



West Northamptonshire Council Trading Standards

FOOD and FEED STANDARDS ENFORCEMENT SERVICE PLAN 2021/22

INTRODUCTION

This Plan outlines how the Trading Standards Service carries out its statutory duties to enforce standards for food and animal feeding stuffs. This includes monitoring the composition, labelling, claims, and descriptions relating to foodstuffs for human consumption, materials and articles in contact with food, and feeding stuffs for livestock and pets.

This has been prepared in accordance with the Food Safety Act 1990 Framework Agreement ^{1(April 2010)} published by the Food Standards Agency (FSA). In this plan 'food' should be read as meaning food for human consumption and 'feed' means animal feeding stuffs.

As a result of available resources within the trading standards service, a risk assessed basis (utilising the National Trading Standards Intelligence Operating Model) has been applied to its responsibilities as the service is unable to meet all the demands placed upon it across its wide remit. This service plan does not meet the requirements set out in the Food and Feed Codes of Practice (England). Where indicated, the plan should be read in conjunction with the trading standards service plan 2021/22 [SP].

1. SERVICE AIMS AND PRIORITIES

1.1 The service's aims and priorities are reviewed annually and may be found in the trading standards service plan. The main aim of the service is to, as far as possible within allocated resources to ensure a safe and fair trading environment in West Northamptonshire. The key priority is to protect our communities, particularly those that are most vulnerable, from rogue trading.

1.2 Corporate objectives and plans
<https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/your-council/corporate-plan>

Food standards work contributes to the council's priorities by protecting people, by helping reputable businesses to meet their responsibilities and enabling them to flourish, by tackling those who flout the law or act irresponsibly to make communities safer, by helping the market place to operate fairly and competitively, enabling consumers, including children, to make informed choices about the food they eat to enable them to stay healthy and safe, and by health promotion activity.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 Profile of the West Northamptonshire
West Northamptonshire Council is a new unitary council which, from 1st April 2021, has taken over the provision of local public service provision from the aggregated councils of Northampton, Daventry & South Northamptonshire, and from the disaggregated Northamptonshire County Council.

The West Northamptonshire Council trading standards service was created from half the disaggregated Northamptonshire County Council trading standards service.

2.2 Organisational Structure

The food and feed enforcement responsibilities are managed within the trading standards service of the council's regulatory services division; see structure chart at Annex 4.

The service now has 13 staff (11.8 full time equivalent). Three enforcement staff (including one contractor) are currently competent and actively involved in food enforcement. One member of staff is competent and actively involved in feed enforcement.

2.3 Scope

Food and feed standards work is only part of the statutory responsibilities enforced by the trading standards service (see list of legislation enforced Annex 3 and the SP). Work is combined with other activities for efficiency and effectiveness.

Statutory public analyst services are provided by Public Analyst Scientific Services Ltd.

2.4 Demands on the food and feed service

The premises risk rating scheme utilised is the revised National Trading Standards Board agreed risk scheme.

The Service maintains a database of all businesses identified as affected by trading standards legislation.

Food Standards Inspection Premises	As at April 2021 premises¹
High Risk ²	12
Upper Medium Risk	106
Lower Medium Risk	2972
Low. Risk	334
Total premises subject to Food Standards Risk	3424

	As at April 2021 premises¹
Animal Feed Premises <i>Livestock and arable farms and other businesses in the feed chain</i>	1576
Registered Establishments ³	568
Approvals	0
Livestock farms	1281

Notes

¹ Numbers will vary throughout the year as the system is updated.

² Risk assessment has been based on the version published by National Trading Standards Board 2013.

3. The numbers include livestock and arable farms, manufacturers, food businesses supplying surplus food for animal feed, and transporters.
Farms register with this service if they request, such as when audited by a Food Assurance Scheme, and farms are registered directly by the service where they are identified as unregistered on inspection/complaint/enquiry.

2.5 Regulation Policy

The service's enforcement policy is published on the service website.

