

**Committee:** Licensing and Environmental Health Committee

**Title:** Environmental Health (Commercial) Activity Report

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## Summary

1. This report outlines to members the work of the Environmental Health (Commercial) Service as undertaken between 01 January and 30 June 2018

## Recommendations

2. That members note the contents of this report.

## Financial Implications

3. None arising from this report.

## Background Papers

4. The following papers were referred to by the author in the preparation of this report and are available for inspection from the author of the report.

Current codes of practice relating to Food Safety (FSA)

The Food Hygiene Rating Scheme: Guidance for local authorities on implementation and operation – the Brand Standard

National Local Authority Enforcement Code (HSE)

Joint Action Plan for Outbreak Control (PHE and Essex Authorities)

## Impact

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| Communication/Consultation | None                                    |
| Community Safety           | No direct impact on community safety    |
| Equalities                 | No impact on equalities                 |
| Health and Safety          | No impact on employee health and safety |
| Human Rights/Legal         | All intervention work is carried out in |

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| Implications          | accordance with existing legislative framework and the Councils enforcement policy |
| Sustainability        | Enforcement work undertaken in keeping with the principles of sustainability       |
| Ward-specific impacts | No Ward specific impact  |
| Workforce/Workplace   | No impact  |

## Situation

6. The main focus Environmental Health (Commercial) Service is to improve consumer safety, working conditions and provide support to other areas of work aimed at creating a healthy population. Whilst primarily a statutory service we don't just enforce regulations, we educate, advise and mediate, in order to ensure that people are able to live and work in safe, healthy environments.

The Commercial team are responsible for a wide range of functions including food hygiene and safety, imported food control, occupational health and safety, infectious disease control and port health and the registrations of both premises and persons engaging in cosmetic practices such as skin piercing and tattooing. A breakdown of services delivered for the period covered by this report is provided below.

7. Performance is measured through formal performance indicators (PI) and service plan targets. A summary of the total service activity for the period 01 January to 30 June 2018 is provided below.

Members should note that during the period Environmental Health Team resource has been reduced due to resignation of two team members. As of 03 July the resourcing issue has been partially addressed by the recruitment of a part time Environmental Health Officer (EHO) and a trainee Environmental Health Technical Officer (EHTO) acting in a regulatory support role.

The current team resource is as follows 1 SEHO (f/t), 1 SEHO (p/t), 1 EHO (p/t) 1 SEHTO (f/t), 1 EHTO (f/t) 1 EHTO trainee (f/t) 1 admin support (f/t)

| <b>Report of Service activity for Environmental Health<br/>(Commercial 4th Quarter 2017 /18 (01 Jan to 31 March 2018))</b> |             |
|--|-------------|
| <b>Activity Type</b>   | <b>No's</b> |
| <b>Food Hygiene and Safety</b>   |             |
| Total number of PI reportable routine food premises inspected.   | 83          |
| Total number PI reportable of routine premises due.  | 91          |

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| PI achieved expressed as a percentage.   | 76% |
| Additional food interventions including alternative strategy and new businesses. | 37  |
| Premises receiving a requested rescore visit under FHRS                          | 14  |
| Food compliant investigations  | 18  |
| Hygiene improvement notices served   | 0   |
| <b>Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (FHRS)</b>   |     |
| Premises awarded a rating of 5 - Very Good                                       | 76  |
| Premises awarded a rating of 4 - Good  | 21  |
| Premises awarded a rating of 3 - Generally Satisfactory                          | 08  |
| Premises awarded a rating of 2 - Improvement necessary                           | 02  |
| Premises awarded a rating of 1 - Major Improvement necessary                     | 03  |
| Premises awarded a rating of 0 - Urgent Improvement necessary                    | 0   |
| <b>TuckIn premises</b>   |     |
| Total premises pledged to the initiative to date                                 | 17  |
| Average across Essex Local Authorities   | 16  |
| <b>Imported Food Control</b>   |     |
| Products of animal origin (POAO)   | 258 |
| Destroyed POAO   | 62  |
| Returned consignments  | 02  |
| Food not of animal origin (FNAO)   | 134 |
| Sampled consignments of Peas   | 05  |
| Organic imports  | 06  |
| Melamine/Polyamide imports   | 04  |
| <b>Occupational Health and Safety</b>  |     |
| Face to face contact interventions   | 20  |
| Other interventions  | 0   |
| Visits to investigate incidents (RIDDOR)   | 0   |
| Visits to investigate complaints   | 03  |
| HS advice visit  | 04  |
| Revisits following an earlier intervention                                       | 0   |
| Immediate Prohibition Notices served   | 03  |
| Improvement Notice served  | 01  |

