

COUNCIL

Agenda Item 84

30 April 2009

Brighton & Hove City Council

EXTRACT FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY SAFETY OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 23 MARCH 2009

Subject:	Official Feed and Food Controls Service Plan 2009-10		
Date of Meeting:	30 April 2009 23 April 2009 Cabinet		
Report of:	Acting Director of Strategy & Governance		
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Wards Affected:	All		

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ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY SAFETY OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

4.00PM 23 MARCH 2009

COUNCIL CHAMBER
HOVE TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Present: Councillor Morgan (Chairman); Councillor Janio (Deputy Chairman),
Councillors Davey, Davies, Drake, Kennedy, Older and Smart.

*60. HEALTH & SAFETY ANNUAL SERVICE PLAN 2009-10

- 60.1 The Head of Environmental Health and Licensing introduced the report and addressed members' queries and comments.
- 60.2 The Chairman said he felt that it was a very important report, particularly given the nature of our local service economy; confidence in food safety standards was paramount.
- 60.3 A member asked about the regulations that covered food production. The Head of Environmental Health and Licensing explained that these were generally covered by a number of other inspectorates; however, Brighton and Hove City Council proactively worked with and advised local partnerships including the Local Food Partnership.

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60.4 Members complimented the team on their 92% rating in businesses that were broadly compliant with food hygiene standards, and asked about the 8% of food businesses that were not complying with the food hygiene standards. The Head of Environmental Health and Licensing explained that there had been a significant increase in food hygiene standards since the introduction of the Scores on the Doors scheme, and the department would focus its efforts on non-compliant businesses, carrying out spot checks, unannounced visits etc. Some of the businesses would close themselves, others might be closed, whilst others might be prosecuted.

60.5 **RESOLVED** – that the Committee commend and support the Scores on the Doors work, and that resources should continue to be provided to support the service and the materials that it produces.