<https://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/business-and-economy/trading-standards/support-for-business/Documents/Trading%20Standards%20Enforcement%20Policy.pdf>

3. Service delivery

Interventions at food and feed establishments

<p>3.1 The authority's policy on interventions</p>	<p>Interventions are in the main visits to businesses for the purpose of inspection and/or sampling of the business to check compliance (frequently encompassing other trading standards legislation that applies including fair trading, age restricted sales, metrology). Recognising the continuity of the food chain it is necessary to consider aspects of animal health and welfare, primary production of food, animal feed, surplus food and animal by-products and food standards that apply to a food or feed business. We work with businesses, offering business advice and primary authority partnerships to assist businesses to improve or maintain their compliance. Intelligence, including complaints, is prioritised for an appropriate response including retaining as intelligence. Businesses are risk assessed according to the method incorporated into the dedicated database, Civica's Authority. This is currently modelled on a risk assessment process designed by the National Trading Standards Board. Premises may have their risk rating raised or lowered according to the assessment of confidence in the business management, which is assessed following inspection or contravention. This year's plan is outlined in Annex 1. Food and animal feed standards enforcement is an integral part of the service and therefore it is not possible to accurately detail financial expenditure for it.</p>
<p>3.2 Food and feed complaints and enquiries</p>	<p>The Citizens Advice Consumer Service is the initial point of contact for most consumer complaints and enquiries on trading standards matters. Appropriate complaints are referred to the service where they are prioritised and may be investigated. We are therefore critically reliant on the availability of that service, and their competence, to identify the nature of the complaint so that it may be correctly prioritised according to our complaint grading policy. The complaint grading policy has been revised to reflect the reduced resources available and will focus on those matters causing most risk and harm. Therefore, food and feed issues affecting the safety of consumers are prioritised over other food and feed complaints. Complaints about food will be dealt with in accordance with the Trading Standards Service Enforcement Policy.</p>

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	<p>The Food Safety Act 1990 Code of Practice directs which complaints are more appropriately dealt with by food safety officers in the environmental health service of West Northamptonshire Council regulatory services. There is a local memorandum of understanding with the environmental health services of West and North Northamptonshire regulatory services to ensure consumer complaints are dealt with appropriately and efficiently.</p>
<p>3.3 Home Authority Principle and Primary Authority Scheme</p>	<p><u>Primary Authority Scheme</u> It is Service policy to comply with the requirements of the Primary Authority scheme where we are the enforcing authority. We have delegated authority to enter into Primary Authority partnerships under the Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Act 2008. The service offers primary authority agreements to eligible businesses, and charges for business advice that extends beyond basic signposting and identification of legal duties. Basic advice is provided to start up and small businesses without charge. The demand is likely to be around 200 enquiries for business advice across the service. The applicable fees are published on our website. http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/tradingstandards The Service does not act as home authority for those businesses who do not wish to enter into a Primary Authority Partnership, however the service will provide advice and guidance on a cost-recovery basis. Any referring authorities with issues concerning non-primary authority businesses are asked to contact the business directly, conclude their own investigations and notify the outcome to this service for intelligence purposes. The intelligence may be used on inspection or other regulatory intervention with the business.</p>
<p>3.4 Advice to Business</p>	<p>The service provides advice to business through inspections, visits, telephone enquiries, occasional mailshots, press releases, the website, and occasional talks. Contact is maintained with the business community by liaising with business organisations. Where appropriate businesses, especially start-up businesses are directed for self-help advice via the Business Companion website, pages on www.gov.uk and the FSA website. More complex issues are dealt with by officers under the business advice policy. The service has contacts with the trade support network 'Made in Northamptonshire' and SEMLEP Growth Hub. It is recognised that some changes in legislation are appropriate for a business seminar approach.</p>
<p>3.5 Food and Feed Sampling</p>	<p>A survey programme is being prepared for 2021-22 for food and feed. There is a budget of £12,000 for all sampling and analysis across WNC trading standards. This budget will be prioritised on a risk assessed basis across all the service's responsibilities. Samples are submitted to the appointed Public and Agricultural Analyst laboratories and occasionally to other test houses where necessary.</p>
<p>3.6 Food and Feed investigations</p>	<p>Contraventions of food standards legislation are assessed using the National Trading Standards Intelligence Operating Model tasking process</p>

