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## UKCPI meetings

### EU Exit Workability Forum

Tuesday 2 March

[By video conference](#)

### Advocacy, Regulatory & Communications Committee,

Wednesday 28 April

By video conference

### Council meeting

Wednesday 26 May

By video conference

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## Events calendar

**28-29 April**  
**Cleaning Products Europe**, online

**17 June**  
**Clean Air Day**

**15-16 September**  
**ChemUK**  
NEC, Birmingham

## Industry unites to call for change to UK REACH data duplication requirement

UKCPI is among the 25 UK industry associations and downstream user groups who joined together to send a [letter](#) to secretaries of state across different government departments last month.

We are calling for an alternative solution which would rely on basic and publicly available information for a large majority of substances notified under the independent REACH regime.

[Joint letter](#) | [Chemical Watch coverage](#).

## APPG for the cleaning and hygiene sector inaugurated

UKCPI is a founding member of the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) for the cleaning and hygiene sector, which was inaugurated on 2 February 2021. [Read more](#).



## UKCPI EU Exit Workability Forum continues

The third UKCPI EU exit Workability Forum will be held on 2nd March at 11:00 am by video conference. The forum provides an opportunity for UKCPI members to resolve concerns with member experts or seek official advice, in particular with regard to UK (GB and NI) regulatory regimes for CLP, BPR, Detergents and REACH.

## New look for the UKCPI website

We have launched a new look [website](#), with a fresh design, while maintaining the valuable information which you may be familiar with.

The website sets out the benefits of [cleaning for health and wellbeing](#), how to [clean sustainably](#) and the [latest news](#).

UKCPI members are invited to link to the UKCPI site on their company websites.

We are also developing a new members' area within the website, with material just for members, and we will send details of how to register for this as soon as it's completed.



EXPERT INFORMATION ABOUT  
CLEANING AND HYGIENE  
AT HOME AND IN THE  
WORKPLACE

## Biocides product and active substance fact sheets

HSE has published a series of fact sheets for businesses that want to gain, or maintain, access to the GB market after 31 December 2020.

The **fact sheets** provide information such as:

- Current UK biocides authorisation holders
- New and ongoing product authorisation applications
- Companies supporting active substance(s) for approval
- Article 95 suppliers

## HSE guidance for the chemical industry

The most up to date guidance on how businesses based in Great Britain and Northern Ireland can prepare for the end of the transition period is available on the following HSE webpages:

- **Biocides** - Authorisation of biocidal substances and products
- **CLP** - Classification, labelling and packaging of substances and chemicals
- **PIC** - Prior informed consent
- **PPP** - Pesticides or Plant Protection Products
- **REACH** - Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals

## EU transition helplines

A list of key business transition actions and the relevant **helpline**. It covers areas including customs, tariffs, CE/UKCA markings and more.

## Government launches SME Brexit Support Fund

SMEs who trade only with the EU, and are therefore new to importing and exporting processes, can apply for grants of up to £2,000 for each trader to pay for practical support including training and professional advice to ensure they can continue trading effectively with the EU. The fund is to support SMEs adjust to new customs, rules of origin, and VAT rules when trading with the EU. [More](#).

## Discount for UKCPI members to attend Cleaning Products Europe conference

The **Cleaning Products Europe 2021** conference will be held as an online

event next month, from 28 to 29 April, and the [agenda](#) is now available. UKCPI members wishing to join can benefit from a 10% discount with the code CP21UKCPI.



### Biocides webinar recording available

HSE and Defra hosted a virtual stakeholder event on 20 January, the biocides session is available below.



### UK REACH Agency statement on the use of independent scientific knowledge and advice

Article 77 in the UK REACH Regulation makes provisions for the Agency to obtain and use independent scientific knowledge and advice (ISA) to inform relevant Agency opinions.

The Agency's approach to gathering and using such advice will be published in a ISA statement, a draft of which can be [downloaded here](#).

To take part in a short survey about the ISA statement, [visit this link](#).

## In the news



### P&G CEO expects higher demand for cleaning products last

P&G Chairman and CEO David Taylor sees higher demand for cleaning products sticking around post-Covid pandemic. "I think we've all gotten in habits of cleaning. We've got in the

habit of the home being a bigger part of our life," Taylor told CNBC.

[Read more](#)  
[www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com)

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### **BA introduces Dettol products on planes and at airports**

British Airways has agreed a partnership with hygiene brand Dettol as part of the airline's "ongoing commitment to help keep its customers and colleagues safe". From March, BA customers will have access to a range of Dettol products.

[Read more](#)  
[www.travelweekly.co.uk](http://www.travelweekly.co.uk)

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### **Huge gaps in UK regulation exist following transition**

The UK is still not in a position to assume responsibility for regulation in several critical policy areas including trade, crime and the environment, a new academic report - UK regulation after Brexit - has found.

[Read more](#)  
[www.sheffield.ac.uk](http://www.sheffield.ac.uk)

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## SC Johnson makes Mr Muscle trigger bottles 100 per cent PCR

All Mr Muscle trigger bottles sold in the UK are now made using 100 per cent post-consumer recycled (PCR) plastics, household cleaning products firm SC Johnson has announced.

[Read more  
plasticsinpackaging.com](https://www.plasticsinpackaging.com)

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## Disinfectant demand lifts RB to best ever growth

Reckitt Benckiser has reported the highest annual revenue growth in its history as the Covid-19 hygiene boom led to surging sales for its Dettol and Lysol disinfectants.

