The UK animal feed sector – innovation, sustainability and Net Zero

Hybrid meeting - Wednesday 22 March, 5.15 – 6.30pm Meeting Room M, Portcullis House

Agenda

- 1. Chairman's welcome & introduction Julian Sturdy MP
- 2. Guest speakers:

James McCulloch, Head of Animal Feed, Agricultural Industries Confederation (AIC) Nick Major, Corporate Affairs Director, ForFarmers Keiran Whitaker, Founder, Entocycle John Knight, Technical Director, SugaRich

- 3. Questions & discussion
- 4. A.O.B.



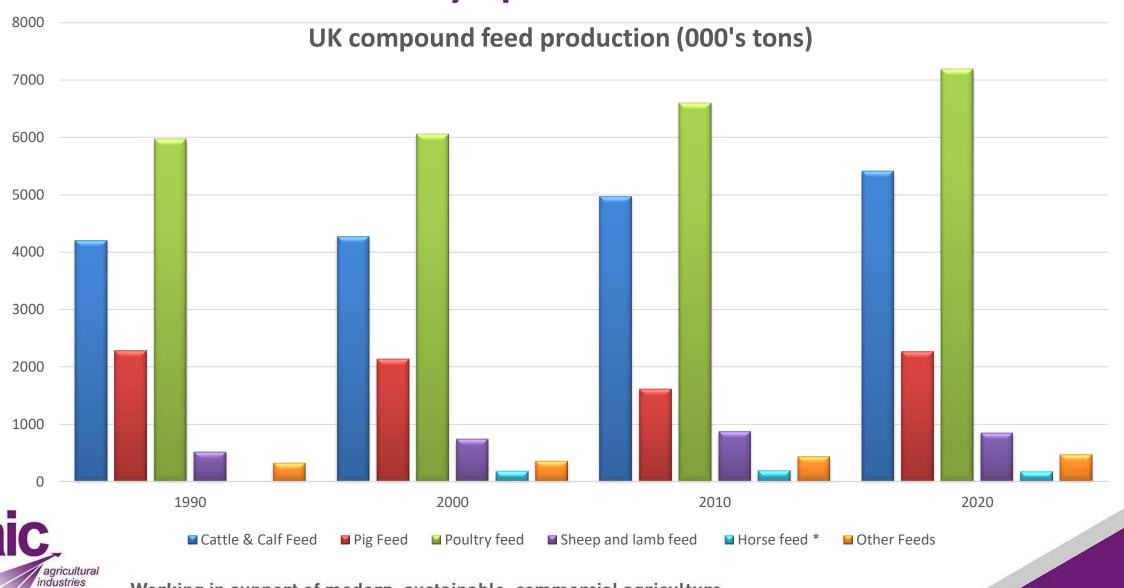
The AIC Sectors



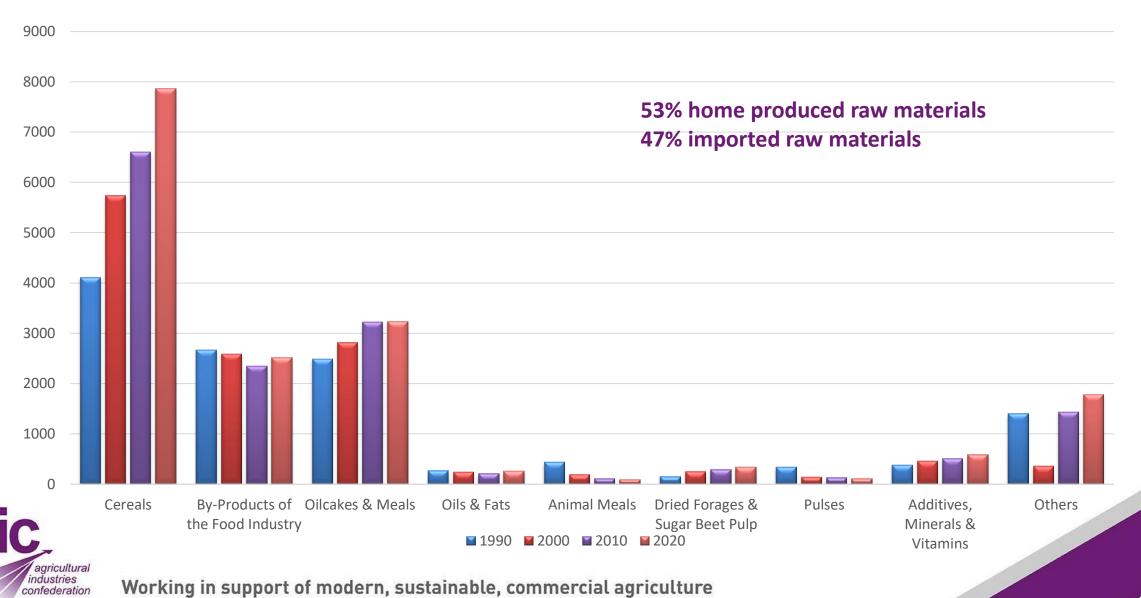


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UK Animal Feed Industry - production



UK Animal Feed Industry - raw material usage



Livestock production and feed footprint

Pork sector emissions

(carbon and land use footprints for UK pig production reported as Kg CO₂ eq/kg LW)

Poultry (meat) emissions

(carbon and land use footprints for UK poultry meat production reported as Kg CO₂ eq/1000kg edible meat)

Poultry (eggs) emissions

(carbon and land use footprints for UK egg production reported as Kg CO₂ eq/tonne eggs)

	Indoor	Outdoor
Feeda	2.1	2.1
Manure management and enteric methane	0.1	0.1
Electricity	0.1	0.3
Total	2.4	2.5

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Material or activity	Standard		Free range	Organic
Feed and water	3,140		3,690	4,080
Electricity	160		150	170
Gas and oil	430		340	310
Housing and land	530		780	1,030
Manure and bedding	140		160	80
Total	4,410		5,130	5,660
Material or activity	Cage*	Barn	Free range	Organic
Feed and water	2,100	2,220	2,360	2,410
Electricity	240	480	200	240
Gas and oil	90	140	180	180
Housing and land	380	480	500	540
Manure and bedding	110	130	140	60
Total	2,920	3,450	3,380	3,430



Source: CIEL

85%

72%

72%

Where will innovation come from?

Responsible sourcing of 'Forest Commodities' such as soyabean meal, palm oil and their derivatives.

The use of Co-Products from food and biofuel industry processing.

The use of Former Food products.

The use of additives such as amino acids, enzymes and methane inhibitors.

The future role of 'novel' protein streams from carbon capture, algae, insects etc.

The use of GFLI LCA database to measure these impacts and to pass on this information to farmers



