CLAIMS:

1. A rod comprising a first sheet ~~(2)~~ comprising tobacco material and a second sheet ~~(3)~~ comprising a non-tobacco flavourant, the first sheet and the second sheet gathered together and circumscribed by a wrapper ~~(12)~~.

2. A rod according to claim 1 in which the first sheet is a sheet of homogenised tobacco material.

3. A rod according to claim 1 or 2 in which the second sheet is a polymeric or a paper sheet coated with the non-tobacco flavourant.

4. A rod according to claim 1 or 2 in which the second sheet is a polymeric or paper sheet impregnated with the non-tobacco flavourant.

5. A rod according to any preceding claim in which the second sheet comprises a biodegradable polymer, for example polylactic acid.

6. A rod according to any preceding claim in which at least one of the first sheet and the second sheet is crimped.

7. A rod according to any preceding claim in which the non-tobacco flavourant comprises menthol.

8. A smoking article comprising a rod according to any of claims 1 to 7.

9. An aerosol-forming substrate for a heated aerosol-generating article comprising a rod according to any of claims 1 to 7.

10. A system comprising an electrically-operated aerosol-generating apparatus and an aerosol-generating article for use with the apparatus, the aerosol-generating article comprising an aerosol-forming substrate according to claim 9.

11. A heated aerosol-generating article comprising a combustible heat source and an aerosol-forming substrate according to claim 9 located downstream of the combustible heat source.

12. A heated aerosol-generating article for use in an electrically-operated aerosol-generating system comprising an aerosol-forming substrate according to claim 9.

13. A method of forming a rod comprising the steps of;
providing a first continuous sheet ~~(2)~~ comprising a tobacco material,
providing a second continuous sheet ~~(3)~~ comprising a non-tobacco-flavourant,

simultaneously gathering the first and second continuous sheets transversely relative to the longitudinal axes thereof;

circumscribing the gathered sheets with a wrapper ~~(12)~~ to form a continuous rod, and severing the continuous rod into a plurality of discrete rods.

14. A method according to claim 13 in which the first continuous sheet is crimped prior to being gathered.

15. A method according to claim 13 or 14 in which the second continuous sheet is crimped prior to being gathered.