

MODERN SLAVERY STATEMENT

Financial Year 2016-17



This statement has been published in accordance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015. It sets out the steps taken by Meadow Foods Ltd, during the 2016-17 financial year.

We acknowledge the responsibility we have to guard against modern slavery and human trafficking and are committed to eliminating any risk of it in our supply chain.

Our Business

Meadow Foods Ltd is the UK's leading independent dairy group. We specialise in supplying milk and dairy ingredients including, Cream, Butter, Butteroil (AMF), Sweetened Condensed Milk, Chocolate Crumb and Cultured Dairy Products to major food manufacturers. We operate from three manufacturing sites across the UK: Chester (includes Head Office), Holme upon Spalding Moor and Peterborough. All of our sites are regularly internally audited against the SMETA (Sedex Members' Ethical Trade Audit) 4 Pillars Standard: Health and Safety, Labour Standards, Business Integrity and Environment.

Our Supply Chain

We are committed to our corporate social responsibilities at local, national and international level. We internally review our supply chains to assess both human trafficking and slavery risks. We have a sound document management system that ensures all steps of the supplier approval process are followed.

We recognise and understand the complexities associated with the existence of modern slavery and its potential impact on global supply chain networks and we are committed to working with our Suppliers, Customers, Regulatory Authorities and other parties and organisations to support the development of long-term solutions to this issue. We are fully committed to ensuring that we purchase only from legitimate companies that meet all appropriate legislation and are not in any way engaged or associated with modern slavery or human trafficking.

We internally review our supply chain to evaluate modern slavery and human trafficking risks, and we review all aspects of the supply chain including: safety; human trafficking; child labour and other legal requirements. We are members of Sedex (Supplier Ethical Data Exchange) and are regularly audited by third parties.

Our Policies

Following a review of our current policies, we believe that our present arrangements offer sufficient protection to all workers. In addition to policies that protect all workers from mistreatment, we have a robust and effective Whistleblowing Policy which we are confident provides a mechanism for any employees who may wish to raise modern slavery/human trafficking as an issue. Our policies and procedures are continually reviewed to ensure we remain compliant with all current legislation.

Our Knowledge, Awareness & Communication

We publish this statement on our website and communicate it to our suppliers as part of our Supplier Approval process. We also communicate the issue of modern slavery and human trafficking throughout the business.

However, we understand that combating modern slavery and human trafficking will be an ongoing process and we endeavor to continue to reduce the risks of this being present within our supply chain year on year.

This statement was approved by the Board of Meadow Foods Ltd on 15th March 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Mark Chantler".

Signed on behalf of the Board by Mark Chantler, Chief Executive Officer, Meadow Foods Ltd