

## **External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee**

# **FOOD AND FEED SAFETY AND HYGIENE: PROVISIONAL COMMON FRAMEWORK**

### **Submission of written evidence by Hybu Cig Cymru – Meat Promotion Wales**

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Hybu Cig Cymru - Meat Promotion Wales (HCC) is the statutory industry-led levy organisation responsible for the development, promotion and marketing of Welsh lamb, beef and pork. It undertakes promotional campaigns at home and abroad, is involved in research and development which benefits the efficiency and sustainability of the whole red meat supply chain, as well as collating and analysing market intelligence.

HCC has been asked to comment on the provisional Common Framework for Food and Feed Safety and Hygiene.

The provisional Common Framework sets out proposed UK working arrangements in key policy areas for the post-transition period and we understand the Framework has been jointly developed by the UK government and devolved administrations. HCC has not however been involved in the development of this Framework.

HCC support the commitment of the Framework, to apply a common approach across the UK to principles, requirements and procedures that underpin decision-making in matters of food and feed safety. We also welcome the proposed flexibility for Government administrations to act within the framework to meet local needs and circumstances while delivering the same outcomes.

It is also essential that there is clear transparency and accountability within the Framework, with regular monitoring so that the needs of the Welsh red meat industry are fully taken into account.