

AGENDA	
Meeting: Emerging Risks & Chemical Contaminants WG	
Date: Tuesday 25 February Time: 14.00-15.30	
Location: Teams	
Telephone: Teams – See calendar invite for details	

COMPETITION ISSUES

“Today we are meeting as members of the BRC. As a trade association, we take competition compliance seriously. Whilst discussions can cover matters of interest to our industry, we cannot discuss or exchange sensitive commercial information. If at any time during this meeting, you think our discussions may be in breach of competition rules, please inform the Chair. The Chair may close the meeting at any time if [s]he believes that discussions are in breach of competition rules”.

1.	14.00	Welcome, introduction and competition statement
2.	14.05	African swine fever update & Q&A – Katie Jarvis from the National Pig Association (NPA) will be joining to share any updates/insights on African Swine Fever, and a chance for any questions members may have.
3.	14.25	FSS/FSA signals horizon scanning – Matthew/Anne/Kasia will share emerging risks/latest signals in the UK. Note: if members wish to share any insights anonymously, please share to Devina ahead of the meeting.
4.	14.50	Precision breeding – Lydia from Defra is joining to provide a brief update on precision breeding.
5.	15.00	Additives update – Adam from the FSA will be sharing any updates on additives, including the final outcomes for the 4 nations on titanium dioxide and nitrates/nitrites.
6.	15.15	Food contact materials (FCM) update – Tim from the FSA will be sharing any updates on food contact materials, including the latest on BPA and any updates on PFAS in FCMs.
7.	15.30	AOB & Close

Notes for other updates:

- **Chemical contaminants** – Craig will share a readout ahead of the meeting. We've asked for information on the acrylamide data call as we hear work is progressing and they will be reaching out in due course.
- **Smoke flavourings** – the smoke flavourings are still in the risk assessment phase. The assessment will be in 2 phases – smoke flavourings with genotoxicity concerns will be unauthorised and any not in this would go to the 2nd part of the assessment. Until the FSA know the outcomes of these safety assessments they won't have anything new to share.
- **Food fraud & authenticity** – Devina attended part of the food authenticity conferences from 11th/12th February and can share a summary of notes ahead of the meeting, including a new publication on honey authenticity.
- **Novel foods** – We got in touch with Sonalika about the Novel Foods Expert Network (NFX UK) and share the attachment sent on more about the project. We've asked for any updates in the upcoming months.
- **Foot & Mouth Disease (FMD, Germany)** – the website has the latest briefing – see [here](#).
- **PFAS** – the briefing is to be updated in due course.
- **ABC/National Level Regulation (FSA)** – Devina attended the FSA's recent stakeholder events on data & regulation and alternative regulatory model, and will share a summary of notes ahead of the meeting.