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	<p>that considers appropriateness of enforcement action in accordance with relevant policies. Resource commitments for food standards investigations vary according to the nature and complexity of infringements detected.</p>
<p>3.7 Food and Feed Safety Incidents</p>	<p>Food alerts are received through the FSA Smarter Communications interface, which is accessible to all registered food officers, and email contacts from the Food Standards Agency. These are monitored by relevant staff. Relevant alerts requiring action are responded to. The authority liaises with other local authorities, trading standards and environmental health to co-ordinate responses to alerts that relate to food standards, including publicity and communication with traders, as required and as practicable.</p>
<p>3.8 Liaison with Other Organisations</p>	<p>The Service is a member of Trading Standards East Midlands (TSEM) which coordinates work on food standards, feed and agriculture enforcement across the region where it is appropriate to do so. The service also has access to a national 'Knowledge Hub' website for specialist officers related to food labelling and feed matters. Regular contacts are maintained with the North & West Northamptonshire food liaison group, where the seven ex-district council EHOs co-ordinate enforcement of food hygiene and food standards. The trading standards manager attends the WNC regulatory services managers group. Where appropriate, liaison takes place with DEFRA, the FSA, DoH, and the Animal and Plant Health Agency regarding enforcement of animal health and welfare controls and other relevant bodies as appropriate.</p>
<p>3.9 Food and Feed Safety and Standards promotional work, and other non-official controls interventions</p>	<p>The service maintains website links to sources of advice and has previously produced additional guidance, when appropriate, for businesses and consumers as can be found on our website: www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/TSBusiness-support</p> <p>The primary source of business guidance is supplied by CTSI through the Business Companion website https://www.businesscompanion.info/</p> <p>Businesses are directed to Business Companion as well as government websites such as the Food Standards Agency and www.gov.uk to provide consistent guidance.</p> <p>Media releases will be used to promote food standards issues where appropriate. It is service policy to inform the local media of all legal proceedings taken by the service to assist in education of businesses and consumers and to act as a deterrent to those who may act irresponsibly or flout the law.</p> <p>Where appropriate we will seek to liaise with colleagues within West Northamptonshire Council in relation to public health issues relating to food and feed.</p>

4. Resources

<p>4.1 Financial Allocation</p>	<p>Overall resources allocated to the trading standards service are detailed in the service plan. Food and animal feed standards enforcement is an integral part of the service and therefore it is not possible to accurately detail financial expenditure for it. It is estimated that approximately 20% of operational activities will be dedicated to food standards work although this may continue to be affected by business closures due to Covid-19.</p>
<p>4.2 Staffing Allocation</p>	<p>One permanent enforcement staff member is currently actively involved in food and feed enforcement although she is not purely dedicated to food standards enforcement. This officer holds appropriate qualifications and experience, meeting the requirements of Food Safety Act 1990 Code of Practice for food standards and feed enforcement. In addition, a short/medium-term external contracted officer has been employed. From time to time, other qualified officers from within the Service and North Northamptonshire (mutual aid) also contribute to enforcement activities. All enforcement officers within the service are required to undertake a range of trading standards obligations some proportion of which could include food and/or agriculture if suitably trained.</p> <p>One new enforcement officer is currently undertaking the CTSI CPCF and will be undertaking either the food or feed module from September 2021. Longer term, there is also 1 RCO apprentice who will go on to complete the CPCF too, again completing either the food or feed element. There are also 2 vacant posts, an AO and an RCO Apprentice which we will recruit to as soon as permitted.</p> <p>Any business, regardless of business sector, that shows an intentional, reckless, or repeated disregard for the principles of fair or safe trading will be tackled as a matter of priority, where resources allow. The revised FSA Code relating to inspection and business risking will be taken into account when planning activities within the resources available.</p>
<p>4.3 Staff Development Plan</p>	<p>All officers have an annual appraisal with their line manager that identifies their training and development needs. “Refresher” training will be provided for any staff returning to food standards enforcement work. Training will also be given to take account of any new legislation. The Food and Feed Codes of Practice specify revised continuing professional development and training: at least 10 hours relevant to food standards and safety and 10 hours’ professional practice; and 10 hours relevant to feed standards and safety during 2021/22.</p>

5. Quality Assessment

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5.1 Quality assessment and internal monitoring	Procedures relating to all operational activities, including food and feed enforcement will be reviewed as appropriate during 2021/22 as part of the ongoing transformation of local government services in West Northamptonshire.
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6. Review

6.1 Review against the Service Plan	A review of food standards enforcement for 2020/21 [Northamptonshire County Council] is attached as Annex 2.
6.2 Identification of any Variation from the Service Plan	There have been variations from the 2020/21 plan primarily as a result of the Covid-19 Pandemic. Variation has been in line with the prevailing version of National guidance 'COVID-19 Local Authority Enforcement Q&A' issued by the FSA throughout the year.
6.3 Areas of Improvement	The newly created council is embarking on a challenge to transform services in the medium/long term. There are strict financial limitations in which it can work.

