Appendix D – Food Sampling Policy Consultation Responses

Consultee	Date Consulted on	Comments	Result
Cllr Debenham	09/07/26	Received on 16/07/26 "This all makes perfect sense to me. One minor point, we state that borderline results may be re-tested. There's probably a good reason for it but wouldn't it be safer to re-test all borderline results ?"	Responded to Cllr Debenham on 22/07/26 regarding the results. Policy updated on 03/08/26 to reflect this comment
Cllr May	09/07/26	None received	
Food & Water Lab	10/07/26	From Nigel Pittock, Outposted Scientist on 10/07/26 "All looks very good, well done! The only suggestion I might make is to mention, in Section 3.10, that, in certain circumstances, swabs can be taken to look for specific pathogens (e.g., *Salmonella* or *Listeria,* etc.) rather than for general hygiene. But please feel free to ignore."	Policy updated on 03/08/26 to reflect this comment
Kent SS Services	09/07/26	None received	
Policy Team at NHDC	09/07/26	From Daisy Harris, Policy & Strategy Officer, on 17/07/26. "Thanks for sending this, I have reviewed and it all looks good to me. My only comment is a superficial one, the font seems to be different in different sections. Please could you standardise it?"	Requested that Linda Hopkins updated the policy on 03/08/26 to reflect this comment
Legal	13/8/26	From Dimple Roopchand, changes made within the returned document and a suggestion that we include a 'complaint and appeals' section linking to the corporate complaints policy.	Changed the policy using the comments provided in the document but decided not to put the

			complaints section in as this is not required by the FSA and