

**Forty-ninth Meeting of
the Business Facilitation Advisory Committee**

***Agenda Item 4(c): Report on the work of the
Food Business and Related Services Task Force***

Purpose

This paper reports the work progress of the Food Business and Related Services Task Force (FRSTF) since the last Business Facilitation Advisory Committee (BFAC) meeting on 20 July 2022.

Work Progress of the FRSTF

Revision of the Licensing Condition on Displaying Permit Information for Restricted Food Permit (Online Sale of Restricted Food)

2. In the FRSTF meeting on 15 September 2022, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) briefed the FRSTF on the revision of the licensing condition on providing permit information for the restricted food permit (online sale of restricted food) (“permit”). The revised licensing condition requires the permit holders to display the permit information on the home page of the websites and the online platform accounts in a clear manner so that the public can access the permit particulars more easily. FEHD informed the permittees of the revision in writing by batches in October 2022. Subject to the implementation of the revised licensing condition, FEHD would proceed to arrange the same amendment for other premises holding food business licences or permits.

3. The FRSTF thanked the FEHD for briefing the trade on the revised licensing condition prior to implementation. This would enable the trade to better plan the preparation work to comply with the requirement.

Consultation of the Code of Practice for Delivery of Online Food Ordering and Delivery Platforms

4. The FEHD also consulted the FRSTF on the code of practice on take-away meal and meal delivery services (the Code), formulated in response to the increasing number of electronic food transactions and related food complaints/incidents. The Code contains general hygiene and food safety requirements for handling of meals ready for consumption for reference by

related business stakeholders (including food premises, online food platforms, food delivery agents and food deliverers) in providing food delivery service, so as to reduce the risk of foodborne diseases. FEHD plans to roll out the Code near the end of 2022.

5. The FRSTF thanked the FEHD for briefing and considered that the Code would facilitate the trade to define the responsibilities for concerned business stakeholders.

Way Forward

6. Members are invited to note the work progress of the FRSTF. The FRSTF will continue to monitor the development of the above issues.

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