Looking further ahead

Green energy and feed production

Blockchain

Robotics

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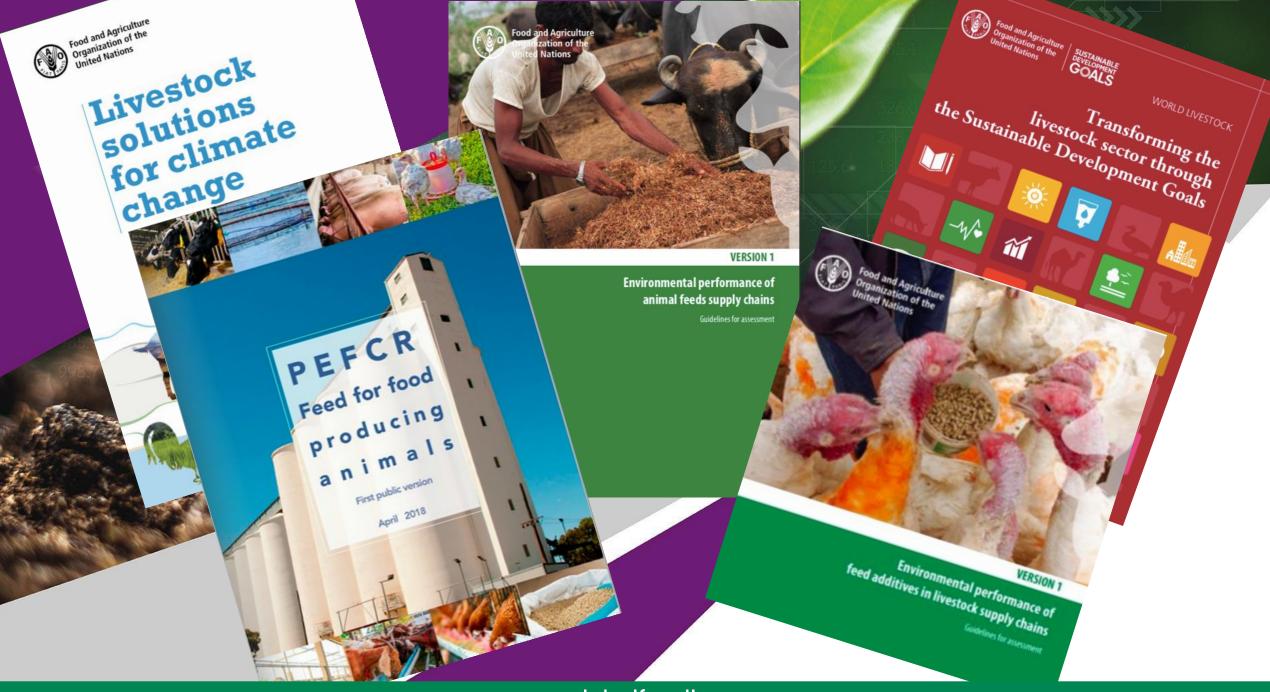
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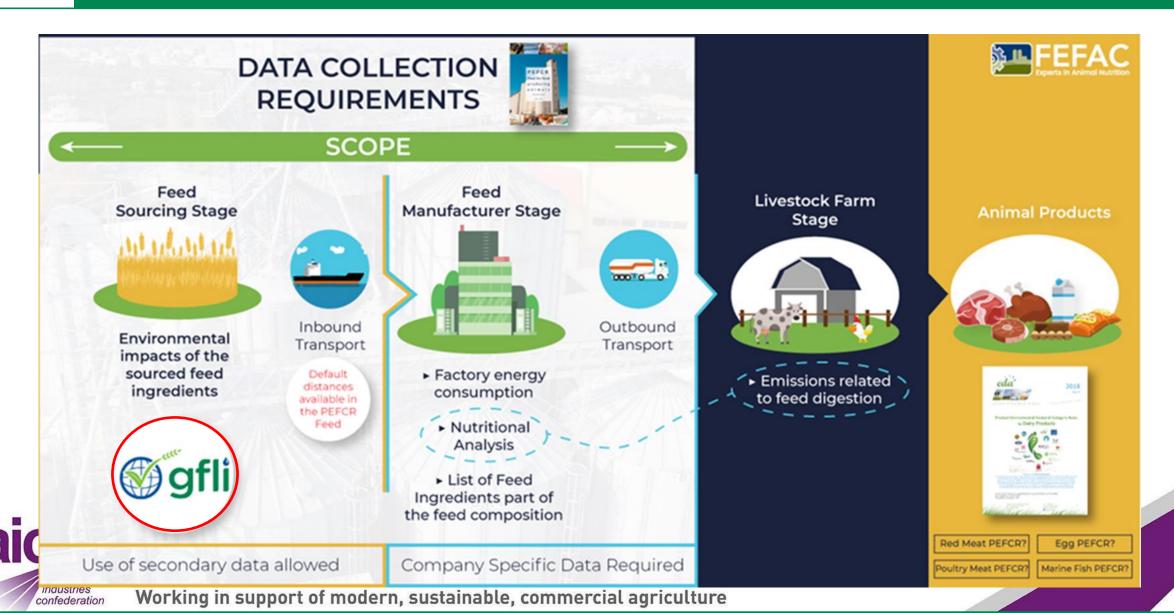




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The soya supply chain



The Use of Additives in Feed

Methane mitigation and feed additives

- There are a number of nutritional measures that can impact methane emissions. Improving feed quality and intake, lower fibre feeds and higher starch and fat diets all have a role to play.
- Methane reducing feed additives and supplements inhibit methanogens in the rumen, and subsequently reduce enteric methane emissions.
- Methane-reducing feed additives can be:
 - synthetic chemicals
 - natural supplements and compounds, such as tannins and seaweed
 - fats and oils
- To date, in UK legislation, no feed additive has been authorised for the function of delivering environmental benefits by reducing methane emissions.
- Defra are calling for evidence on these feeds with a view to considering policy options
- FSA are aware of the potential role for these additives and are in conversation with the industry to explore a regulatory pathway for such products.





