

**ONE DAY WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE GM CROPS,
BEEKEEPING & THE HONEY INDUSTRY
Fri 20 Sep 2002 at the National Beekeeping Centre 10am to 4pm.**

Objectives:

To share opinions and concerns across the sectors of the Industry
To debate the definition and acceptability of "GM free" and "non-GM" honey
To consider the merits and future of the 6 mile hive exclusion zone.

Attendance:

By invitation from the BBKA

Invitees

80 approx. max 2 per Association/Organisation

BBKA Member Associations (61)

Bee Farmers Association

First Honey Co-op

Scottish, Welsh and Ulster BKA

National Bee Unit

DEFRA GM Unit

Honey association (importers)

IACR Rothamstead

Agricultural Biotechnology Council

Agricultural and Environment Biotechnology Commission

British retail Consortium

Local Authorities Co-ordinating Body on Trading Standards

International Bee Research Association

SCIMAC

Food Standards Agency

QP Services

Format:

Coffee and Registration from 10am

Start 10.30 - Chairman: Glyn Davies BBKA

Position statements (10-15 mins) from possibly:

The Beekeepers dilemma - BBKA

The public debate - AEBC

The scientists - IACR Rothamsted

The retailers - BRC

The importers and packers - Honey association

GM Industry - ABC

The government position - DEFRA

UK Honey producers - BFA
GM supply perspective - SCIMAC

Lunch 1-2pm

The Debates:

- 1 is there an acceptable definition for GM free honey? If so what is it?
- 2 Is the 6 mile exclusion zone meaningful and necessary?

4pm conclusion and close.

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