FOOD AND FEED STANDARDS INTERVENTION PROGRAMME 2021/22

All High Risk businesses will receive an intervention visit or where appropriate some other kind of contact.

We will carry out a limited programme of food standards inspections and conduct limited sampling surveys taking into account resource availability, and service priorities. Complaints and referrals from the public and other authorities and intelligence received from the Food Standards Agency and other sources assist in identifying areas of work as well as the previous history of compliance.

Limited surveys of particular food business sectors will be conducted to assess compliance with the results being considered as to appropriate further action.

There will be additional consequences not only for the service locally and nationally but the county and country as a whole from the effects of lockdown resulting from a global pandemic of Covid-19. The magnitude of the easing of controls will continue to be felt. This includes an impact on all planned and unplanned interventions as well as an impact on ongoing and future investigations and prosecutions due to the closure of the courts.

Business sectors Food	Activity	Target Numbers of Premises 2021/22
Food Standards (FS) Planned visits – Total		
FS Planned - High Risk	Annual intervention due	100%
FS Planned - Upper Medium Risk Targeted activities across business sectors. Retail – including National chains (having regard to Primary Authority) and other UM risked businesses	Biennial intervention due Intervention by survey inspection or sampling (visits; mailshot to others) across business types	As appropriate in line with FSA Covid-19 recovery period Work will be tasked based on risk assessment and available resources at the relevant time.
FS Planned – Lower Medium and Low Risk	Intervention by survey, sampling particularly regarding allergen information intelligence from complaints. Use of mailshot if appropriate.	Work will be tasked based on risk assessment and available resources at the relevant time.
FS Revisits	As appropriate	
FS responsive – inspections and other interventions to assess Food Standards compliance	Conducted following complaint, intelligence, visits prompted by other regulatory activities etc.	Work will be tasked based on risk assessment and available resources at the relevant time.

Feed visits

	Target – FSA contracted
Manufacturers (A01-8 and R1-4)	0
Co-product (R12)	1
Importer	0
Stores (R9)	1
Distributor (R1-3, R5)	0
Transporter (R8)	0
On farm mixer (R10 and 11)	1
Pet Food Manufacturer (R6)	1
Supplier of surplus food (R7)	6
Food Hygiene at Primary Production	
Livestock Farm (R13)	4
Arable Farm (R14)	1

Farm visits for feed hygiene and/or food primary production may be combined with visits for animal health and welfare complaints or enquiries.

Sampling Activity	Target
Food samples (products submitted for analysis/report)	£3000 budget allocation
Feeding stuffs samples	³ As appropriate

1. Inspections prompted by application for registration under a code that requires Annex II HACCP to be in place. The need for a visit will be assessed individually.
2. The value given is an estimated target; actual numbers of such businesses that should be registered under the feed categories are undetermined.
3. Samples may be taken in response to complaints and investigations.

Work is continuing to improve database accuracy for food and feed premises.

**REVIEW OF FOOD AND FEED SAFETY AND STANDARDS WORK 2020/21
[Northamptonshire County Council]**

Business sectors Food	Activity	Target Numbers of Premises 2020/21	Actual
Food Standards (FS) Planned visits – Total			
FS Planned - High Risk	Annual intervention due	100 (7)	71.4% (5)
FS Planned - Upper Medium Risk (From a total of 146 premises currently) Targeted activities across business sectors. Retail – including National chains (having regard to Primary Authority) and other UM risked businesses	Biennial intervention due Intervention by survey inspection or sampling (visits; mailshot to others) across business types	100% Work based on risk assessment and available resources.	100% (76)
FS Planned – Lower Medium and Low Risk	Intervention by survey, sampling particularly regarding allergen information intelligence from complaints. Use of mailshot if appropriate.	Work based on risk assessment and available resources.	134*
FS responsive – inspections and other interventions to assess Food Standards compliance	Conducted following complaint, intelligence, visits prompted by other regulatory activities etc.	Work based on risk assessment and available resources.	3
Primary Authority and business advice	Labelling reviews, interpretation advice, advice on developing legislation, advertising practice, complaints and incidents.		BA food 26 BA feed 9 PA food 37 PA feed 6
Food and Feed-related complaints	Food Consumer Referred from partners Feed		102 57 41 20

*Includes updating of food premises database.