[Read more  
www.ft.com](https://www.ft.com)

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## P&G launches Microban 24 in the UK

Launching now in the UK, P&G introduces a new way for people to keep surfaces protected from bacteria for up to 24 hours.

[Read more](#)

[www.businesswire.com](http://www.businesswire.com)

**All own brand flushable wet wipes that meet the 'Fine to Flush' specification or will do by June 2021\***



 ✓	 Don't Sell	 ✓	 ✓	✓ Already Done ✓ In Progress ✗ No
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\*Some existing old stock may still be found in store

## To flush or not to flush? The results of MCS survey are in

Late last year the Marine Conservation Society surveyed the UK's high street retailers to find out how they're performing when it comes to testing, labelling and removing plastic from their own brand wet wipes and sanitary products.

[Read more](#)

[www.mcsuk.org](http://www.mcsuk.org)

McBride, the manufacturer of own label cleaning and hygiene products, has reported robust half year figures as consumers concerned about the virus continued to buy more cleaning products.

[Read more](#)

[www.kamcity.com](http://www.kamcity.com)

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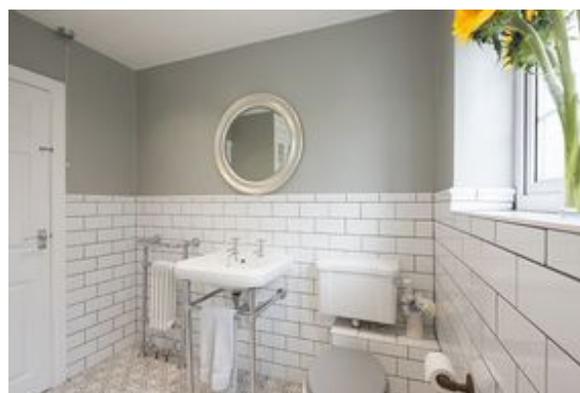
## RB reveals new FA partnership and reports record sales

Reckitt Benckiser revealed a new partnership with The Football Association as the consumer goods giant reported like-for-like net sales up 11.8% to nearly £14 billion in 2020 after the pandemic saw demand for disinfectants soar.

[Read more](#)

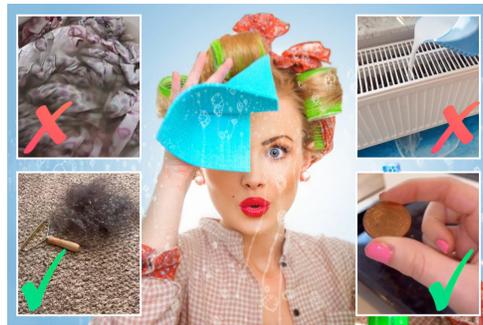
[www.standard.co.uk](http://www.standard.co.uk)

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## Toilet cleaning: Dangerous mixtures to avoid

Toilet cleaning is among people's least favourite chores, given the proximity to bacteria and harsh chemicals. When mixed, some of these chemicals can produce potentially dangerous effects.



## Which cleaning hacks really work

TikTok, Instagram and Facebook are full of them including telling us to rinse our washing machine with dishwasher tablets or put fabric softener down the loo. But which "genius" tips are safe and effective? Dr Lisa Ackerley explains.

[Read more](http://www.thesun.co.uk)  
[www.thesun.co.uk](http://www.thesun.co.uk)

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REPORT

## DEFRA seeks to consolidate UK REACH regulations

Businesses may get a clearer view of their obligations under the UK's post-Brexit chemicals rules later this year and the transparency of decision-making under them will improve shortly, according to officials. [subscription article]

[Read more](http://www.endsreport.com)  
[www.endsreport.com](http://www.endsreport.com)

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### **Lab venture secures £100,000 for vegan-friendly testing**

A Liverpool city region laboratory has secured £100,000 from Unilever and AstraZeneca to develop vegan-friendly testing for new cosmetics and personal care products.

[Read more](#)  
[lbndaily.co.uk](http://lbndaily.co.uk)

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### **Fabulosa eyes £40m in sales after bumper 2020**

Sales are set to increase by a third at a Cheshire-headquartered cleaning products maker this year after it reported a revenue of £30m for 2020.

[Read more](#)  
[www.business-live.co.uk](http://www.business-live.co.uk)

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## INEOS Hygienics' Sanitiser Range continues retail roll-out

INEOS Hygienics has continued its UK retail roll-out with Sainsbury's and Ocado now selling its range of sanitiser products. The 'hospital-grade' products include hand sanitiser gel, wipes, and household sprays.

[Read more](#)  
[www.kamcity.com](http://www.kamcity.com)

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## Publication places doubt over Zoono's COVID claims

A sanitising product used by Transport for London and American Airlines has had several virus-killing claims questioned by an Australian news service.

[Read more](#)  
[www.twinfm.com](http://www.twinfm.com)

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## Eco-business sales soar by more than 4000% during lockdown

A quartet of friends from Leeds who set up an eco business are celebrating being stocked by John Lewis. EcoVibe's products include antibacterial cleaning sachets, a glass spray bottle and compostable sponges.

[Read more](#)  
[www.yorkshireeveningpost.co.uk](http://www.yorkshireeveningpost.co.uk)

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