The Food Information (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020

This note is prepared for Assembly Members following the decisions of the Business Committee on 27 March 2020 and 3 April 2020 regarding the temporary handling of statutory instruments laid before the Assembly.

Summary

The Food Information (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 amend the Food Information (Wales) Regulations 2014 (the “2014 Regulations”).

The 2014 Regulations make provision to enforce, in Wales, certain provisions of Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the provision of food information to consumers (“FIC”). FIC provides the legislative framework around the provision of food allergen information and allows for the introduction of national measures as to how information is to be made available for food that is prepacked for direct sale.

Beginning 1 October 2021, these amendment Regulations introduce a requirement for Food Business Operators to ensure that food that is prepacked for direct sale, whether supplied to a final consumer or to a mass caterer, must have the name of the food, a list of ingredients and allergen information, provided directly on the package or on a label attached to the package.

Procedure

Negative.

Further Points To Note

The following point is noted in respect of these Regulations.

1. Implications arising from exiting the European Union

The amended 2014 Regulations will form part of retained EU law after IP completion day (i.e. the end of the implementation period, on 31 December 2020).

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