Feed visits

	Target – FSA contracted	Actual
Manufacturers (A01-8 and R1-4)	0	0
Co-product (R12)	10	8
Importer	0	0
Stores (R9)	1	1
Distributor (R1-3, R5)	0	0
Transporter (R8)	0	0
On farm mixer (R10 and 11)	2	2
Pet Food Manufacturer (R6)	2	2
Supplier of surplus food (R7)	8	6
Food Hygiene at Primary Production		
Livestock Farm (R13)	6	5
Arable Farm (R14)	1	1

Farm visits for feed hygiene and/or food primary production may be combined with visits for animal health and welfare complaints or enquiries.

Sampling Activity	Target	Actual
Food samples (products submitted for analysis/report)		14
Feeding stuffs samples		3

Surveys conducted:

Survey	TOTAL SAMPLES	RESULT TYPES Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
None undertaken due to Covid-19			

1. Food Standards Summary 2020/21 [Northamptonshire County Council]**Background: Staffing**

Following previous cuts, a bid was made to reinvest in the trading standards service during 2020. 8 jobs were advertised in total, for both experienced and new officers. Of the officers applying for the 2 senior authorised posts, 3 of the 5 were food qualified. 2 senior authorised posts were appointed to, 1 of which was food qualified. Of the 2 authorised officers appointed, only 1 was experienced but not food qualified. During a 2nd round of recruitment for an authorised officer, there was only 1 non-

food qualified applicant, who was appointed. To increase capacity, we have secured and retained 2 contract officers who are food qualified. New officers will be required to undertake the food module as part of their qualification.

Background: Local Government Re-organisation

This has been undertaken in the last 12 months while the Covid-19 pandemic has been ongoing. The County Trading Standards Service has been disaggregated across North and West Northamptonshire unitary councils. Management focus has been to ensure that both new services transitioned as a safe and legal authority on vesting day. This also impacted on officers delivering food controls to a lesser extent. The process of transformation will now be undertaken in the next 12- 24months resulting in trading standards becoming part of the new regulatory services.

Background: Brexit

The impact of the EU exit has not yet been felt by the service. There are still dates which may impact on the smaller teams going forward into 2021/22 but they are not as yet quantifiable.

Background: Covid-19 outbreak and Intervention visits

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic the need for routine food standards inspections was evaluated in light of prevailing FSA Guidance as it developed throughout the year. The prioritisation advised by FSA was found to be very much in line with our own vigilant management of scarce resources following service cutbacks in recent years.

Issues dealt with in 2020/21 included:

Formal investigations concluded

- Op Nightingale – a prosecution resulting from a complaint of an allergic reaction to a takeaway meal requested to be peanut free; sentencing was postponed until November 2020 due to the COVID-19 national lockdown. The company and director pleaded guilty at the first hearing. The Company was fined £10,000 and the Director received a 4 months' custodial sentence, suspended for 24 months, with 40 hours' community service to be completed within 12 months. Costs of £5,500 were awarded. The case received local media coverage which was picked up and shared by the campaign group 'Allergy Action'.
- Op Aldaniti – Company & director signed a Simple Caution in June 2020 [due to a recognition of the issues and instigation of more robust controls] having sold takeaway meal requested to be egg-free but found to contain egg during an allergen project undertaken by the service in late 2019.
- Incident 365955 – a serious allergen incident involving a schoolchild with multiple allergen diet requirements during a lunchtime in November 2020. The investigation closed in April 2021 inconclusive beyond all reasonable doubt as to the cause or the offender.

Formal investigations in progress

Two investigations are continuing, both relate to Food businesses in North Northamptonshire:

- Op Australia an investigation resulting from the allergen project work after business advice had been given previously. Milk was found to be present in a meal requested to be milk-free. The Company are pleading not guilty, and the case is scheduled to be heard in February 2022.
- Incident 369416 investigation resulting from a complaint of an allergic reaction to a takeaway meal requested to be milk-free in March 2021.

Food Alerts for Action

Only one was received [Ref: FSA-FAFA-01-2021] during the year and any action necessary was taken.

Supporting businesses

This Service operates the Primary Authority Partnership Scheme. Northamptonshire County Council have 21 food PA Partnerships.

- 37 requests for advice for food and 6 for feed were completed in 2020/21
- 26 requests for food and 9 for feed were completed from business requesting non PA business advice.

Officers working from home during the pandemic were able to allocate more time to reviewing the trading standards premise database and updating it with information from food business operator's registrations from all areas of the county, clearing the backlog of over 600 outstanding registrations.