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Huge New Industry

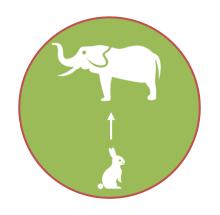
"\$8 Billion market by 2030, +24.4% CAGR"



"Total demand for insect meal from the UK's pig, poultry and salmon sectors to reach around 540,000 tonnes a year by 2050"



About the Black Soldier Fly



Hungry and fast-growing

8000x fold increase in size in 14 days



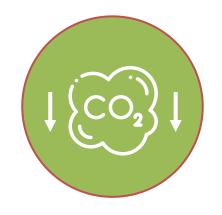
Omnivores

Eat a wide range of substrates



High in Protein

On a dry weight basis, and after processing.



Low Carbon Alternative

Reduces
Greenhouse
Gases by being
locally produced

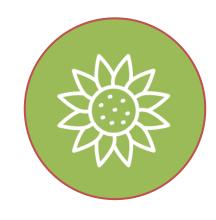


Why farm Black Soldier Fly Larvae?









Turn waste into value

Produce a protein with a low carbon footprint

Improve animal nutrition with a high-quality and natural protein source

Improve plant health using frass



Challenge I: Approving Insect PAP's for use in Pig and Poultry Feed



EU approves Insect PAPs

For use in pig and poultry feed.
Aqua and pet approved in 2017



The UK is behind

We can only feed live larvae to poultry and insect PAPs to fish.



We need rapid approval

DEFRA can
leverage EFSA
risk assessments
and EC
legislation.

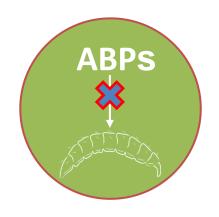


This helps our sector catch-up

Both in terms of legislation, and opportunity to scale.

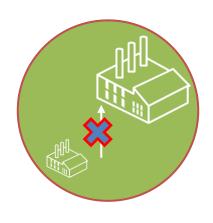


Challenge II: ABP's Cat 3: The Ham Sandwich Dilemma aka Limited Substrates



We can't feed ABPs to insects

We can't feed
PAPs to farmed
insects, even
though it's OK for
pig and poultry.



Limiting overall feedstocks

And our industry's growth

Maintains high costs



We're working on this

FSA commissioned study is evaluating risks of insects grown on ABP's.

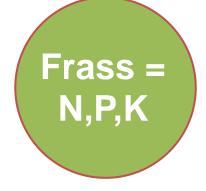


Approval allows us to access new feedstocks

Especially from supermarket and supply chain waste, allowing wider industry involvement.

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Challenge III: Creating a Definition for Insect Frass



Frass is a fertilizer

Rich in nutrients needed by plants, boosts plant growth and development as well.



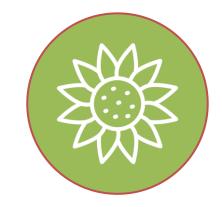
Major product of our industry

Frass production always exceeds protein production.



The EU has done the work

frass definition, requiring it is sterilized at 70°C for one hour or

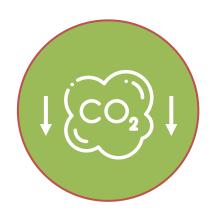


The UK can adopt the same legislation

Enabling frass to be
used as an
alternative to
chemical fertilizers, at
a time when we need
them most (and not
classed as a waste).



Government support: Accelerating insect protein uptake



Insect protein can be CO₂ negative

Allowing offset of Carbon emissions.



On-farm protein source

Reducing soy usage, increasing supply chain resilience.



Diversification opportunity

Enabling farmers to adapt existing infrastructure.



Needs to compete on price point with traditional proteins

Subsidies for insect farming equipment will enable the sector to scale faster and increase usage.



Without government support, we will fall behind

In summary:

- The UK insects for feed industry faces a number of legislative challenges.
- These challenges can be addressed by considering analogous legislation from other countries and enabling legislative change rapidly.
- This will enable our industry to scale faster, bigger.

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Conversely, without this rapid legislative change, we will fall behind.

Private & Confide Tiple UK has an opportunity to be a global leader if legislation moves faster.

Help us grow our industry

Be part of the next frontier in agri-food. Enable the insect farming industry to take off.





