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Open Data and FSA Meat and Dairy Hygiene Operations – Proposed approach

Action:

Comments are invited **before Friday 17th March** on proposed publication approach FSA Field Operations and Operations Assurance Division datasets

Responses to this consultation should be sent to:

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MEAT AND DAIRY HYGIENE DATA

Introduction

1. This paper sets out the FSA Operations Directorate proposed approach to publishing the data sets relating to meat and dairy hygiene for which it is responsible and the timetable for that publication, whilst reflecting the commercial and privacy concerns of individual Food Business Operators and FSA staff.

2. Comments are invited on these proposals before Friday 17th March 2017

Background and Context

3. The Government Open Data White Paper published in June 2012 made clear its commitment to making data more freely available as part of its transparency agenda. This commitment was reinforced with the publication of the Government Transformation Strategy in February 2017, which includes an objective of making better use of data both for transparency and to better enable transformation across both government and private sectors.

4. In April 2016 the Food Standards Agency translated this government commitment into a target to publish 95% of all FSA datasets by 31st March 2017. At the end of quarter 3 of 2016/17 FSA has published 92 of 269 datasets (34%).

5. In developing their approach the FSA have agreed 3 underpinning open data principles:
 - (i) data is collected once, by the organisation that is best placed to assure its quality and completeness;
 - (ii) data is owned and maintained in a way that maximises its use and value (including ensuring value for money for taxpayers); and
 - (iii) data is made openly available at the most disaggregated level achievable whilst ensuring Information Governance best practice is maintained

Proposed Approach

6. Within FSA Field Operations and Operations Assurance, which covers all audit, inspection and enforcement activity in slaughterhouses and cutting plants; and dairy hygiene and wine inspection schemes we have identified 20 individual datasets.

7. After initial discussion with industry representatives we have produced the schedule attached at Annex 1, which lists the current 21 Operations datasets (extracted from the FSA Information Asset Register). For each entry we have included:
 - The title of the dataset
 - Whether it is currently published
 - An “openness rating”, which government use to give a simple indication of how well the dataset has been made open (link attached
http://guidance.data.gov.uk/five_stars_of_openness.html)
 - Proposed publication approach including level of data aggregation, description of data to be published, publication frequency and any additional actions to ensure data is appropriately anonymised
 - Proposed publication date

8. In developing these open data proposals in relation to FSA Field Operations and Operations Assurance Division datasets we believe we have struck the correct balance between transparency and protection of commercial interests both within UK markets and in competition for markets abroad. We have adopted levels of data aggregation, which also addresses welfare concerns of FBO and FSA staff. Individual plants and staff members will not be identifiable from the release of this data beyond what is already in the public domain.

9. Where the information from these datasets is already published or is subject to FOI provisions we believe that taking this more structured, planned approach to publication means we can manage the release more proactively and provide better context to assist public understanding and anticipate likely media interest

Conclusion

10. Comments are invited before **Friday 17th March** on these proposals before we proceed to publish to meet our government open data commitments.

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Information Asset Owner – Simon Dawson

No	Category	Dataset	Currently Published (Y/N)	Openness Rating (0-5)	Publication proposal	Proposed publication date
1	Field Operations Management	Milk and Dairies Inspection Scheduling Data	N	0	Retrospective publication of date premises inspected	24 th March 2017
2	Establishments	List of Registered Milk Production Holdings	N	0	For publication monthly as other premise data	24 th March 2017
3	Establishments	List of registered Milk Production Holdings additionally registered to produce RCDM	Y	3	For publication monthly as other premise data	Currently published
4	Field Operations Management	Ante-Mortem Post-Mortem Data	N	0	Anonymised data published – at a country level. Proposed that this is published monthly.	31 st March 2017
5	Field Operations Management	fci-ccir-iris-conditions- Poultry	N	0	Publish historical anonymised data monthly at a country level. Facility to allow individual plants to view own data in addition to national data	To be agreed
6	Field Operations Management	fci-ccir-iris-conditions– Pigs	N	0	Publish historical anonymised data monthly at a country level. Facility to allow individual plants to view own data in addition to national data	31 st March 2017 – subject to discussion at CCIR Taskforce Working Group on 9 th March
7	Field Operations Management	fci-ccir-iris-conditions- Sheep	N	0	Publish historical anonymised data monthly at a country level. Facility to allow individual plants to view own data in	To be agreed

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					addition to national data	
8	Field Operations Management	fci-ccir-iris-conditions– Cattle	N	0	Publish historical anonymised data monthly at a country level. Facility to allow individual plants to view own data in addition to national data	31 st March 2017 – subject to discussion at CCIR Taskforce Working Group on 9 th March
9	Field Operations Management	fci-ccir-iris-conditions– Other	N	0	<i>Condition lists to be agreed for deer, llamas, alpacas, guanacos, horses, asses & donkeys, Ostrich, Emu & Rhea, Small game in feather, farmed & feral hares and rabbits, small game in fur</i>	<i>To be agreed</i>
10	Field Operations Management	Enforcement Data - enforcement reports	N	0	Enforcement data published retrospectively after the appeal process has passed. Proposed that this is published quarterly.	31 st March 2017 – subject to acceptable level of aggregation and anonymity
11	Field Operations Management	Enforcement Data (Legal Action and Prosecutions)	N	0	Data published retrospectively after the appeal process has passed. Proposed that this is published quarterly.	31 st March – subject to acceptable level of aggregation and anonymity
12	Field Operations Management	Wine Standards Database	Y	0	Review presentation of data so that it meets data standards. Apply approvals principles.	Currently published
13	Field Operations Management	Contractor Key Performance Indicators	N	0	For publication quarterly after the contract notice period has expired.	31 st March 2017

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14	Field Operations Management	Animal Welfare Dataset	Y (in response to FOI)	0	Future proactive publication arrangements discussed at industry meeting on 20 th February 2017 – remains under consideration	To be agreed
15	Field Operations Management	FSA audits of approved meat establishments	Y	3		Currently published
16	Establishments	List of UK (FSA, FSS, LA approved food business establishments	Y	3		Currently published
17	Establishments	Laundry garments log	N	0	Publish quarterly at a lot level	23 rd March 2017
18	Field Operations Management	Slaughterer's Certificates of Competence	N	0	Anonymised data, 6 monthly total number licences issued nationally for both temporary and permanent licenses.	31st March 2017
19	Establishments	Premises approved for Poultry Inspection Assistant	N	0	Publish data bi-annually at a premise level	31st March 2017
20	Establishments	Poultry Inspection Assistant log	N	0	Publish anonymised data (i.e no. of PIAs) bi-annually at a premise level	31st March 2017

Total: 21 datasets – 6 currently published.