

To: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE	Subject: Summer Food Watch Campaign - Report
From: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	
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PROPOSED DECISION

To note the report

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION

The costs of the Campaign have been met from the Department's Overtime Budget.

REPORT

Members will recall from the last Environmental Services Committee meeting that the Department's environmental health officers targeted fast food outlets and other food businesses operating in the evenings to assess the food safety standards at times outwith the normal hours proprietors would expect to be routinely inspected.

This exercise has been continued in recent weeks and to date a further 96 premises have been visited, 72 takeaway restaurants, 20 restaurants and 4 hotels.

None of the premises have been found in such an unsatisfactory condition that they required to be closed or the proprietors prosecuted, however, 34 of the premises were unsatisfactory in that some contraventions of the Food Safety (General Food Hygiene) Regulations, 1995 were noted. Advice to the proprietors was imparted by the officers and follow up visits were carried out where appropriate.

Sixty two of the premises visited were found to be generally satisfactory.

The Department will continue to take any enforcement measures deemed necessary to ensure that satisfactory standards prevail in all food related premises.

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