

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE MICROBIOLOGICAL SAFETY OF FOOD

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 23 SEPTEMBER 2010 MEETING AND
MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The attached schedule records action taken on matters arising from the Committee's seventy-third meeting held on 23 September 2010. Outstanding action points from earlier meetings are also updated in this paper.

**Secretariat
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RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN ON MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SEVENTY-THIRD MEETING (ACM/MIN/73) AND ACTIONS OUTSTANDING FROM EARLIER MEETINGS

ACM/MIN/ 73 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
4.1	<p>Minutes of 72nd meeting</p> <p>Members approved minutes as a correct record of meeting. Secretariat asked to arrange for the minutes to be placed on the website.</p>	Actioned.
8.4	<p>The Isolation of <i>Campylobacter</i> spp. from food and environmental samples</p> <p>The Committee agreed to submit paper on the isolation of <i>Campylobacter</i> spp from food and environmental samples.</p>	Actioned. Secretariat has forwarded paper to the FSA.
9.4 and 9.5	<p><i>Mycobacterium bovis</i>: possible health risks from pasteurised milk and milk products</p> <p>Secretariat requested to check if there was recent evidence of “D” and “Z” values for High Temperature Short Time treatment of milk.</p>	Actioned.
13.3	<p>Horizon scanning</p> <p>Mr Kyriakides, Professor McDowell, Mr Bassett and Ms Buller were asked to have a brainstorming session to discuss the horizon scanning topics in more detail and report back to the Committee with concrete proposals.</p>	Actioned. ACM/1007 has been circulated to Members. Paper will be introduced by Mr Kyriakides.
14.4	<p>ACMSF response to the Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP) risk assessment on the use of source segregated compost in agriculture</p> <p>ACMSF Chair requested that the broad conclusions presented by Mr Bassett when he introduced the Committee’s response should be summarised and added to the paper that would be forwarded to WRAP.</p>	Actioned. Mr Bassett provided summary which was added to response forwarded to WRAP.

ACTION POINTS CARRIED FORWARD FROM PREVIOUS ACMSF MEETINGS		
ACM/MIN/ 72 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
10	<p>Foodborne Viral Infections</p> <p>The Committee agreed to set up a sub group to review foodborne viral infections to be Chaired by Professor David Brown. The group's terms of reference that should cover all aspects which impacted on food would be agreed by the Committee.</p>	<p>Actioned. The group met on 26 November 2010. Professor Brown will provide an update under agenda item 13 which will cover group's terms of reference.</p>

ACM/MIN/ 71 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
11.4	<p>Openness</p> <p>The Committee noted the FSA's move to more openness. The FSA and Secretariat were requested to consider the practicalities of making subgroup meetings open.</p>	<p>Actioned. ACM/1012 has been circulated to Members. Paper will be introduced by Dr Sophie Rollinson.</p>

ACM/MIN/ 68 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
6.4	<p>Microbiological status of ready-to-eat foods</p> <p>HPA to provide an update on the microbiological status of ready-to-eat foods at a future meeting.</p>	<p>Actioned. ACM/1014 has been circulated to Members providing an update on outbreaks of infection associated with ready-to-eat foods.</p>
8.6	<p>Survey of <i>Listeria</i> in retail smoked fish</p> <p>FSA to revisit its advice on <i>Listeria</i> when more information from other surveys is published.</p>	<p>Work in progress. Outstanding FSA survey on <i>Listeria</i> is expected to be published in Spring 2011.</p>

ACM/MIN/ 67 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
7.7	IID Study FSA to provide an interim update to ACMSF on the IID2 project prior to its completion in 2010.	Work in progress. Update to be provided at a future meeting.