

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE MICROBIOLOGICAL SAFETY OF FOOD**

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 20 JANUARY 2011 MEETING AND  
MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The attached schedule records action taken on matters arising from the Committee's seventy-fourth meeting held on 20 January 2011. 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-FOURTH MEETING (ACM/MIN/74) AND  
ACTIONS OUTSTANDING FROM EARLIER MEETINGS**

<b>ACM/MIN/ 74 para</b>	<b>Topic and action required</b>	<b>Action taken</b>
4.1	<p><b>Minutes of 73<sup>rd</sup> meeting</b></p> <p>Members approved minutes as a correct record of meeting subject to a minor amendment to paragraph 18.1 to correct the accuracy of Mr Tom Miller's comments in the public questions and answer session. Secretariat asked to arrange for the minutes to be placed on the website.</p>	Actioned.
5	<p><b>Matter arising</b></p> <p>Concerning recent data on "D" and "Z" values for High Temperature Short Time treatment of milk, Ms Hoad agreed to provide the derived "D" values from the Kells &amp; Lear paper to Mr Kyriakides.</p>	Actioned. Paper was forwarded to Mr Kyriakides.
6.8	<p><b>Horizon scanning</b></p> <p>The Committee agreed the horizon scanning proposal as suggested by Mr Kyriakides, Professor McDowell, Mr Bassett and Ms Buller. To progress this subject members agreed that there may be the need to draw on the expertise from other FSA Scientific Advisory Committees (SAC). Members recommended that paper (ACM/1007) is submitted to the FSA.</p>	Work in progress. Secretariat liaising with other SAC secretariats and the FSA on taking forward ACMSF horizon scanning proposals.
7.6	<p><b>Raw Milk</b></p> <p>Following evidence presented by the FSA on the health risks to consumers associated with unpasteurised milk for direct human consumption, the Committee indicated that if data on changing sales routes is gathered (by the FSA) there may be a need to review the risks from raw drinking milk.</p>	Work in progress. FSA is currently considering the need for data on sales of raw drinking milk in light of the evolving market.

11.3	<p><b>Openness</b></p> <p>The Committee endorsed the secretariat's proposals on making the deliberations of ACMSF subgroups more transparent. Implementation was scheduled for the following subgroup meetings.</p>	<p>Actioned. A Webpage has been produced for ACMSF subgroups and can be found at:</p> <p><a href="http://acmsf.food.gov.uk/acmsfsubgroups/">http://acmsf.food.gov.uk/acmsfsubgroups/</a></p> <p>Meeting summaries are now published on this page. Information paper ACM/1029 refers.</p>
14	<p><b>Any other business</b></p> <p>The Department of Health published its white paper on the reorganisation of the health service in November 2010. As members raised concerns on this subject, the Chair suggested members send any comments they may have on the White paper to Professor Peter Williams and herself to produce a co-ordinated consultation response from the Committee.</p>	<p>No ACMSF response was forwarded on the White Paper as very few comments were received from members.</p>

**ACTION POINTS CARRIED FORWARD FROM PREVIOUS ACMSF MEETINGS**

<b>ACM/MIN/ 68 para</b>	<b>Topic and action required</b>	<b>Action taken</b>
8.6	<b>Survey of <i>Listeria</i> in retail smoked fish</b>  FSA to revisit its advice on <i>Listeria</i> when more information from other surveys is published.	Work in progress. Outstanding FSA survey on <i>Listeria</i> is expected to be published at a future meeting.

<b>ACM/MIN/ 67 para</b>	<b>Topic and action required</b>	<b>Action taken</b>
7.7	<b>IID Study</b>  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 September 2011 meeting.