

# **Annual Report 2023 - Discussion Paper**

## **Committee Paper for Discussion - ACNFP/167/08**

### **Advisory Committee For Novel Foods and Processes**

#### **Annual Report**

#### **Issue**

The Committee issues a report, annually, outlining the work it has carried out in the preceding year. A draft of the 2023 report is attached for members comment and agreement (Annex A).

#### **Background**

1. The report includes links to the ACNFP website and 2023 meeting page leading readers to the agendas, minutes and non-reserved business committee papers for discussion from previous meetings.
2. The format remains as used last year with information on work carried out by the formed Products of Genetic Technology (PGT) and Cannabidiol and hemp derived products (CBD) subgroups included.
3. Following feedback from members on the 2022 report, new insights from members sections have been added, from two members, to provide greater depth to the reporting.
4. A link to the member interest's page on the ACNFP website has also been provided. If Members have any updates for this page, please can these be provided to the Secretariat so these can be updated.
5. The Food Standards Agency's Good Practice Guidelines contain a list of principles which each FSA Committee is asked to reconsider annually as part of

the preparation of its annual report. The Good Practice Guidelines are on page 33. Recognising the range of activities of the different Committees, the good practice document notes that not all the guidelines will apply to all Committees all of the time.

6. If Members are content, it is proposed that the text be finalised for publication.

## **Committee Actions Required**

- Members are asked to review the annual report and raise any comments or changes needed to ensure it is an accurate record of the work of the Committee and its subgroups in 2023.
- Members are also asked to consider the Committee's performance during 2023 against the Good Practice Guidelines and to suggest any areas where the ACNFP should review or adapt its working practices (pages 33-42).
- Members are requested to provide substantive comments on the report at the meeting. Any minor drafting points can be sent directly to the Secretariat.

ACNFP Secretariat

May 2024

## **Annexes**

Annex A – 2023 Annual Report