

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE WELSH FOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Executive Summary

1. The attached report provides an update on the work of the Welsh Food Advisory Committee.
2. The Board is invited to **note** the report by the Chair of the Welsh Food Advisory Committee. **No action** is required.

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1. The Welsh Food Advisory Committee held a closed meeting on 9 May in Cardiff. This meeting was reported on at the May Board meeting in Nottingham.
2. The next meeting of the Advisory Committee, a closed session, will be held on 6 July 2007. The purpose of this meeting will primarily be preparation for the 19 July open Board meeting to be held in Cardiff. The WFAC meeting in July will be the first meeting to be chaired by the newly appointed Chair. Agenda items include a briefing session on the Regulatory Enforcement sanction Bill and the Compliance Code, a briefing session on BSE Testing Implementation Review group, and an update on the change from SRM supervision to a risk based approach.
3. The WFAC Chair visited the FSA offices in Wales during May to meet the secretariat and the Wales executive. On 7 and 8 June the Chairman attended a two day induction course at the Meat Hygiene Service. Additionally, he attended the FSA Parliamentary Reception on 12 June at the House of Commons.
4. The Chair has accepted an invitation to attend a VIP reception being held by Swansea City Council, on 21 June, to launch the 2007 Swansea Crucial Crew event. The event, coordinated by the local authority, involves all year six pupils within the local authority attending a one day training session where they will be informed on a range of safety issues including road safety, fire safety and community safety. The FSA Wales mobile exhibitional resource will be in attendance to inform the 2600 pupils on food safety issues.
5. The Committee Chair is to Chair a Food Standards Agency Wales Food and Well Being conference on 26 June, in Cardiff which will update major stakeholders in Wales on the outcome of an independent evaluation undertaken on the Food and Well Being strategy. Over 200 key stakeholders in Wales are expected to attend the event.

Forward Look

6. Please note that items listed are provisional, and are therefore subject to change.

Date	Venue	Agenda Items
6 July 2007	Closed meeting, Cardiff	Preparation for forthcoming Board discussions
6 Sept 2007	Open and closed meeting, Cardiff	Preparation for forthcoming Board discussions tbc