

Appendix 1: City Corporation - Six Key Brexit Principles

The City Corporation has agreed and is promoting the following principles in relation to biosecurity and Brexit:

- The same, or an improved, level of consumer protection should be sought for public, animal and environmental health in terms of any proposed changes to regulatory controls after the UK leaves the EU.
- Any changes to the current legislation should be commensurate with the risk posed by different activities and trades, as it is recognised that some enforcement requirements could be streamlined.
- The UK should continue to recognise EU controls in order to avoid resourcing implications at the UK border; and this would **best** be done as part of a reciprocal agreement with mutual recognition, as this would be more sustainable politically, promote regulatory alignment, and facilitate UK-EU trade.
- Full cost recovery for local authorities and port health authorities to enforce relevant legislation is essential, and this should be extended to include those areas not already covered, particularly if they have to undertake additional controls as a result of Brexit.
- The current checks at UK and EU borders on third country imports should be maintained to facilitate free movement of goods within the EU, and between the EU and the UK, and the UK should maintain access to existing IT and rapid alert arrangements.
- To control public health and animal health risks effectively, and to prevent the potential spread of zoonosis, monitoring, checks and controls on high risk food, feed and animals should be undertaken at first point of entry into the UK, i.e. at its borders.