

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE MICROBIOLOGICAL SAFETY OF FOOD

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 25 SEPTEMBER 2008 MEETING AND
MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The attached schedule records action taken on matters arising from the Committee's sixty-eighth meeting held on 25 September 2008. 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 SIXTY-EIGHT MEETING (ACM/MIN/68) AND ACTIONS OUTSTANDING FROM EARLIER MEETINGS

ACM/MIN/ 68 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
4.1	<p>Minutes of 67th meeting</p> <p>Members approved minutes as a correct record of meeting subject to amendment to paragraph 7.7 to reflect the Committee's request for an interim update on the IID2 study prior to its completion in 2010. Secretariat asked to arrange for the minutes to be placed on the website.</p>	Actioned.
5.1	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>FSA to provide an interim update to ACMSF on the IID2 project prior to its completion in 2010.</p>	Work in progress. Update to be provided at a future meeting.
6.4	<p>Microbiological status of ready to eat foods</p> <p>HPA to present an update on the microbiological status of ready to eat foods at a future meeting.</p>	Work in progress. Update to be provided at a future meeting.
7.6	<p>Report on listeria in the elderly</p> <p>Secretariat to include relevant medical Committees in the consultation circulation list.</p>	Actioned. Relevant medical Committees were included in the consultation circulation list. Report was published for public consultation in November 2008.
8.6	<p>Survey of listeria in retail smoked fish</p> <p>FSA to revisit its advice on listeria when more information from other surveys is published.</p>	Work in progress. Other FSA surveys on listeria are expected to be published in summer 2009.

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

ACM/MIN/ 65 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
7.5	<p>Egg Surveillance</p> <p>FSA to consider revising its advice on eggs to reflect the risks posed by vaccinated and unvaccinated eggs and cross contamination during storage and handling of shell and pooled eggs.</p>	Actioned. Egg advice has been revised. Editorial points are currently being finalised with FSA's Communications Division.

ACM/MIN/ 63 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
8.3	<p>Foodborne viral infections</p> <p>Committee to revisit the foodborne viral infections Report. Work will focus on food transfer rather than revisiting previously identified areas in the 1998 Report.</p>	Work in progress. This issue is marked forward for consideration at the June meeting.

ACM/MIN/ 62 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
13.2	<p>AoB</p> <p>EFIG to report back to ACMSF on outputs of national surveillance database at a future meeting.</p>	Actioned. EFIG received an update on this database in March 2009. See EFIG's update to the Committee (paper ACM/939 refers).

ACM/MIN/ 60 para	Topic and action required	Action taken
7.3	<p>Openness</p> <p>Secretariat to prepare paper on options for consideration by Members.</p>	<p>Work in progress. Paper to be provided at a future meeting.</p>
11.4	<p>Horizon scanning</p> <p>Members to consider agricultural and farm practices at a future meeting.</p>	<p>Consider at the next horizon scanning round in 2009.</p>