

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

14 October 2009

Report of the Director of Health and Housing

Part 1- Public

Matters for Recommendation to Council

1 FOOD LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE PLAN

Summary

This report requests that Members consider the Food Law Enforcement Service Plan 2009-2012 and recommend its adoption by Council, in accordance with Part Four of the Council's Constitution.

1.1 Background

1.1.1 The Food Standards Agency (FSA) Framework agreement requires local authorities to produce a service plan. It is against this plan that local authorities are monitored and audited by the FSA.

1.1.2 This Service Plan has been produced as a three year plan and will incorporate an annual review which will be presented to the Local Environmental Management Board.

1.1.3 The Policy Overview Committee has previously considered and endorsed the Plan at their meeting on the 29 September 2009 and I refer Members to the papers of this meeting.

1.2 Legal Implications

1.2.1 The FSA require the Council to produce a Food Safety Service Plan.

1.3 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

1.3.1 The resources to implement the Plan are covered within existing budgets.

1.4 Risk Assessment

1.4.1 Failure to produce a Service Plan could result in criticism from the FSA and would feature in future audit reports on the Council's performance.

1.5 Recommendations

- 1.5.1 Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to ENDORSE the Food Law Enforcement Service Plan 2009-2012 and recommend its adoption to Council.

Background papers:

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Nil

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