1. Feed Summary

Feed hygiene, together with hygiene requirements in the primary production of food, continue to be the focus of animal feed interventions. It is closely related to farm animal health and welfare complaints and they are often considered together. The pandemic brought a slow start to the planned inspections. In-line with the Food Standards Agency guidelines and the County Councils risk assessments, visits were carried out remotely which was a new way of working for all. A number of the visits required a focussed follow up onsite visit and remain to be completed in 2021/2022. The requests for registration dipped slightly as there were fewer inspections carried out by the assurance schemes (which often prompt registrations). There was however a slight increase of small pet food manufacturers and some businesses requiring registration as a result of EU Exit.

LEGISLATION ENFORCED

West Northamptonshire Council has a statutory duty to enforce the majority of consumer protection and fair trading legislation. Additional legislation is enforced where it contributes to achieving the aims and objectives of the Service and Unitary Council. The Service enforces over 70 Acts of Parliament, over 1000 associated Regulations and Orders, and a substantial range of directly applicable EC regulations under the European Communities Act 1972.

Accommodation Agencies Act 1953
Administration of Justice Act 1970
Agriculture Act 1970
Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1968
Agricultural Produce (Gradings and Marking) Acts 1928 and 1931
Animal Health Act 1981
Animal Health Act 2002
Animal Welfare Act 2006
Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003
Business Names Act 1985
Cancer Act 1939
Children and Families Act 2014 (in respect of Sections 91 to 94 only)
Children and Young Persons Act 1933
Children and Young Persons (Protection from Tobacco) Act 1991
Clean Air Act 1993
Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005
Climate Change Act 2008 (in respect of Single Use Carrier Bag charges only)
Companies Act 2006
Consumer Credit Acts 1974 and 2006
Consumer Protection Act 1987
Consumer Rights Act 2015
Control of Pollution Act 1974
Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988
Criminal Justice Act 1988 (in respect of sales of knives to young people)
Development of Tourism Act 1969
Dogs Act 1906
Education Reform Act 1988
Energy Act 1976
Energy Conservation Act 1981
Enterprise Act 2002
Estate Agents Act 1979
Explosives Acts 1875.
Explosives (Age of Purchase etc.) Act 1976
Fair Trading Act 1973
Farm and Garden Chemicals Act 1967
Fireworks Act 2003
Food Act 1984
Food and Environment Protection Act 1985
Food Safety Act 1990
Forgery and Counterfeiting Act 1981
Fraud Act 2006

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Hallmarking Act 1973

Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 (relating to explosives, petroleum and the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances)

Housing Act 2004

Insurance Brokers (Registration) Act 1977

Intoxicating Substances (Supply) Act 1985

Knives Act 1997

Licensing Act 1964

Licensing Act 2003

London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games Act 2006

Medicines Act 1968

Malicious Communications Act 1988

Motor Cycle Noise Act 1987

Motor Vehicles (Safety Equipment for Children) Act 1991

National Lottery etc. Act 1993

Offensive Weapons Act 1996

Olympic Symbol etc. (Protection) Act 1995

Performing Animals (Regulation) Act 1925

Petroleum (Consolidation) Act 1928

Petroleum (Transfer of Licences) Act 1936

Prices Act 1974.

Proceeds of Crime Act 2002

Protection from Harassment Act 1997

Protection of Animals Act 1911

Public Health Acts 1936 and 1961

Road Traffic Act 1988

Road Traffic (Foreign Vehicles) Act 1972

Solicitors Act 1974

Telecommunications Act 1984

Theft Acts 1968 and 1978

Timeshare Act 1992

Tobacco Advertising and Promotion Act 2002

Trade Descriptions Acts 1968

Trade Marks Act 1994

Unsolicited Goods and Services Acts 1971 and 1975

Video Recordings Acts 1984 and 1993

Weights and Measures Act 1985

Any orders or Regulations or other instruments (whether dated before or after the date of execution of this delegation) i) made thereunder or ii) having effect by virtue of the European Communities Act 1972 (where such orders or Regulations specify the Unitary Council as having an enforcement duty (including references to a feed authority, food authority and local weights and measures authority))

Any offence under legislation, or at common law, which is of a similar nature including offences of aiding, abetting, counselling and procuring, incitement, conspiracy, perverting the course of justice, criminal attempts, assisting or encouraging another person to commit an offence or participation in a crime.

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