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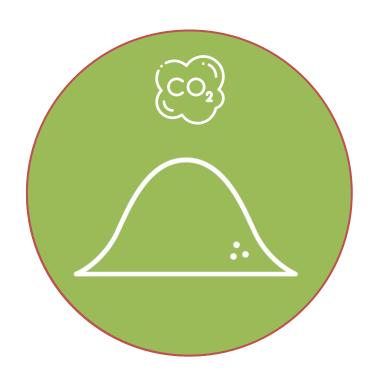






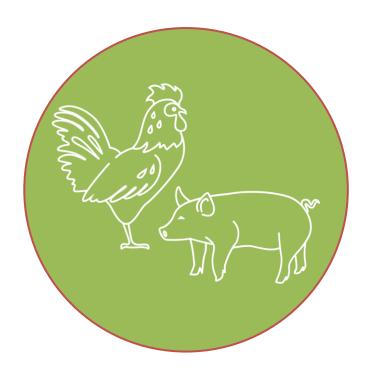


Regulatory Support I: Subsidies for Insect Protein



- Insect Protein can be CO₂ negative, allowing offset of carbon dioxide emissions within the agri-food supply chain.
- It enables traditional farmers to produce a beneficial protein source on-farm for within their operations, or alternatively for use as a domestic product. This reduces the UK agri-food sector's dependency on imported protein.
- In parallel, it provides a diversification opportunity for farmers that can create new revenues and create new jobs.
- Uptake of insect protein is limited due to price-point competition.
- Regulation change can enable uptake by taking into account the benefits of insect protein vs traditional proteins, and subsidizing production equipment or its use in animal feed.

Challenge I: Approving Insects for use in Pig and Poultry Feed



- In October 2021, the EU approved use of processed insect protein in pig and poultry feed. <u>Link</u>
- The UK only allows processed insect protein for use in aqua-feed (2017),
 which occurred as a result of the EU approving it pre-Brexit. (Link)
- Until approval is given, UK poultry can only be fed live insects small market
- **UK government and regulators can-fast track this approval** by reviewing the adopted legislation from the EC and risk assessments approved by EFSA, take it to consultation and drive rapid legislative change.
- Approval eliminates a key regulatory barrier for UK agri-food to use insect protein and puts the UK on an even footing with the EU.



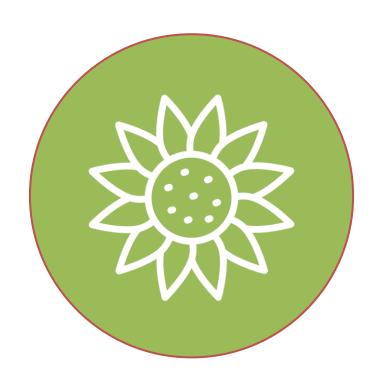
Challenge II: Limited Permissible Substrates



- The 'Feed Ban' laws prevent farmed insects being fed Processed Animal Proteins (PAPs) (except fishmeal).
- Yet aquafeed can contain pig and poultry PAPs, and in the EU poultry feed can contain pig PAPs and pig feed can contain poultry PAPs.
- We need to be able to use food waste containing non-ruminant PAPs (e.g. an out-of-date ham sandwich) as feed for insects.
 Without this, the UK insect farming industry will have limited growth.
- By establishing this legislation, the UK can go beyond the EU status quo, further limit food waste that goes to landfill & <u>capture more of this \$2</u>
 Billion market



Challenge III: Creating a definition for insect frass



- Insect frass is comprised of skin casings and droppings, and is a product of the insect-farming process. It contains Nitrogen, Phosphorus and Potassium, making it a valuable natural fertilizer. It also acts as a natural biorepellent, boosting plant growth and deterring pest damage.
- Frass is a major product of our industry up to 500,000 tonnes of frass per year could be produced by 2050.
- The EU has recently established a definition for frass to ensure it can be used on agricultural land (Link). It requires that frass is sterilized at 70°C for one hour. Frass was then added to the list of authorized fertilizers (Link).
- UK government should adopt a similar definition and authorization, ensuring frass can be used as an alternative to chemical fertilizers.



 It is also key that frass is not classed as a waste, since this useful and Working in support of modern, sustainable commercial agriculture Valuable material would otherwise become a cost centre for our industry.

Growing Support



























Presented by John Knight

Chair of The UK Former Foodstuffs Processors Association (UKFFPA)

& Technical Director for the SugaRich Group







The UKFFPA was set up in 2013

It represents, defends and promotes the interest of the Former Foodstuffs processing industry to UK institutions. It provides guidance to its members in sourcing and producing safe former foods

The members handle over 650 000 tonnes per annum which represents over 90% of the former foods being processed in the UK

Using former foodstuffs as animal feed saves the equivalent of 750 000 tonnes of wheat which could make 1.4 billion loaves

It's activities at UK level are complementary to those of the European Former Foodstuffs Processors Association (EFFPA).





