

Report on	The Environmental Health Department's Food Service Plan for 2019/20
Date of Meeting	10 th September 2019
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To inform Members about the Environmental Health Food Service Plan 2019/20.
2.0	Background
2.1	The Food Standards Agency (FSA) requires each competent authority to have an up-to-date, documented Food Service Plan, which is readily available to food business operators (FBOs) and consumers. The plan must be subject to regular review and clearly state the period of time during which the plan has effect.
2.2	The plan must cover all areas of food law that the competent authority has a duty to enforce and set out how it intends to deliver official controls within its area.
2.3	The FSA requires the competent authority to have regard to any advice issued by the FSA in Northern Ireland when drafting the Food Service Plan.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The Food Standards Agency's 'Framework Agreement on Local Authority Law Enforcement' sets out what the FSA expects from local authorities in their delivery of official controls on feed and food law, based on the existing statutory Codes of Practice.
3.2	<p>Therefore, the Environmental Health Food Service Plan for 2019/20 has been developed in order to meet the requirements outlined in the Framework Agreement, and covers in detail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The aims and objectives of the food service • The profile of the Council, including the organisational structure and the scope of the service provided • The ways in which the service will be delivered and the targets for its delivery • The human and financial resources involved in providing the service • The ways in which the quality of the service will be monitored and improved upon • The ways in which the service will be reviewed and improved upon.

3.3	The Food Service Plan also includes a review of the delivery of the food service during the period April 2018 – March 2019.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: N/A
	Human: N/A
	Risk Management: N/A
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	It is recommended that Members note the content of the attached Food Service Plan for 2019/20.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Food Service Plan April 2019 – March 2020 for Mid Ulster District Council's Environmental Health Service.