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| <b>Infectious Disease Control</b>              |    |
| Campylobacter                                  | 11 |
| Cryptosporidium                                | 0  |
| Giardia  | 01 |
| Salmonella                                     | 03 |
| E.coli   | 0  |
| <b>Registration of premises</b>                |    |
| General enquiries                              | 05 |
| Registrations of premises                      | 01 |
| Registration of person : semi-permanent makeup | 01 |
| Registration of person : ear piercing          | 0  |
| Registration of person : tattooist             | 0  |
| Registration of Acupuncturist                  | 0  |

| <b>Report of Service activity for Environmental Health<br/>(Commercial)</b>      |             |
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| <b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2018 /19 (01 Apr to 30 June 2018)</b>                  |             |
| <b>Activity Type</b>   | <b>No's</b> |
| <b>Food Hygiene and Safety</b>   |             |
| Total number of PI reportable routine food premises inspected.                   | 70          |
| Total number PI reportable of routine premises due.                              | 99          |
| PI achieved expressed as a percentage.   | 69%         |
| Additional food interventions including alternative strategy and new businesses. | 29          |
| Premises receiving a requested rescore visit under FHRS                          | 05          |
| Food compliant investigations  | 16          |
| Hygiene improvement notices served   | 02          |
| <b>Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (FHRS)</b>   |             |
| Premises awarded a rating of 5 - Very Good                                       | 62          |
| Premises awarded a rating of 4 - Good  | 17          |
| Premises awarded a rating of 3 - Generally Satisfactory                          | 09          |
| Premises awarded a rating of 2 - Improvement necessary                           | 03          |
| Premises awarded a rating of 1 - Major Improvement                               | 09          |

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| <p style="text-align: center;">necessary</p> Premises awarded a rating of 0 - Urgent Improvement<br><p style="text-align: center;">necessary</p> | 02  |
| <b>TuckIn premises</b>   |     |
| Total premises pledged to the initiative to date   | 17  |
| Average across Essex Local Authorities   | 18  |
| <b>Imported Food Control</b>   |     |
| Products of animal origin (POAO)   | 242 |
| Destroyed POAO   | 70  |
| Returned consignments  | 02  |
| Food not of animal origin (FNAO)   | 217 |
| Sampled consignments of Peas   | 13  |
| Sampled consignments of tea  | 03  |
| Organic imports  | 12  |
| Melamine/Polyamide imports   | 10  |
| <b>Occupational Health and Safety</b>  |     |
| Face to face contact interventions   | 08  |
| Other interventions  | 0   |
| Visits to investigate incidents (RIDDOR)   | 0   |
| Visits to investigate complaints   | 02  |
| Revisits following an earlier intervention   | 03  |
| HS advice visit  | 0   |
| Immediate Prohibition Notices served   | 02  |
| Improvement notice   | 01  |
| <b>Infectious Disease Control</b>  |     |
| Campylobacter  | 11  |
| Cryptosporidium  | 0   |
| Giardia  | 01  |
| Salmonella   | 03  |
| E coli   | 0   |
| <b>Registration of premises</b>  |     |
| General enquiries  | 04  |
| Registrations of premises  | 05  |
| Registration of person : semi-permanent makeup   | 04  |
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| Registration of person : ear piercing | 02 |
| Registration of person : tattooist    | 02 |
| Registration of Acupuncturist         |    |

Quarterly updates will be provided to Licensing and Environmental Health Committee going forward.

### **Risk Analysis**

8. There are no risks attached to this report