Former Foods the Unintended Products















Food losses are both unintentional and unavoidable 95% of the products that our members use, arise at the food factory as intermediate, unfinished or incorrect products

Food products in the retail sector are often removed for seasonality and for commercial reasons

Products are removed from the market only for commercial reasons

They are never waste but can become high energy ingredients for animal feed







	Processed former foodstuffs – Typical Blend for Pig Feed	Barley	Wheat
Dry matter	88.0%	88.0%	88.0%
Crude protein	10.0%	10.0%	11.0%
Lysine	0.38%	0.38%	0.34%
Crude fat	14.5%	2.8%	2.1%
Crude fibre	2.2%	5.5%	2.7%
Starch	41.0%	51.6%	59.2%
Sugar	14.0%	2.2%	2.4%
Metabolisable energy pig (DE)	16.75 MJ/kg	12.95 MJ/kg	14.43 MJ/kg





FEED NOT WASTE



WRAP Guidance

Retailers on the

Use of Food

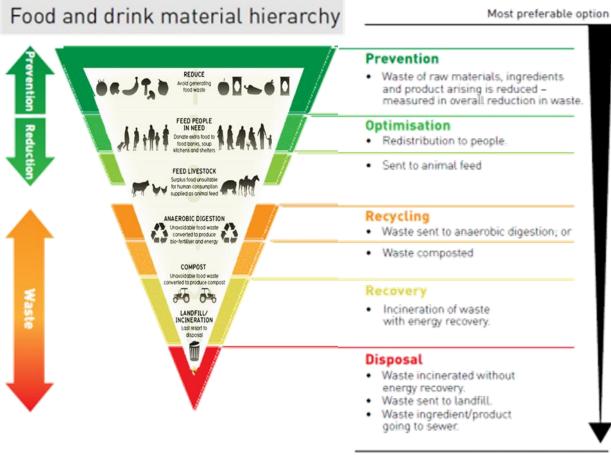
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Manufacturers and

Surplus as Animal

Source

Feed



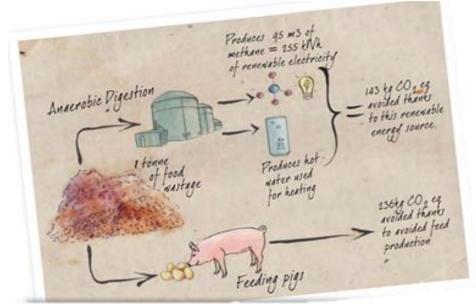
Least preferable option





Sustainability





Nearly twice the amount of CO₂ is saved using former foods for feed rather than biogas. (Source FAO Food Waste Footprint).



 In 2021 the GFLI database listed UK Former Foods as having an environmental impact of between 0.03 and 0.16 Kg CO₂ eq/ Kg of product compared with UK wheat at 0.43 and imported palm oil at 9.23 Kg CO₂ eq / Kg of product







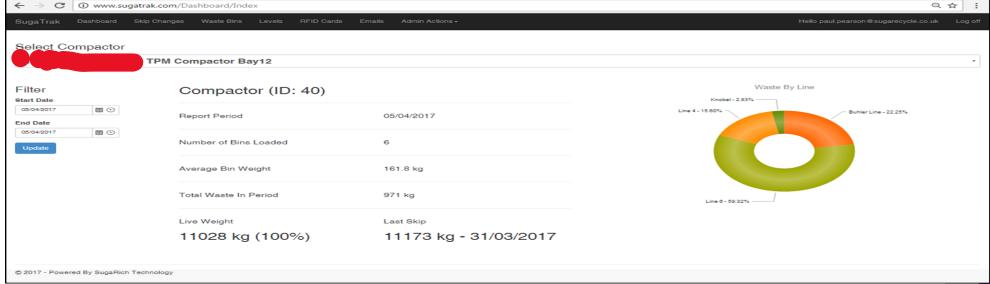
Embracing Technology















Looking Forward



UKFFPA will

- Work with Government and Industry to capture those former foods that are presently going to waste
- Look for synergies with the Insect Farming Industry
- Drive further efficiencies through new technology





In summary



Former Food Processors are

- In the heart of the food-feed circular economy
- Provide a sustainable solution for food operators (industry and retailers) to prevent food waste
- Provide an alternative and sustainable high energy ingredient for animal feed
- Aways keeping in mind that safety and traceability will always be our priority



Thank you for your attention.