the newly formed [ACSS](#) will be on [15 May](#), in Clive House. The main focus will be on welcome and introductions as well as planned work items on risk communication, the application of behavioural science to the work of FSA and reviewing the FSA Food and You survey. Minutes will be published on the website shortly afterwards. It will be an open meeting so all are welcome to attend.

**Committee on Toxicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products and the Environment (COT)**

The COT will be meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> May in London. Items on the draft agenda include:

- Potential toxicological risks from electronic nicotine (and non-nicotine) delivery systems (e-cigarettes):
  - Toxicological review of the main constituents, propylene glycol (PG) and vegetable glycerine (VG, glycerol)
  - Additional information on reports describing the presence of silicon/silicates in the aerosol of E(N)NDS
- A presentation by Professor Boobis on the Risk Assessment in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (RISK21) approach

- A presentation by David Gott on risk assessment of regulated products.  
**Reserved Business**
- second draft statement on potential risks from methylmercury in the diet of infants age 0 to 12 months and children aged 1 to 5 years.

**Secretariat**  
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