

APPENDIX B

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To: Licensing
Subject: Consultation of draft street trading policy

Good morning Licensing,

Please find comments for addition into the street trading policy.

Commercial Team of Environmental Health would like to add to the policy at 3.2 Applications in that:

- Town Centre Consent applications must meet the conditions set out in the (relevant) Annex.
- Individual applications for high risk, open food sales or displaying animals capable of E. coli 0157 bacteria transmission must meet the conditions set out in the (relevant) Annex.
- For individual street trading consents, where relevant, evidence of food hygiene training, food hygiene registration, gas appliance certification must be provided upon application. The conditions forming the Annex relate to structural standards. Officers from Environmental Health during their routine inspections will monitor compliance with all aspects of food hygiene and health & safety legislation, which go beyond the requirements for the street trading licence. Individuals applying for street trading consent must be mindful of their responsibility to ensure adequate & satisfactory food hygiene and health & safety controls be in place whilst trading.

High risk, open food is defined as foods that are ready to eat, perishable and handled, made or assembled by persons staffing the business.

The following specific conditions should be added as Annex(es).

Town Centre Consents

The conditions relate to regular events (such as weekly markets where they are not Charter Markets) and specific events (such as Food Festivals and supported events) organised by the consent holder.

Environmental Health request that consent holders provide relevant information to the Commercial Team (Environmental Health) regarding the traders.

- For regular events, provide trader information for high risk, open food traders upon the renewal of your street trading consent where the street trading policy applies. New trader information must be received by the Commercial Team before they begin to trade at the regular events, where they are not trading upon the renewal of the street trading consent. Information provided to North Hertfordshire District Council's Environmental Health Commercial Team shall be provided in the manner detailed below.
 - Name of food trader
 - Registered name of food business
 - Registered address of food business (including postcode)
 - Food hygiene rating & Date awarded

- Type of food sold
- Inspecting Authority
- For specific & supported events, information should be received regarding high-risk, open food traders* four (4) weeks before the event in the manner detailed below.
 - Name of food trader
 - Registered name of food business
 - Registered address of food business (including postcode)
 - Food hygiene rating & Date awarded
 - Type of food sold
 - Inspecting Authority

Where high-risk open food traders intend to trade using an organisation's street trading consent, but register later than 4 week before the event, they must provide the above relevant information upon receipt of trader registration.

- Traders that bring live animals capable of E. coli 0157 bacteria transmission, these traders must provide the organiser with the following information;
 - Name of Trader
 - Trading name of business
 - Address of business (including postcode)
 - Suitable and sufficient risk assessment that manages E. coli 0157 hazard.

Before consent is offered to the trader with live animals, the Town Centre Consent holder must assess the controls in the risk assessment and determine their suitability. Through the course of the event, the Town Centre Consent Holder must ensure that the control measures in the risk assessment are being implemented.

Provide trader information, listed above to Environmental Health four (4) weeks before traders with live animals are intending to trade.

All informations relating to the above information must be forwarded to env.health@north-herts.gov.uk within the time frames, detailed above.

- Whilst traders operate in accordance with your street trading consent, you must ensure that traders serving high-risk open food/displaying live animals must
 - Have a means to wash hands hygienically. In practice, they must have a suitable wash hand basin supplied with hot and cold potable water, soap and hygienic hand drying facilities. Where traders are not able to ensure person hygiene through the provision of adequate hand wash facilities, Town Centre consent holders must take steps to stop the trader from operating.
 - Have adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (solid & liquid) to be available. Used water and waste products must be contained until suitable methods for disposal are available.
- Traders using portable gas appliances must have a current Gas Safe Certificate from a competent person.

Individual Street Trading Consent

Businesses applying for street trading consent must ensure the following;

- They are registered as a food business with the relevant local authority (place where van, vehicle, barrow, cart is stored overnight). Evidence of this to be provided.
- The food handler(s) serving high risk, open foods are suitably trained in food hygiene matters to Level 2 in Food Hygiene & Safety
- The van, vehicle, barrow, cart or stall must have a means to wash hands hygienically. In practice, they must have a suitable wash hand basin supplied with hot and cold potable water, liquid soap and hygienic hand drying facilities.
- Surfaces in contact with food are to be in a sound condition and be easy to clean, and where necessary, disinfect. This will require the use of smooth, washable, corrosion-resistant and non-toxic materials.
- Adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (solid & liquid) to be available. Used water and waste products must be contained until suitable methods for disposal are available.
- Traders using portable gas appliances must have a current Gas Safe Certificate from a competent person.

Traders that bring live animals capable of E. coli 0157 bacteria transmission, the following information must be provided upon application;

- Trading name of business
- Address of business (including postcode)
- Suitable and sufficient risk assessment that manages E. coli 0157 hazard.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kind regards,

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