



CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

That the Work Plan for Food and Health and Safety Enforcement for 2017/18 is approved.

(1) Details of Decision

To seek approval of the work plan for food and health and safety enforcement for 2017/18.

(2) Considerations/Evidence

The Food Standards Agency (FSA) requires each Local Authority to produce an annual Food Work Plan in accordance with the guidelines set out in the Agency's Framework Agreement on Local Authority Food Law Enforcement.

The FSA will use the information contained in the plan to assess our delivery of the service and compare our performance against other authorities. The FSA has powers to take over the management of the food service from local authorities who fail to meet performance standards

In addition, the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) National Local Authority Enforcement Code aims to ensure that local authority health and safety enforcement activity is focused on serious risks and poor performers by setting out a risk based approach for local authority regulators to follow when targeting health and safety interventions.

The Work Plan is produced to satisfy the requirements of the FSA and HSE and also incorporates other associated activities including infectious disease control and private water supply regulation.

Environmental Health can provide valuable local support and advice to businesses, especially at start up. The work plan demonstrates how we ensure that regulation is efficient and proportionate, supportive of growth and protects communities.

Key elements of the plan for 2017/18 include:

- Advising businesses, especially at start up and during growth
- Supporting businesses in the district to continually improve
- Increasing the number of food premises which are "broadly compliant",

- with particular attention to the <2% of food businesses where improvement is necessary (0-2 rated premises)
- Continuing to focus on food crime, authenticity and traceability during food hygiene inspections

(3) Reasons for Decision:

Failure to publish an approved plan would result in a breach of duty.

Conflicts of Interest

(Any conflict of interest declared by any other Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the decision to be recorded).

NONE

Dispensations

(Any dispensation granted by the Monitoring Officer in respect of any declared conflict of interest to be noted).

NONE

Decision taken by:

Name: Councillor Dr Peter Moseley
Cabinet Member for Environment

Date of Decision: 23 June 2017

Date of Publication of Record of Decision: 26 June 2017

Date decision effective (i.e. 5 days after the date of publication of record of decision unless subject to call-in by the Chairman of an Overview and Scrutiny Committee or any 5 members of the Council from any political groups):

04 July 2017