

**REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR FOR ACCESS AND PUBLIC
PROTECTION.****FOOD & FEED LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE PLAN 2014/15****Purpose of the Report**

1. To seek the Committee's approval for the Food & Feed Law Enforcement Service Plan for 2014/15.

Information and Advice

2. Section 6 of the Food Safety Act 1990 and section 76 of the Agriculture Act places a duty on this Authority to enforce certain provisions of those Acts in Nottinghamshire regarding food for human consumption and also feeding stuffs for animals. The provisions created by the legislation are known as official feed and feed controls.
3. The Food Standards Agency (FSA) has a key role as the central competent authority in not only overseeing official feed and food controls, but working in partnership with local authorities to help them to deliver the controls. The FSA is therefore pro-active in setting and monitoring standards, coordinating activity, and in auditing local authorities' delivery of official controls, in order to ensure that this activity is effective, risk based, proportionate and consistent.
4. The Trading Standards Service is responsible for food and animal feed standards work on behalf of the Authority, which includes labelling and quality controls. The responsibility for (human) food hygiene controls falls to the District Council's Environmental Health Services. The FSA sees Service plans as an important part of the process to ensure that national priorities and standards are addressed and delivered locally.

Other Options Considered

5. None relevant.

Reasons for Recommendation

6. The FSA places a great deal of importance on ensuring that the Authority's key decision makers are engaged in official feed and food controls work. As such, the Trading Standards Service proposed plan for 2014-15 is attached as an appendix to this report.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the Committee approves the Trading Standards Feed & Food Law Enforcement Service Plan for 2014/15 as set out in the appendix to this report.

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Constitutional Comments (LM 16/04/14)

8. Community Safety Committee has delegated authority within the Constitution to approve the recommendations in the report.

Financial Comments (KAS 14/04/14)

9. There are no financial implications contained within the report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

- All